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Event details:

Toddler Day Out & Great Parenting Fair

Fun and entertainment for 0-5 year olds, information and support for parents

Saturday 14th May 10am – 3pm

Massey Leisure Centre, Don Buck Road

Expect a few changes at one of Auckland’s best loved family events. This year’s Toddler Day Out will be at Massey Leisure Centre in Don Buck Road, 10am-3pm on Saturday 14th May. Lyn Amos, Manager at Violence Free Communities says, “This is a great move. It gives us all the advantages of an indoor event. But keeps up our tradition of fun and entertainment for the 0-5s, and plenty of information, advice and support for parents and carers.” This will be the thirteenth Toddler Day Out organised by VFC, and its success has grown year on year.

Nearly all the stalls have been snapped up already by groups and organisations offering everything from mother and baby aerobics, to safety in and around cars, to finding baby and toddler-friendly activities around the area. And there’ll be the usual play areas, badge and toy making, face-painting and a new gymnasium activity, courtesy of the YMCA. Carolynn Day, the Project Leader says, “We’re looking forward to working with even more local organisations this year. This is a great opportunity for the community to find out who’s there for them. And its great fun for the kids, too.” There’s a full programme of stage entertainers in the main hall, including JP the Clown and Fairy Clare, and Massey Library are running their wonderful ‘Wiggle and Rhyme’ sessions right next door.

The event aligns with the UN International Day of Families – ‘an occasion to celebrate the importance of families to people, societies and cultures around the world’. This time the theme is ‘Happy, Healthy Families’, and VFC is working in partnership with the YMCA, Sport Waitakere and others who are giving plenty of advice and support on ways that parents and children can be active, eat well and spend quality time together.

If you’d like to be involved in this great event as a supporter or volunteer, if you’d like to publicise your family-friendly service, or if you’d like to donate a prize, then please contact Carolynn at tdo@violencefreecommunities.org or 021 268 8259. Or follow us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/ViolenceFreeCommunities/>

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