

# Children's Family Matters

## **Family Resource Center**

Children's Wisconsin-Marshfield Family Resource Center provides a variety of opportunities for families. It is a place where you can come together and build a community that supports children and families who live in and around Marshfield. We offer a wide-range of educaopportunities, provide families with fun activities that support family bonding and work to create a community that supports one another. If you are looking for something to keep your little ones busy while making learning fun, please join us for one of our wonderful programs. All Play and Learn Activities are free of charge!

**Children's Wisconsin- Family Resource Center** 

503 S. Cherry Avenue

Suite 4

Marshfield, Wisconsin 54449

(715) 387-6310

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Check us out on Facebook or give us a call to find out information regarding program updates and program cancellations. To ensure everyone's safety—when schools close due to inclement weather- our programs will be cancelled!

January 2024—April 2024



#### Warmline

This is your 24 hour non-emergency parenting information line. We will provide you parenting advice regarding the day-to-day trials of child rearing. Email - MarshfieldFRC@ChildrensWl.org

Call - (715) 387-6310

#### Parent Chat

Parents can schedule private, individual sessions with a staff member who will provide you parenting information and support. We are also happy to connect you with various resources in our community.

> Email - MarshfieldFRC@ChildrensWl.org Call - (715) 387-6310

### **Lending Library**

The Family Resource Center maintains a lending library which offers a wide variety of parenting information. Books, pamphlets, videos, and handouts are available on topics such as personal development, communication, pregnancy, stress, step-families, divorce, behavior techniques, and more.

Stop by to check it out or call (715) 387-6310



## **PLAY AND LEARN**

Parents and caregivers are a child's first and most important teachers. Take this opportunity to connect with others who have children by engaging in free play as well as participating in some structured fun. Active participation in early learning activities will enhance your child's development and promote school readiness. We plan to share some great ideas with you! These Play and Learn events are Free of Charge and there is No Need to Register—

#### Pajama Day!

Holidays are exhausting for adults and children, come join us in your pajamas for some books, comforting snacks, and some laid back play.

Tuesday, January 2, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Sort It Out**

We will focus on cognitive development while we learn early math skills like sorting and organizing by shape, color, or size.

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Bug Hunt!**

Bug and spiders are everywhere! Help us find the hidden bugs in the playroom while using our problem solving skills.

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

#### Over the Rainbow

The rainbow isn't somewhere...it's here! Let's create rainbows in the snow and imagine warmer weather!

Dress warm as we will be heading outside to create art!

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#### January 2024—April 2024

#### Be a Hero!

Learn about heroes who are all around us. We will make thank you cards using various art mediums! Come as you are or dress up like your hero!

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

#### Birds of a Feather

Let's flock together to create a simple birdfeeder for our feathered friends as we learn about nature.

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Funny Valentine**

Let's read books and create art! Kids can create valentines for their families or loved ones. We will trace, glue, and color using our fine motor skills. Wear pink or red clothing today!

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Leap Frog Leap!**

Show me your best froggy jump! Let's make frog art and use some motor skills to act like frogs!

Tuesday, February 20, 2023 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### Sam I Am

We will not be eating green eggs and ham but will celebrate Dr. Seuss by reading his books and doing a craft!

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

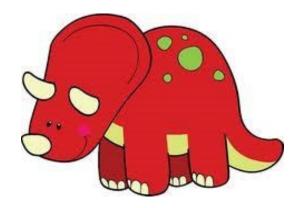
## PLAY AND LEARN continued

#### January 2024— April 2024



Today is a blue day, let's wear blue and read about feelings as we do some fun projects to strengthen social emotional skills in our children! By the end of the fun we'll be yellow sunshine!

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449



#### A Pot of Gold!

We are lucky to celebrate our little ones! Let's wear green! We will learn about counting our pots of gold!

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 - Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Spring Has Sprung!**

Winter is so long but we're thinking about blooms! Let's create flower art and celebrate the first day of Spring!

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 -Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Dino Dig**

The dinosaurs have run away to the sensory bins. We need help digging them up! Wiggle your fingers and enjoy some sensory play!

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Thinking Space**

Let's reach for the stars! We'll learn about space while we reach, stretch, and use mindfulness activities.

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Chicks and Eggs**

Let's dance to chicken songs and create chicken art! We will make and shake some eggs...but first we have to find them!

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Painted Pots!**

Let's paint some pots to plant a flower or vegetable in! We'll use motor skills and creativity to create art!.

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### I've Been Socked!

Our socks are all mixed up! Let's learn about matching by making pairs! Wear funny or mismatched socks as we develop cognitive skills.

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 9:30am-11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4 -Marshfield, WI 54449

#### Dig It!

Now that our pots are dry from painting, let's fill them. We'll plant with dirt, seeds, and start a new generation of gardeners by having fun and learning about nature!

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## **Family Events**

Family Events offer opportunities for families to come together and bond during structured activities.

The activities promote and strengthen the bond within families, build support, and encourage family success. We hope you can join us for one or more of our Family Events. Come learn and explore with us!

Registration is required for Family Events

Email - MarshfieldFRC@ChildrensWl.org
Or Call - (715) 387-6310

#### **Family Tubing Night**

Join us for a night of sledding and outdoor wonder at Bruce Mound Winter Sports Area!

Please register for this event by calling (715) 284-3001.

Thursday, January 25, 2024 5:00pm- 7:30pm N791 Bruce Mound Avenue, Merillan, WI 54754

#### **Finger Frenzy**

Come enjoy making art with your little ones! We will be throwing down a tarp and finger-painting...hopefully on paper! Enjoy messy play.

Thursday, February 8, 2024 10:00am—11:00am 503 S. Cherry Ave. Suite 4- Marshfield, WI 54449

#### **Conscious Discipline In-Service**

Jaki Winch, Early Childhood-Special Education Teacher, will be presenting this in-service. It will cover techniques to implement in the classroom, songs and rhymes to teach connections and conflict resolution in a fun way, and information on seven skills. This is great for parents at home, too!

Handouts will be provided. All you need is your positive attitude and willingness to participate. Eligible for five certification hours.

Contact Jaki Winch at winchj@marshfieldschools.org for registration by April 12 with your name and age you work with.

Wednesdays: April 17 <u>AND</u> April 24 6:00pm-8:30pm Madison Elementary 510 N. Palmetto Ave., Marshfield, WI 54449

#### January 2024—April 2024

#### **Parenting Classes**

Parenting can be such a rewarding opportunity, but it certainly comes with its challenges. Virtual and in person parenting classes offer opportunities for parents to come together and explore options to overcome parenting challenges and learn new tricks. Call to register- we look forward to hearing from you.

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#### We're Popping Up!

The Marshfield Family Resource Center will begin doing pop-up play groups in partnership with the **Stratford Branch of the Marathon County Public Library**. We will get to do fun activities while learning. Come join us for the following events at:

Stratford Branch of the Marathon County Public Library 213201 Scholar Street, Stratford WI 54484

Monday, January 29, 2024 10:30 am It's Frosty Inside!

Children can create snowmen art and read books about the weather and surroundings.

Monday, February 26, 2024 10:30 am Stampin' Fun

Children can develop their cognitive and motor skills by creating art with stamps.

Monday, March 25, 2024 10:30 am Sensory Play

Children can immerse their fingers in different types of sensory bins. Water, sand, and other textures enhance playtime!

Monday, April 22, 2024 10:30 am Fishin for Fun!

Children can enjoy some indoor fishing. The children will fish with magnetic fishing poles in an activity that helps with both motor skills and color identification!

Children's WI staff will be available after each event to speak with parents and caregivers about parenting and developmental questions.

Staff can recommend community services and resources as well.