Growing Healthy Families ST. IOHNSBURY DISTRICT OFFIC

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How does your garden grow?

Tuesday, April 4; 10:30 a.m. Vermont Department of Health, WIC office St. Johnsbury

Join us to read a book about gardening and plant some seeds to take home with you!

Storytime

3rd Monday of each month March 20, April 17, May 15 4:15–5:15 p.m. and

1st Wednesday of each month March 1, April 5, May 3 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Children of all ages welcome. Call Abby at 751-0177 for more information.

What is safe sleep?

Wednesday, April 12; Noon Vermont Department of Health WIC office, St. Johnsbury

Sometimes it is hard to weed through the advice of others, old practices, new advice and the latest research to determine the safest way to put a baby to sleep. Join us to learn in a relaxed environment about the safest practices to prevent and reduce the risks of sudden unexpected death of an infant. You'll leave knowing the safest way to put a baby to sleep and with a better understanding of the science behind current sleep recommendations.

Classes

To register for either class, call Amanda at 751-0171 or 1-800-952-2936.

Preparing for birth and the first 10 days & understanding your newborn baby's behavior Tuesday, April 11; 3:00 p.m. Vermont Department of Health WIC office, St. Johnsbury

Prenatal class: Even though breastfeeding is normal and natural, mothers and babies have to learn to breastfeed together. Join other pregnant women like you to learn about hospital practices that support breastfeeding, and about signs that breastfeeding is going well. Dads and grandparents are welcome, too!

Understanding your baby's cues & making it work when separated from your baby Tuesday, April 25; 3:00 p.m. Vermont Department of Health WIC office, St. Johnsbury

Postpartum class: Understanding your baby can help you feel less stressed and more confident. Learn how to recognize hunger cues, sleep patterns, reasons for crying, and solutions to common concerns. Also, learn how to make breastfeeding work when you are separated from baby. Dads, grandparents, and other support welcome, too!

All activities are FREE of charge!

VeggieVanGo: Mobile food pantry

3rd Thursday of each month March 16, April 20, May 18 10:00–11:00 a.m. Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital, cafeteria St. Johnsbury

4th Thursday of each month March 23, April 27, May 25 1:15–2:15 p.m. St. Johnsbury School 257 Western Avenue, St. Johnsbury

The Vermont Foodbank's Mobile Food Pantry, in partnership with hospitals, aims to provide fresh produce and healthy snacks to families in need of food assistance. Recipes, food samples, other giveaways and information also provided most months. Food from the Vermont Foodbank is meant for personal use only. Please take only what you need for your household and remember to bring your own grocery bags.

Contact 748-7590 for more information.

La Leche League

2nd Tuesday of each month March 14, April 11, May 9 10:30 a.m. St. Johnsbury Athenaeum (children's room side entrance)

La Leche League's meetings are fun and relaxed. Prepare for your baby's birth, meet other local moms, get tips on breastfeeding, making life with baby easier, and more! Babies and children are welcome.