

Child Find Program Monthly Newsletter

August 2026



Please contact Christina Schaumburg, Child Find Coordinator at: 845-360-6652 or CMSchaumburg@orangecountygov.com

- Ask questions/receive information about child development
- Receive a free developmental screening
- Make a referral to the program

Under the Early Intervention Program, Child Find is for children 0-3 years who are at risk of a developmental delay. This is a free and voluntary program to monitor a child's development.



Early Help Makes a Difference!

Free Playgroups & Library Programs

Parent/Child Playgroup



Run by Orange County Department of Health in collaboration with the Newburgh Armory Unity Center

EVERY TUESDAY

10:00 - 11:30

Newburgh Armory Unity Center
321 S William St.
Newburgh, NY 12550



Enjoy hands-on play time activities with your child. Connect with local resources and other families in your community. Designed for ages 0-5 years.



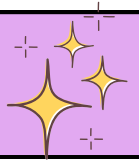
Happy,
August

Summer means happy times and beautiful sunshine! Enjoy the outdoor time with your family ♥





Registration for this event will be closing on
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH



ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
THE NEWBURGH ARMORY UNITY CENTER

SUMMER Celebration

 **FREE**

JOIN US!



MUSIC, GAMES, PLAY CENTERS,
CRAFTS, LOCAL AUTHORS,
Lunch, AND MORE!



LOCATION:

NEWBURGH ARMORY UNITY CENTER
321 SOUTH WILLIAM ST. NEWBURGH, NY 12550

There are two days based upon different age groups.
Please register for the appropriate day based upon the age of the child.

**FOR CHILDREN AGES 0-5
& THEIR PARENTS/
ADULT CAREGIVER**

**Tuesday, August 18th
10am-2pm**

Lunch will be served between
11:30am-12:30pm.
Please register for this event using this
QR code:



<https://forms.uniqo.de/yXvyPh>

**FOR CHILDREN AGES 6-12
& THEIR PARENTS/
ADULT CAREGIVER**

**Wednesday, August 19th
10am-2pm**

Lunch will be served between
11:30am-12:30pm.
Please register for this event using this
QR code:



<https://forms.uniqo.de/cFFcjO>



This event is for All Abilities. For accommodations call 845-360-6630.

Funding by NYS Office of Family and Children
Services and the Orange County Youth Bureau

Port Jervis Library
138 Pike St,
Port Jervis, NY 12771
(845) 856-7313

Sensory PLAY Friday

The First Friday
of the Month
10:30am - 12:30pm

at the Port Jervis Free Library

STORY TIME WEDNESDAYS

KIDS 3-5 10:15 AM

KIDS 0-3 11:15 AM



Bilingual Storytime : 3-5 year olds with Parents



Every Thursday, 4:00-4:30

This is a DROP IN program.
Bienvenidos to a storytime in
Spanish and English. We read a
book, learn new words and do a fun
craft after the cuenta.

**Goshen Public Library & Historical
Society**

366 Main St. Goshen, NY 10924
845-294-6606



middletown recreation

A Music Class for Littles

Let's make some noise for the ones twos and threes

You & your little with the Middletown Recreation
Department staff will enjoy song and movement to
create and foster a curiosity for all things *MUSIC!*

Singing, dancing, moving and exploring music with age-
appropriate instruments!

TUESDAYS!

NO COST *MUST PRE-REGISTER*

2 MONTHS TO 2 YEARS
10:00A-10:30A

25 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS
10:45A-11:15A

10 PARTICIPANT MAX

Middletown Recreation Campus Community Room
393 County Route 78
10:00a-10:45a



<https://secure.rec1.com/NY/middletown-ny/catalog>

Family Play Time: Parent Child Workshop



Wednesdays

10:00 AM | Newburgh Armory

Spend the morning playing and exploring with your child! Each
week we'll meet at the Newburgh Armory Unity Center with a
variety of toys for your child to enjoy while a local professional
walks around answering any questions you may have on different
topics related to child development.

Register for
a reminder
email:



NEWBURGH
ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Music and Movement with the Littlest Learners

Thursday, August 6

Ages 0-2

9:30am - 10:15am

Ages 3-5

10:30am - 11:15am

This class is designed for parents and their children to engage with music to help nurture and build a foundation for musical growth and aptitude. The class will include bounces, wiggles, tickles, simple songs, and lullabies collected from a variety of cultures.

Registration is required.

 **MIDDLETOWN THRALL LIBRARY**

Middletown Thrall Library
11 Depot Street
Middletown, New York 10940
845-341-5470

**Make reading part of
your baby's daily routine.**




Orange County, NY
Department of Health
Intervention Services Division
845-360-6630

**Read aloud every day
and
start right away!**

REC & CONNECT OPEN-PLAYDATES

A WELCOMING SPACE FOR TOTS, PARENTS, AND COMMUNITY

WHO: 4 & UNDER WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

WHEN: FRIDAYS! JUNE 5TH 19TH AND 26TH
JULY 10TH 24TH AND 31ST
AUGUST 7TH 21ST AND 28TH

TIME: 9:30A TO 10:15A

WHERE:

MIDDLETOWN RECREATION CAMPUS GYMNASIUM
393 COUNTY ROUTE 78 MIDDLETOWN, NY 10940



NO COST, JUST PRE-REGISTER!
MAX 25 PARTICIPANTS!



See page 6 for some exciting
news about a brand-new
space for your child to:



**READ
LEARN &
GROW**



Music and Movement for the Littlest Learners

MONDAY, AUGUST 13TH

**11AM
FOR AGES 0-3**

**2PM
AGES 3-5**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Moffat Library
6 West Main Street
Washingtonville, NY 10992
845 496-5483

PARENT/CHILD STAY & PLAY

Explore, learn, and create!



MIDDLETOWN RECREATION CAMPUS

393 COUNTY ROUTE 78
MIDDLETOWN, NY 10940

10:00A TO 10:45A

4 AND UNDER!

SELECT FRIDAYS;



**MAY 1ST, 2026 "FLOWERS!"
WITH INFINITE HEART INITIATIVE**

**JUNE 12, 2026 "SUNSHINE!"
WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
BUILDING HEALTHY HABITS**



**JULY 17, 2026 "ZOO"
WITH ORANGE COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU**

**AUGUST 14, 2026 "WATER"
WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
BUILDING HEALTHY HABITS**



a welcoming, interactive environment
specially designed for special sensory
seeking kids and children with autism or
other sensory integration challenges.

All abilities welcome!



space limited! no cost!

must pre-register online!

PARTNERING WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS!

We believe in working closely with families to
support each child's learning journey.
It takes a village.

We celebrate every milestone together.
We will be inviting different city partners and
local organizations as guests to join us on with
this venture. Interested in your nonprofit,
organization,
or group joining us, contact us today!



[www.https://secure.rec1.com/NY/middletown-ny/catalog](https://secure.rec1.com/NY/middletown-ny/catalog)

845-346-4180



Create a love for reading in your child.
Read aloud to them at least once a day!



**125
Years**
**Middletown
Thrall Library**

1901-2026

Special
performance by
Master
Storyteller
Jonathan Kruk!

SAVE THE DATE!
SATURDAY,
AUGUST 29, 2026

Join Middletown Thrall Library and celebrate
our community at the 125th Anniversary Open
House!

10am - 2pm
11 Depot Street

Free Family Community Events

LITTLE LEARNERS LITERACY COLLECTION



**Grand Opening
Tuesday, August 4 at 9am**

Welcome to the Little Learners: Literacy Collection at the **Newburgh Armory Unity Center (NAUC)**! In collaboration with the NAUC and the Orange County Dept. of Health, the Newburgh Free Library will be offering a special collection of early literacy books for children ages 0-5. Join us for a new reading and play space for families with children of all abilities!

- ✓ New 0-5 Early Childhood Literacy Section
- ✓ Special Baby Library Card Program



Newburgh Armory Unity Center
321 S William St, Newburgh, NY



*Including a Parent
Resource Corner!*

Books, brochures, and educational resources on child development, developmental disabilities, etc.



Healthy Orange Farmers' Market Kids Day

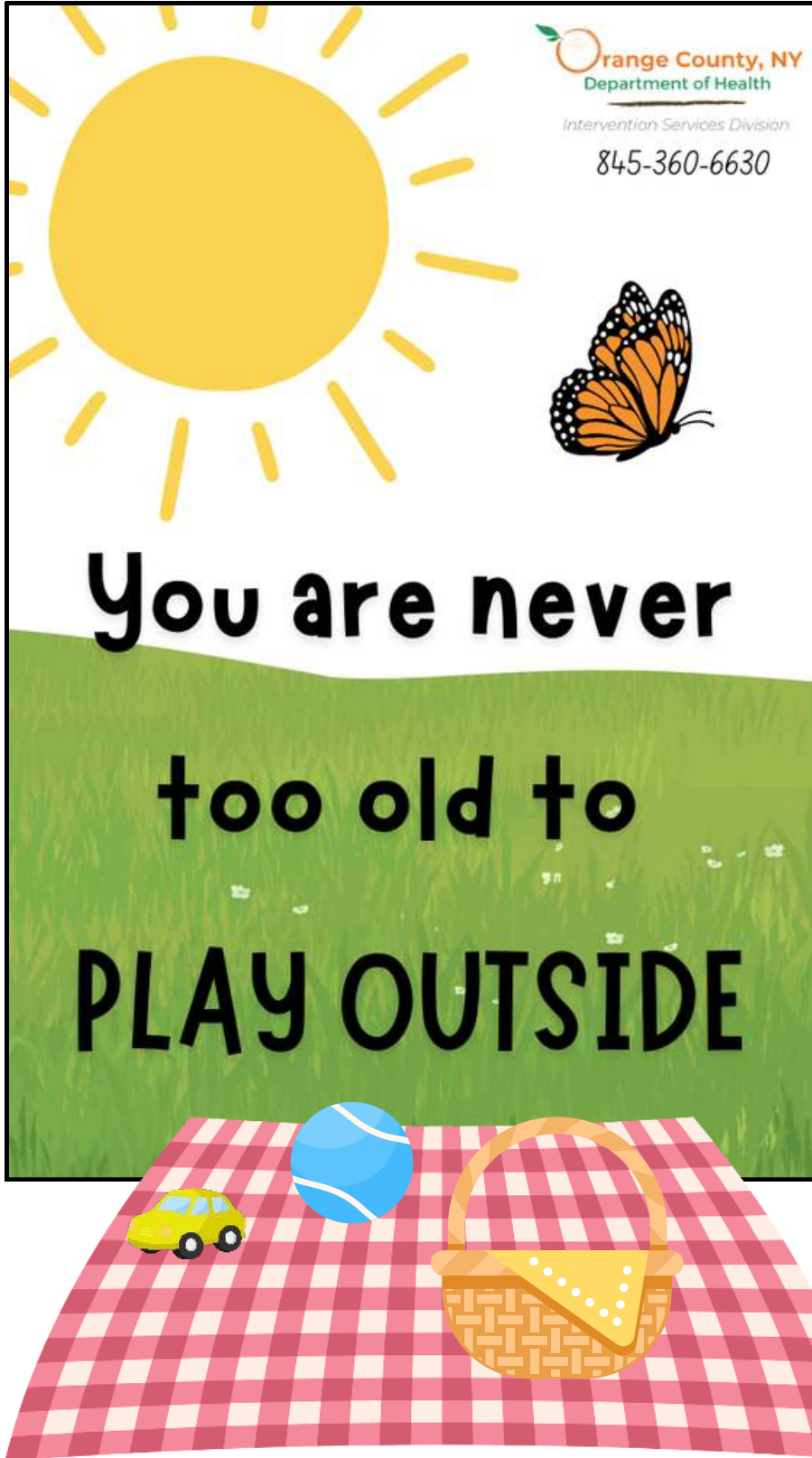


Tuesday, 8/11 10am-2pm
The Broadway Green Lot
Between Lander & Johnston St,
Newburgh

**Children's Activities,
Fun & Music!**



Resources, Trainings, & More



Now is the perfect time of year to have a picnic!

LOOKING FOR CHILD CARE?



The Child Care Council of Orange County, Inc.

Their purpose is to coordinate, assist, strengthen, and expand child care in Orange County for all children.

845-294-4012

40 Matthews Street, Suite 103 Goshen, NY 10924

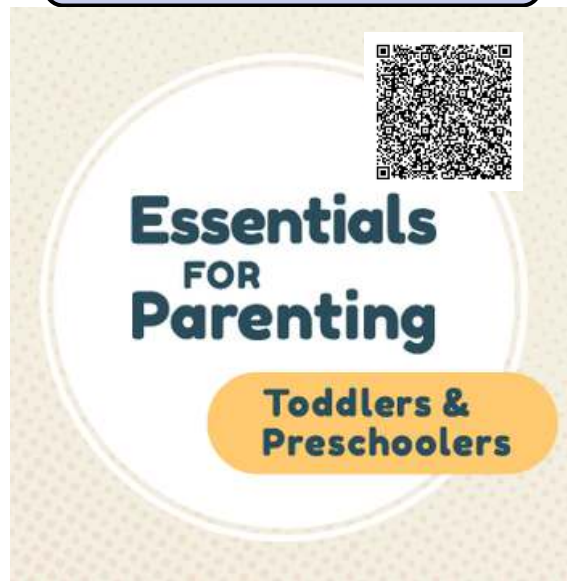
911 Registry

Ensuring Safety & Support for All

This free service is designed for children and adults with developmental disabilities. It provides families and caregivers with a way to submit important information about the individual to be entered into the 911 system. This helps first responders understand how to approach your loved one in an emergency, especially if they may react differently to loud sirens, alarms, or physical touch when overwhelmed.



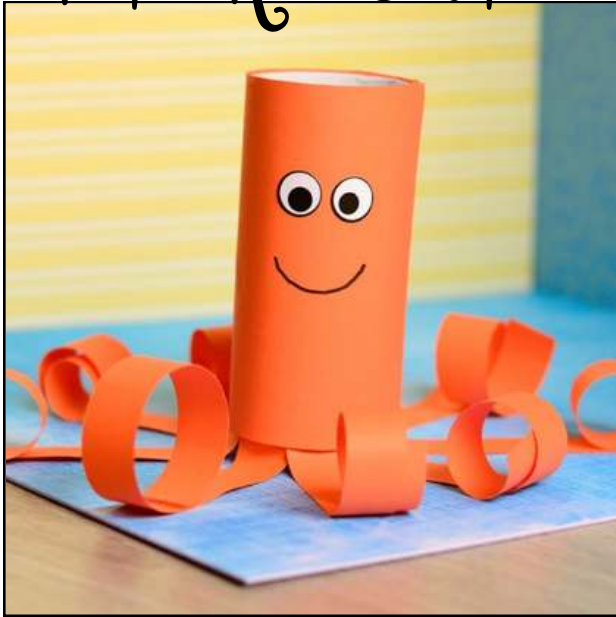
Free, online resource for parents and caregivers of children between the ages of two and four years.



Crafts/Keepsakes & Sensory Play



Paper Roll Octopus



Save your
paper rolls
for crafting!



Paint in a Bag



Handprint Jellyfish



Before you do any activity with your child, *model* it for them. This means that you do the activity yourself so that your child can see how it is done. Be sure to give a verbal explanation of what you are doing, as your child is watching you.

If your child is not able to do the activity on their own, you can take their hand and guide it for them. This is called *hand-over-hand assistance*. For example, your child may need hand-over-hand assistance to paint until they learn how to hold the paintbrush themselves.



Don't mind the mess. We are making memories!

All of these activities will focus on your child's fine motor and sensory skills

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AT A GLANCE 0-3 YEARS

Your child's doesn't need
a perfect parent-
just a present one.



The little moments?
They aren't little.

2-4 month Milestones

- Smiles when you talk to him/her
- Makes sounds other than crying
- Holds head up when on tummy
- Looks at toys for several seconds
- Uses arms to swing at toys
- Turns head toward the sound of your voice
- Looks at hands with interest

Talk & sing to your baby



Spend time
cuddling & holding
your baby



6-9 month Milestones

- Bangs two objects together
- Gets to a sitting position
- Smiles or laughs when you play games like peek-a-boo
- Makes squealing noises
- Puts things in his/her mouth to explore them
- Rolls from tummy to back
- Knows familiar people

Encourage your baby to move by placing
toys slightly out of reach



Read to your baby every day

12-15 month Milestones

- Understands "no"
- Pulls to stand, may take a few steps
- Shows you affection
- Picks things up between thumb and pointer finger
- Puts/takes things in/out of container
- Calls parent "mama" "dada"
- Tries to use things the right way, like a phone, cup, or book

Allow your child to help
with everyday activities
such as grabbing socks
and shoes, cleaning,
laundry, etc.



Point to, and tell your child
the names of objects

MILESTONES-Things most children can do by a certain age

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AT A GLANCE 0-3 YEARS



The notifications will keep coming.
These moments won't.

18-24 months

- Copies you doing chores
- Begins to say two words together
- Runs
- Tries to use a spoon
- Points to at least two body parts
- Looks to see your reaction in new situations
- Holds something in one hand while using the other



Encourage pretend play

Use positive words & give praise for behaviors that you want to see

30-36 months

- Plays next to or with other children
- Uses hands to twist things like lids
- Avoids touching hot objects
- Says about 50 words & can have a small conversation with you
- Talks well enough for others to understand
- Follows directions that involve two steps
- Jumps off the ground with both feet

Set simple & clear rules that your child can follow



Talk about your child's emotions and put words to them



Through the CDC website, you can access developmental milestone checklists, video clips, and parenting tips.



To access all of this on your phone, download the **FREE** Milestone Tracker App!

Milestone Tracker App Preview



CDC Developmental Milestones

