

Crystal Coast Family

Everyone is Welcome Here



Goodbye Fall. Hello Winter!

Winter officially begins on Saturday, December 21st. Fall flew by. Don't worry though, there is plenty of fun for your family to have on the Crystal Coast all year long.

Find out where to drop into the New Year below! For more fun ideas visit crystalcoastfamily.com and *Crystal Coast Family* on Facebook & Instagram.

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CRAB POT DROP

Watch the fire department drop the kid's crab pot drop and children's activities from 5-6pm at Big Rock Landing. Big Crab Pot Drop and Fireworks at Midnight.

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BUCCANEER'S NEW YEAR'S EVE

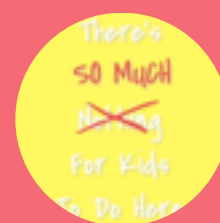
Centered in John Newton Park, Beaufort. Hot cocoa, s'mores and more beginning at 5pm. Captain Shack Pirate Drop at 7pm.

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NEWPORT PIG DROP

Meet at the Newport Community Park beginning at 5pm for s'more's (weather permitting), hot chocolate, and cookies.

Have you checked out the website yet?



CrystalCoastFamily.com

Easily locate information about PreSchools & DayCares, Sports and other Organized Extracurricular Activities, Meet Local Families, Find out about Local Story Times, Find a Summer Camp, Book Your Swim Lessons, Find Resources, and Shop Local For Your Family.



Find a playground. Learn about annual family friendly events on the Crystal Coast. Get in the water. Go on a kid-friendly adventure. Go on an adults only adventure. Plan your next birthday party or special family event. Print a free printable!

Fun Day Trips!

Our Crystal Coast has so much to offer, but sometimes it's fun to get out of town.

New Bern Fireman's Museum

Located in New Bern. Free admission for ages 5 and under.

Aurora Fossil Museum

Located in Aurora. Donation only and *free* for aquarium members. Take the *free* Cherry Branch Ferry. Plan to dig. Make sure to pack snacks and drinks!

NC Aquarium at Fort Fisher

Located in Kure Beach just outside of Wilmington. Plan some time to play at the outdoor playground.

Altitude Jump Park

Located in Jacksonville. Try Toddler Time on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays from 10am-1pm.

MegaPlay

Located in Jacksonville. An indoor playground designed specifically to keep your children happy and active for hours.

Marbles

Children's Museum located in downtown Raleigh. Hours of imaginative play!

Museum of Life & Science

Located in Durham. This is my son's favorite! Lot's of hands-on activities, an outdoor Treehouse, a butterfly release twice daily, a farm, train, and more. Plan to spend the day.



*And, of course you can play your winter days away locally at: **MacDaddy's**, our local **NC Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores**, **SEA & PLAY**, the **NC Maritime Museum**, **BattleWorks**, and More! See, there is plenty for your family to do all year long on and around the Crystal Coast! Sometimes it just takes a little planning.*

“Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is time for home.”

WANT TO PLAY?

Join the *free* Story Explorers program. Try the \$5 Open Playdates at Crystal Coast AllStars in Morehead on Thursdays from 10am-12pm. Find a new playground! Attend a *free* Story Time at one of our Local Libraries. Play at SEA & PLAY. Sign up for a “Mommy & Me” Exercise on Mondays at Downtown Barre. Check out Crystal Coast MOPs or Swansboro MOPs & MOMSnext. And, there's always Chick Filet!

Connect online by joining a Local Facebook Group or Page: Crystal Coast Family, Coastal Mamas, Crystal Coast Playgroups, Walk & Talk Moms, Dashing Divas, The 252 Rocks, and more.

