

MILFORD FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

The Infant and Toddler Times

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*Dates to
Remember*

January

7th. Playgroups begin

21st. Martin Luther King
Day observed.
Center closed



Now that wintertime is upon us, playgroups are cancelled if there is a delayed opening or school closing. You can find this information on the milforded.org website, as well as local radio stations, such as WICC 600 and television stations, such as channel 6 and 8 and cablevision channel 12.

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Resource Center
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Come Join Us at the Milford Family Resource Center.... for fun and so much more!

During the years between birth and kindergarten there are important times when specific kinds of learning must take place for children to develop to their fullest. The Milford Family Resource Center can help you to capture those windows of opportunity so your child starts school ready to learn.

The mission of the Milford Family Resource Center is to provide timely information, support, and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.

With this mission in mind, certified parent educators provide advice and support on parenting issues using the Parents As Teachers research-based early childhood information. One way this information, support and encouragement is offered is through the key component of our program, the personal visit. These visits provide an opportunity to discuss the specific development of their children.

This free service for Milford residents can take place at the Family Resource Center or at your home.

In addition, we offer daily playgroups based on the age of the children. A distinguishing feature of the Family Resource Center playgroups is their facilitation by the certified parent educators with qualifications and experience in early childhood and working with families with children. The playgroups create opportunities for relationships to be enhanced between parents and caregivers and their children. Information about the Connecticut Early Learning Development Standards is available to all parents, as well. In addition, referrals and information about Birth to Three and the special education program of the Milford Public Schools are available, along with information about preparing children for preschool and how to access other sources of support in the community. The Milford Family Resource Center at the Mathewson Elementary School will be starting their next semester in January. If you would like a personal visit or would like further information, please feel welcome to call us at 203-783-3626 or email at mfrc@milforded.org.

**We still have openings in certain playgroups
at our center.**

Please feel free to call us at 203 783-3626.

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Holiday Concert 2018

with

The Learning Station



We had great fun!



Holiday Concert 2018



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*And to Santa
and his helpers:
Sarah, Ana, Annabelle,
Keagan, and
Peggy O.*



CHRISTMAS THANKS TO SANTA'S HELPERS

Once again, we, at the Milford Family Resource Center, wish to thank everyone who so generously contributed Christmas Gifts for the children and their parents who requested assistance.

We had the awesome privilege of distributing the gifts.

The parents expressed sincere appreciation.

They want you to thank YOU

So from the bottom of our hearts thank you to:

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Atomic Kid Studios, particularly Jodee Caruso

And finally, the wonderful staff of SUBWAY (see photo below)







Meghan Fitzsimmons and her Girl Scout Troop 60372 out of Bethany decided to give the gift of warmth for their annual holiday service project. They hand made beautiful, soft scarves to donate. We hope the recipients love them as much as we loved making them!

