

Theme: Summertime Resources

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Today's email is put together by Ms. Cindy (from Cook) and Teacher Evina (from Collingwood).

Looking for activities to do these summer months? We've put together a list of websites, links and resources for you!

StrongStart Online - [https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student\\_Learning/Early-Learners/StrongStart/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Learning/Early-Learners/StrongStart/Pages/default.aspx)

- On this site, you will find direct links to our daily activity posts, story time and circle time videos.
- Children love repetition so don't be afraid to watch the same video over and over this summer.

#### Drop-In Programs

**StrongStart at Seymour Elementary School** - From 9:30 - 11:30am, July 2 through August 27 at 1130 Keefer Street (in Room 012). Please note: no drop-in permitted and pre-registration is required on a weekly basis. There will be a limit of 5 families (1 adult and 1-3 children from the same household) per day. There will be no food permitted in the classroom. A "take home" snack will be distributed at the end of the program. Please bring your own water bottles as water fountains will be closed. For more information and pre-registration, contact Maribel at [mmartinez@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:mmartinez@vsb.bc.ca).

**South Vancouver Family Place** - Family drop-in programs are available after July 7, 2020 but pre-registration is required. For more information, visit <http://www.southvancouverfamilyplace.org/we-are-going-online/> or check out the attached PDF.

**Marpole-Oakridge Family Place** - Starting June 16, 2020, MOFP has started Circle Times but registration is required. To book online, visit <https://mofp.org/>.

#### Virtual Programs

**Vancouver Public Library (VPL)** - Visit their website (<https://www.vpl.ca/>) for digital resources like e-books as well as updated information on services. VPL also has a playlist of "Virtual Babytime" videos - <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLp9Du1me5InKe2xjTH-5d1EcMwrsDQKoR>

**Burnaby Neighbourhood House** - Family drop-in programs (in English and Spanish) are available for families with children 0-5 years old - <https://burnabynh.ca/bnh-virtual-programs/>. Advanced registration is required.

**Westside Family Place** - There is a Virtual Singing Time and Mama Papa Goose for preschoolers. For more information, visit <http://www.westsidefamilyplace.com/virtual-programs-from-west-side-family-place/>

**Mount Pleasant Family Centre Society** - Circle times and sing-a-longs can be found online at <https://www.facebook.com/MPFamilyCentre>

**New West Family Place** - Offers online programs such as Live Circle Time and a daily Family Fun Feature. For more information, visit <https://www.newwestfamilies.ca/>

**Westcoast Family Centres** - Register for the online Virtual Family Resource Program at <https://www.westcoastfamily.org/events/virtualfamilyresource>

#### Playgrounds and Waterparks

**Please note that as physical distancing is still being practiced, follow the BC Health and Safety guidelines when visiting public places.**

**Waterparks around Metro Vancouver** - For locations and opening dates, visit <https://www.familyfunCanada.com/vancouver/water-spray-parks-in-vancouver/>

**Playgrounds** - If your neighbourhood playground is getting boring, here are 9 playgrounds that are worth the drive - <https://www.familyfunCanada.com/vancouver/playgrounds-worth-the-drive-in-metro-vancouver/>

**Attractions** - Missing the museums and Aquabus rides? Visit <https://vancouverbestplaces.com/open-vancouver-places-covid19/> to see what local attractions are open for the summer.

#### Things to Do at Home

**Science Activities** - The Dad Lab shares 5 easy outdoor science activities you can try at home - <https://youtu.be/LN34TM1si1Q>

**Outdoor Play Ideas** - From mud kitchens to giant paintings, here are a bunch of activities for outside fun - <https://busytoddler.com/category/activities/outside-play/>

**Physical Fitness** - Check out City of Burnaby's checklist of activities you can do at home - <https://www.burnaby.ca/Assets/city+services/public+safety/COVID-19/Physical+Literacy+Activity.pdf>. You can also learn some new moves through dancing with "Dance 'n Beats" videos - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9kc9fRpmG771kRN7zgTWpQ>

**Daily Activities** - If you need more routine and schedules, Mothers Matter Centre produces weekly Stay 'N' Play activities - <https://www.mothersmattercentre.ca/stay-n-play/>. It's an in-home schedule with parent-child activities around play time, learning time, etc.

**Let's Play! Activities for Families** - Developed by the BC Ministry of Education for families. Activities have been carefully chosen to encourage the expression and extension of children's interests and ideas - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/early-learning/teach/earlylearning/lets-play-activities-for-families.pdf>



# SVNH SUMMER PARK POP-UP FAMILY PROGRAM



**Free program for parents & children (0-6 years)**

**July 6 to August 25, 2020**

**10 am to 11:30 am**

- **No program on rainy days.**
- **Wellness check before entering program.**
- **Please bring masks, hand sanitizer, blankets/chairs.**
- **First come, first serve. Limited spaces.**



❖ **Monday & Tuesdays at Moberly Park near Arts & Cultural Centre**

❖ **Wednesdays & Thursdays at Memorial Park near the bathrooms**

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