



Kittilä's children, youth and family services and activities guide



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The purpose of this guide is to provide information about services for children, young people, and families in Kittilä. The guide and detailed information about the services are available online at www.kittila.fi/lapsiperheet. Each service section also includes direct links to the relevant service websites. Municipal employees' email addresses follow the format `firstname.lastname@kittila.fi`, while employees of the Lapland Wellbeing Services County (Lapin hyvinvointialue) use the format `firstname.lastname@lapha.fi`. If an email address differs from these formats, it is specified separately in the guide. Last updated: September 2026.

1. SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES OF THE LAPLAND WELLBEING SERVICES COUNTY (LAPIN HYVINVOINTIALUE)

MATERNITY AND CHILD HEALTH CLINIC SERVICES

Health center, 2nd floor, Sairaatie 2

Maternity and child health clinics use a call-back system.



MATERNITY CLINIC

The Family Team provides support and services for the whole family. Maternity clinic services promote the health and well-being of the expectant mother, the unborn baby, the newborn, and the entire family. The clinic also offers support for parenting and family relationships. Paternity can be acknowledged at the clinic.

- Kittilä central village (including Pakatti) public health nurse Saija Jauhojärvi **040 716 0248**
- Sirkka (excluding Juolurova, Hillarova and Akanrova) public health nurse Maija Rahko **040 525 5296**
- Other villages (Alakylä, Hanhimaa, Helppi, Kallo, Kaukonen, Kelontekemä, Kiistala, Kinisjärvi, Kuivasalmi, Köngäs, Lompolo, Molkojärvi, Pokka, Pulju, Raattama, Rauhala, Rautuskylä, Tepasto, Tepsa, Vuoma, Ylläsjärvi and in Sirkka: Juolurova, Hillarova ja Akanrova) public health nurse Kati Huttu **040 525 5294**

CHILD HEALTH CLINIC

The child health clinic supports families with children. The clinic helps parents provide a safe, child-centered upbringing, good care for their child, and maintain healthy family relationships. The child health clinic works closely with other professionals serving children and families, such as early daycare services and social services. The clinic provides regular health check-ups for children and families, including health screenings, vaccinations, guidance, support, and counseling. In addition to public health nurses, families may also receive services from doctors, psychologists, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, dental hygienists, and dentists.

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SEXUAL HEALTH AND CONTRACEPTION COUNSELING

The children health clinic provides family planning and sexual health counseling. You can contact the clinic for advice on contraception, pregnancy planning, or if you suspect that you may have a sexually transmitted infection. Public health nurses provide sexual health counseling for families in their designated service areas. The clinic also offers guidance and counseling related to pregnancy termination. Contraception is provided free of charge to Kittilä residents under the age of 25 and to students studying in Kittilä.

Contraception clinic clients:

- Kittilä central village and other villages (excluding Sirkka) public health nurse Saija Jauhojärvi **040 716 0248**
- Sirkka public health nurse Kati Huttu **040 525 5294**
- For families with children, contraception counseling is provided by the children health clinic public health nurse in your local area.

TRAVEL HEALTH ADVICE

The public health nurse at the child health clinic provides travel health advice and travel vaccinations. Public health nurse Maija Rahko **040 525 5296**

STUDENT WELFARE SERVICES

Student welfare services support schoolchildren, students, and their families. These services aim to promote and maintain learning, mental and physical health, and social well-being, as well as to strengthen the conditions that support them within schools and the educational community. Student welfare services are guided by the principle of acting in the best interests of the child and promoting their overall well-being.

SCHOOL AND STUDENT HEALTH CARE

The goal of school health care is to promote the well-being of the entire school community and the health of students, and to support healthy growth and development in cooperation with students, parents, teachers, and other student welfare professionals.

School health care includes annual health check-ups. Extensive health check-ups are provided in grades 1, 5, and 8. Students in upper secondary schools and vocational education receive a health check-up during their first or second year of study, as needed.

School and student health care also provides sexual health counseling, health examinations related to military service, and travel health advice for schoolchildren and students. School health care does not provide treatment for acute illnesses. Children who are ill should stay at home, and parents are responsible for assessing whether their child is well enough to attend school.

- Kittilä central village middle school and high school, Redu, Luovi, Alakylän and Kaukonen elementary school: Public health nurse Minna Kantola **040 673 5324** (calls, with callback) text messages **045 739 76581**
- Kittilä central village and Sirkka elementary school, Military conscription medical examinations: Public health nurse Heli Harju **040 825 6677** (calls, with callback) text messages **045 739 76586**
- Appointments for school dental services: Oral Health Care Customer Service **016 860 2010**

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER

School social workers provide preventive support and early intervention services for children and young people in schools. Kittilä has two school social workers. Their role is to support children and young people facing challenges related to school, home life, friendships, or leisure activities, with the aim of promoting well-being and supporting regular school attendance. School social workers have meeting spaces in each school, and students can make an appointment to meet with them. Children and young people, parents, teachers, student welfare staff, and other partners can contact the school social workers. The primary way to contact them is through Wilma, but they can also be reached by phone or email.

- School Social Worker Anna Jääskeläinen (students aged 13 and over, including students in lower secondary school, Kittilä Upper Secondary School (including Levi Academy, REDU, and Luovi), **040 537 8724**
- School Social Worker Marjo Vuoti (students under the age of 13, including students at Lukkarin School, Kaukonen School, Alakylä School, and Sirkan School, as well as children in preschool education), **040 039 8709**

SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH NURSE

A school mental health nurse Laura Reinikka is a psychiatric nurse who works in the school environment. School mental health nurses provide basic mental health services, offer psychosocial support, assess mental health concerns, provide brief therapeutic interventions, and plan further care in collaboration with student welfare professionals. Young people are usually referred to the school mental health nurse by the school public health nurse or school social worker. Support is provided through individual appointments, consultations, network meetings, and collaboration with the family. The aim of this support is to prevent developmental challenges and life crises from becoming more serious and to promote the young person's well-being.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

The school psychologist supports students with matters related to mental well-being, school attendance, and learning. Psychological assessments may be carried out when questions arise about the nature of a student's learning difficulties despite the support measures already provided by the school. The support provided by the school psychologist is voluntary and confidential. Appointments usually take place at the school during the school day. Students may be referred to the school psychologist by school social workers, public health nurses, special education teachers, or other professionals working with the student.

KITILÄ HEALTH CENTER

Sairaatie 2, 99100 Kittilä

Emergency number 112

[DigiLapha](#) is the digital service platform of the Lapland Wellbeing Services County, available on mobile devices and through a web browser. It brings together digital social and healthcare services and makes it easier for residents to access services and communicate with professionals.



HEALTH CENTER URGENT CARE SERVICES

Urgent care services are available on weekdays: Monday to Thursday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and on Fridays and public holidays from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Urgent appointments with doctors and nurses Call **040 035 6498** between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM to speak with a nurse, who will assess your need for care. The urgent care appointment service at Kittilä Health Center uses a callback system. The phone line is never busy, so one call is enough. After you request a callback, a nurse will contact you as soon as possible in the order calls were received.

The nurse will assess your need for care either by phone or, if necessary, during an appointment. Based on this assessment, the most appropriate care will be arranged. If self-care is sufficient, you will receive reliable self-care instructions.

URGENT CONTACTS OUTSIDE OFFICE HOURS

Call the Medical Helpline at 116117 before visiting an emergency department. Healthcare professionals will assess your need for urgent care. If self-care is sufficient, you will receive reliable self-care instructions. The service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

NON-URGENT NEED FOR CARE

When care is not urgently needed, an appointment can be booked with a doctor or nurse. Non-urgent appointments are available Monday to Thursday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and on Fridays and public holidays from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM by calling **040 035 6498**. Kittilä Health Center uses a callback system for non-urgent appointments. You can also contact the health center through [Digipalvelut – Lapha's](#) digital services.

Prescription renewals should be requested through Kanta ([kanta.fi](#)). If a prescription cannot be renewed through Kanta, you can send a message through the digital service or call the non-urgent appointment line.

LABORATORY SERVICES

The laboratory is open Monday to Thursday from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and Friday from 7:00 AM to 1:15 PM. Blood samples are taken Monday to Thursday from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM and Friday from 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM. After 8:30 AM on Fridays, only emergency samples are taken.

The health center laboratory operates by appointment. You can book an appointment online at [www.Nordlab.fi](#) or by calling **020 619 8019** on weekdays from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

For personal guidance, call **08 2377 8911** Monday to Thursday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Friday from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. You will receive your test results from the healthcare professional or unit responsible for your care, for example, the doctor who referred you for the tests. Please check with the referring healthcare professional if any special preparation is required before your laboratory tests.

X-RAY SERVICES

The X-ray unit is open Monday to Thursday from 8:15 AM to 3:45 PM and Friday from 8:15 AM to 2:45 PM. X-ray examinations require a referral from a doctor. The results and radiology reports are provided through the referring doctor or healthcare unit. Appointments can be booked directly with the X-ray unit by calling **040 834 3580** or through your local nurse.

ORAL HEALTH CARE

The dental clinic is open Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Appointments are booked through a callback system Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM by calling **016 860 2010**.

Dental care for children below school age

At the child's 6-month child health clinic visit, public health nurses assess the child's oral health and need for care for the first time. If a more detailed oral health examination is needed, parents are advised to book an appointment with a dental hygienist by calling the dental clinic at 016 860 2010. All children below school age are invited to appointments with a dental hygienist at the ages of 1, 3, and 5 years. Additional visits may be scheduled based on the child's individual needs.

Dental care for school-age children

All students are invited to dental check-ups at the ages of 7, 9, 12, and 15 with either a dentist or a dental hygienist. Additional visits may be scheduled according to individual needs.

In addition, all 17-year-olds receive a reminder letter encouraging them to book a check-up appointment with either a dental hygienist or a dentist.

Urgent dental care

On weekdays, appointments for urgent dental care can be booked through the centralized oral health care appointment service by calling **016 860 2010**.

On weekends and public holidays, emergency dental services for urgent cases are provided jointly by the municipalities of Lapland from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM. The service number is **010 633 8330**.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

Physiotherapy is a form of medical rehabilitation. Children can be referred to physiotherapy by a doctor, school health care, or a child health clinic. Physiotherapy assessments focus on a child's motor development, mobility, and functional abilities. Services include therapy based on a doctor's referral, guidance and counseling for children and their parents, assistive device services, rehabilitation, and professional consultations. The physiotherapy department is located on the second floor of the health center and employs four physiotherapists. In addition, one physiotherapist works in home care services.

- Physiotherapy appointments are arranged through a callback service at **040 358 0054**. You can also send a text message to **045 739 6582**.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Occupational therapy is a form of medical rehabilitation that uses everyday activities as a therapeutic tool. It is based on collaboration between the client and the occupational therapist. Occupational therapy promotes independence and participation in daily life and helps find solutions to challenges in everyday activities. Therapy may take place at the clinic, at the client's home, in early childhood education and care settings, at school, during leisure activities, or in the workplace. Clients include children, young people, adults, and older adults.

The occupational therapist of the Wellbeing Services County assesses functional abilities and the need for assistive devices and provides guidance and support to help clients manage everyday activities. Occupational therapy services are available through a referral from healthcare services, such as a child health clinic, school health care, or another healthcare provider.

- Occupational Therapist Saana Hakala **040 661 7119**

SPEECH THERAPY

Speech therapy is a form of medical rehabilitation that includes the assessment, treatment, and prevention of speech, voice, language, and communication disorders. It also includes assessment and guidance related to eating and swallowing difficulties. Speech therapy focuses on early intervention for children below school age and on supporting adults with neurological conditions. Therapy may take place at the clinic, at the client's home, or in early childhood education and school settings. Speech therapy services are available through a referral from primary or specialized health care. Referrals can be made by a public health nurse, doctor, psychologist, physiotherapist, or occupational therapist. The speech therapist is located on the second floor of the health center.

- Speech Therapist Sohvi Haltia **040 525 1055**

REHABILITATION COUNSELING AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

A Rehabilitation Counselor provides support and guidance to individuals with special needs and the people around them, helping them achieve as independent and smooth a daily life as possible. A referral or recommendation for rehabilitation counseling can be made by a healthcare or social services professional. Clients may also request rehabilitation counseling through these services. The referral or recommendation should include the client's background information, contact details, and the purpose of the rehabilitation counseling. It should be sent by secure email to: erityisentuenkuntoutus@lapha.fi

- Rehabilitation Counselor Elina Ruokanen **040 825 7063**
- Rehabilitation Counselor Henriikka Kilponen **040 482 9243**

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Kittilä's mental health services provide accessible, low-threshold support primarily for adults. Medical treatment is primarily provided by health center doctors, with psychiatric consultation available when needed. You can access the service without a referral. Appointments can be booked by phone, text message, or email.

- Psychiatric Nurse Niina Utriainen **040 708 4692**
- Psychiatric Nurse Anne Jylhä **040 708 4693**

SPECIALIZED HEALTH CARE SERVICES

PEDIATRIC MEDICINE

The pediatric clinics and wards at Lapland Central Hospital provide specialist care for children with a wide range of medical conditions. The pediatric neurology clinic assesses, treats, and rehabilitates children with neurological conditions. The pediatric surgery clinic provides services in pediatric orthopedics, pediatric urology, pediatric gastrointestinal surgery, and general pediatric surgery. The pediatric inpatient ward cares for children with infectious diseases, ear, nose, and throat conditions, surgical and neurological conditions, internal medical conditions, and skin conditions.

- You can contact the Pediatric and Adolescent Outpatient Clinic at Lapland Central Hospital by phone on weekdays at **040 860 1131**. If the line is busy, you can leave a callback request, and a nurse will call you back on the same day or the next business day.
- You can contact the Pediatric and Adolescent Ward and the Neonatal Intensive and Observation Unit by phone. The Pediatric and Adolescent Ward also includes a pediatric day hospital. Contact details are as follows: Ward Secretary **040 627 9203**, Pediatric/Surgical Nurse **040 516 7753**, Infection Nurse **040 513 8649**, and Neonatal Intensive and Observation Unit **040 532 2280**.
- In urgent situations, call the Medical Helpline at **116117**.

CHILD PSYCHIATRY SERVICES ja ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY SERVICES

Child psychiatry provides assessment and treatment for children under the age of 13 who are experiencing emotional, behavioral, or psychological difficulties. Support is provided to both the child and their family during challenging life situations and crises, in cooperation with social services, health care, and educational services.

Adolescent psychiatry focuses on the assessment and treatment of young people aged 13–17 who have more severe mental health disorders. Support is also provided to their families. Care is delivered in cooperation with primary health care, social services, student welfare services, and other relevant professionals and authorities.

- Lapland Central Hospital Adolescent Psychiatry Outpatient Clinic, for matters concerning adolescents already in treatment **040 026 5315**
- Service coordination and guidance for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Lapland Central Hospital is available by phone Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. The service is intended for residents, professionals, and authorities **040 635 9119**.
- For matters concerning children already receiving treatment, contact the Child Psychiatry Outpatient Clinic at Lapland Central Hospital **040 652 6131**.
- For matters concerning adolescents already receiving treatment, contact the Adolescent Psychiatry Outpatient Clinic at Lapland Central Hospital **040 026 5315**.

PSYCHIATRY AND ADDICTION TREATMENT

Psychiatry and addiction services provide assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation for people who need specialized psychiatric care or specialized addiction treatment. Patients may experience a range of mental health disorders, psychiatric illnesses, and substance use problems.

- The Mental Health Emergency Counseling and Guidance Service at Lapland Central Hospital is available 24 hours a day. The service provides guidance, counseling, and assessments of the need for care. Support is also available for family members, partners, and professionals **040 715 8400**.
- The Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic at Lapland Central Hospital can be reached at **016 328 2405**.
- Psychiatric inpatient services at Lapland Central Hospital include the acute ward, the intensive treatment and rehabilitation ward, the assessment and treatment ward, and the functional therapy unit. For matters concerning patients, please contact the ward office or the assistant head nurse by phone.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Valtatie 15, 99100 Kittilä

Kittilä's **social services** provide statutory services for people of all ages and life situations. Each client receives an assessment of their service needs, a decision on services, and an individual service plan. Social services support families with children, child protection, family law matters, working-age adults, people with disabilities, people with substance use problems, and older adults. Services include a wide range of social support and assistance.

Social counseling for families with children provides support and guidance in various life situations, such as managing everyday routines, coping with daily challenges, parenting, financial difficulties, and substance use problems.

- [Notification of need for social welfare, i.e. concern notification](#)
- [Counseling and services for families with children and child protection](#)
- Family counselor Marika Parviainen **040 623 5993**
- Family counselor Raija Tavi **040 487 8328**

Children and young people who are clients of **child protection services** need special support. Child protection services are governed by the Child Welfare Act. A child may need special support when their growth and development are at risk due to circumstances in their living environment or because of their own behavior. Child protection services include support measures provided in open care, substitute care, and aftercare.

- [Child protection notification](#)
- Child protection social worker Maria Sovasto **040 589 4579**
- Child protection family counselor Leena Raitanen **040 132 0201**

Family law services include establishing parenthood and preparing agreements on child maintenance, custody, and visitation rights.

- [Contact request to the child welfare officer for family law services](#)
- Child welfare officer Henna Paaso **040 648 2145**
- Family mediation provides separated parents with an opportunity to discuss issues related to arrangements for their children when the parents are having difficulty reaching an agreement. Particular attention is paid to safeguarding the child's best interests and ensuring a safe and stable everyday life. For information about family mediation, please contact the Family Counseling Center's guidance and counseling service at **040 679 6535**.

Services for working-age adults (adult social work) provide support, guidance, and counseling for people over the age of 18 in a variety of life situations. You can contact the service if you need support with income, unemployment, housing, managing everyday life, substance use, or family-related issues.

- [Counseling and services for adult social work and income support](#)
- Social worker Samira Järvenpää **040 824 0351**
- Social counselor Anne Matilainen **040 687 4421**
- Social counselor Virpi Yritys **040 035 6429**
- Substance abuse and mental health worker Sanna Huilaja **040 179 4063**

You can contact **disability services** if you need support with housing, mobility, or other daily activities due to a long-term disability or illness.

- [Counseling and services for disability services \(Northern region\)](#)
- Social Counselor (Disability Services): **016 328 2004**. Phone hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. After 10:00 AM, calls are automatically forwarded to the disability services counseling and service line, which is available from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- Social Worker (Disability Services): **016 328 2043**. Phone hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. After 10:00 AM, calls are automatically forwarded to the disability services counseling and service line, which is available from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- **The Tunturi-Lappi Housing Unit** on Hirvastie provides 24-hour housing services and permanent group accommodation for ten people with developmental disabilities. Residents receive continuous support and guidance in their daily lives. In addition, two apartments and shared facilities are available for short-term accommodation and care for children, young people, and adults.
- **Lapinsirkku Housing Support** provides support for independent living at the Petäjätie A and B row houses, which include eight apartments and shared facilities. Housing support services are also available throughout the Kittilä area for people with developmental disabilities or autism spectrum disorders who live in their own homes.
- **Day activities** at Pääskynpesä provide social rehabilitation that supports interaction, participation, functional ability, and individual strengths. These services are intended for people with disabilities under the age of 65.
- Clients are referred to services based on a service needs assessment carried out by a social worker or social counselor in disability services. When a service begins, an individual service plan is prepared together with the client. The plan defines the client's needs, how the service will be provided, and the client's own wishes and goals.

FAMILY COUNSELING CENTER

The Family Counseling Center provides parenting and family counseling as a service under the Social Welfare Act. The center offers support with parenting, children's psychological development, and family relationship and communication issues. The service is free of charge and intended for families with children and young people under the age of 18. No referral is required. To access the service, contact the Family Counseling Center's counseling number **040 679 6535** (Mon and Wed 9:00–10:30)

The Family Counseling Center can help when:

- You would like support and guidance with parenting and raising children.
- Parents are considering separation or the family needs support in coping with a separation.
- There are conflicts, grief, or other difficult situations affecting the family.
- You are concerned about your child's behaviour, mood, or psychological development.
- You need support with relationship issues.

2. EVERYDAY

FAMILY HELP

Family Help is a free, easily accessible service for families with children below school age. The service lasts for up to three months. It is primarily intended for families in which one parent is at home caring for the child or children. Help provides support and guidance for families facing challenges in everyday life. Support is provided once a week for three hours at a time during office hours.

Family Help can assist in situations such as coping with a crying baby, parental exhaustion, parenting challenges, difficulties managing everyday life, a serious illness in the family, divorce or separation, or a lack of support networks. If you feel that your family could benefit from Family Help, please contact us directly on Fridays between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM.

- Sirkka and areas north of Sirkka, Family Helper Tiina Korhonen **040 652 8587**
- Kirkkonylä and areas south of Kirkkonylä, Family Helper Terhi Tammela **040 664 1244**

FAMILY COMPANION

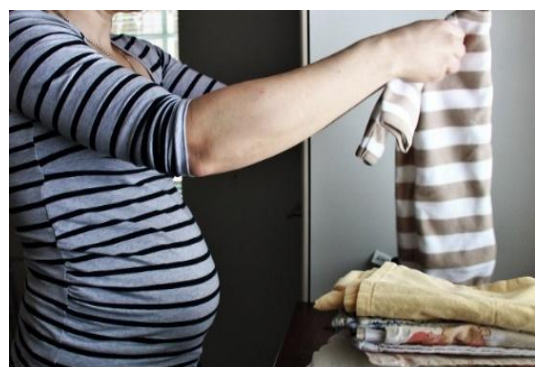
A Family Companion® (Perhekuumppani) is a social services professional who provides practical support and guidance for families with children. Family Companions work alongside families when support is needed with parenting, everyday family life, a child's well-being, or child-rearing. The Family Companion supports the whole family before there is a need for services under the Social Welfare Act. The service helps families identify their strengths and find solutions before challenges become more serious.

Family Companions provide practical support in everyday life. Meetings can take place in the family's home, or the Family Companion can accompany the family in managing everyday matters and appointments. Meetings can also be arranged remotely. The number and timing of meetings are agreed individually according to the family's needs. The service is free of charge and intended for families with children aged 0–12.

- Family Companion **044 761 4151**
- [Contact the Family Companion Service](#)

KELA

Kela supports [families with children through a range of benefits](#), starting during pregnancy. Kela also helps low-income families manage everyday expenses through benefits such as the general housing allowance and basic social assistance.



Most Kela services can be accessed online or by phone. In Kela's online service, [OmaKela](#) you can apply for benefits, submit supporting documents, and report changes in your circumstances. You can also check the status of your applications and view benefit payment dates. Kela's phone service provides personal guidance on using online services and submitting applications.

If necessary, applications can also be submitted verbally by phone. Kela's phone service is available on weekdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Information about service-specific phone numbers is available at www.kela.fi/soita-kelaan.

The address and opening hours of Kela's service point in Kittilä, as well as the municipal service point, can be found on the [suomi.fi-service](#).

MUNICIPAL SUPPLEMENT FOR CHILD HOME CARE ALLOWANCE

The Municipality of Kittilä pays the statutory child home care allowance and private day care allowance. In addition, the municipality provides a municipal supplement to the child home care allowance. The supplement is paid together with the statutory allowance and does not require a separate application. The basic municipal supplement is €300 per month for the family's first child. An additional sibling supplement of €70 per month is paid for each additional child below school age in the family. More information: <https://www.kela.fi/kotihoidontuki>

LIVING IN KITILÄ

Kittilä offers a variety of housing options, including owner-occupied and rental housing, as well as excellent opportunities for leisure and holiday living. Municipal rental apartments are managed by Kittilän Vuokratalot Oy: www.kittilanvuokratalot.fi

The Municipality of Kittilä's website provides extensive information about housing and building in Kittilä, including plots for detached houses and holiday homes. More information can be found on the Housing and Environment pages.

Privately owned plots for sale can be found through local real estate agents, local newspapers, and online property websites.

Kittilä Municipality's housing counseling service is available to all residents, people moving to Kittilä, and those considering moving to the municipality, whether from elsewhere in Finland or from abroad. Counseling is available for tenants, homeowners, and landlords in Finnish and English. Interpreter services can also be arranged if needed. Please book an appointment in advance: asumisneuvonta@kittila.fi, 040 186 3766

CHURCH DIACONAL WORK

Diaconal work is based on Christian faith and care for others. It supports individuals, families, and communities in a variety of life situations. Diaconal work can provide discussion and crisis support, guidance in financial and debt-related matters, and, in some cases, financial assistance for urgent needs. Together with the client, the diaconal worker assesses the need for support and helps find solutions to difficult situations. You are welcome to talk confidentially about any concerns that are affecting your well-being. Diaconal services are free of charge and available to everyone. Church membership is not required. You can contact the diaconal worker of Kittilä Parish by phone, text message, or email.

- Kittilä parish deaconess **040 726 8205**

3. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND SCHOOLING

Department of Education at the Municipal Office, Valtatie 15
Acting Director of Education Petteri Kinnunen **040 705 7486**



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (DAYCARE)

Early childhood education combines education, care, and guidance for children. It emphasizes play, physical activity, nature, and positive social interaction. Nutrition and cultural education are also important parts of the programme. Early childhood education supports children's development, learning, and well-being. Education and care are planned individually for each child, taking into account their needs, strengths, and personal characteristics. Parents' and guardians' knowledge of their child is an important part of this planning. Practical arrangements are agreed upon when the child starts early childhood education, and individual planning continues until the child begins school.

A child's right to early childhood education begins after parental leave and continues until the start of compulsory education. In Kittilä, early childhood education is provided in daycare centers, group family daycare, and family daycare in the caregiver's home.

Temporary care is available for children who do not have a regular early childhood education place. It is intended for children who need occasional care and can be arranged through daycare centers if places are available. Temporary care is subject to a fee but does not affect eligibility for the child home care allowance.

Applications for early childhood education are submitted electronically through eDaisy at <https://kittila.daisynet.fi/eDaisy/>. Applications should generally be submitted four months before the need for care begins. In unforeseen situations, the application period is two weeks. For this reason, it is recommended that unemployed job-seeking parents or guardians also submit an application in advance.

- Early Childhood Education Service Coordinator Niina Jauhojärvi **040 647 2616** (*applications, early childhood education fees, and guidance on using eDaisy and DaisyFamily*)
- Head of Early Childhood Education Marketta Toivola **040 7162 084** (*administration, planning, development, and budgeting of early childhood education services*)

DAYCARE CENTERS

Kirkonkylä:

Muksula (regular daycare) Havutie 2

- Daycare director Annika Aartola, **040 703 3380**

Pikkumettä (extended opening hours, preschool education) Havutie 4

- Daycare director Kaija Takala **040 487 7554**

Sirkka:

Mäntymaja (regular daycare) Levin Ympäristie 1

- Daycare director Eija Metsärinta **040 681 120**

Oravanpesä (shift care, preschool education) Ounasjoentie 23

- Daycare director Janna Rauhala **040 827 9250**

Köngäs:

Metsähiisi (regular daycare): Siimeksentie 16

- Daycare director Eija Metsärinta **040 681 1206**

Tiittarit (regular daycare): Siimeksentie 19

- Daycare director Eija Metsärinta **040 681 1206**

Raattama:

Aurinkotuuli (regular daycare) Ounasjoentie 5463

- Responsible teacher **040 747 2075** ja
- Daycare director Eija Metsärint **040 681 1206**

GROUP FAMILY DAYCARE CENTERS AND FAMILY DAYCARE AT HOME

In Alakylä, Rovaniementie 3507, responsible family daycare provider Helena Kukkola **040 035 6452**

In Kaukonen, Kylätie 46, responsible family daycare provider Anne Ollila **040 583 6149**

Family daycare providers working in their own homes are mainly located in the Kirkonkylä area. Private family daycare is available in Kirkonkylä, Köngäs and Ylläsjärvi. For more information, contact daycare director **040 7033 380**

CHILD'S NEED FOR SUPPORT

If a child needs additional support related to growth, development, or learning, support is available from an early childhood special education teacher. These services are part of early childhood education. If you have concerns about your child's development or if your child is experiencing challenges in everyday life, discuss your concerns with the staff in your child's group. Together, you can consider ways to support the child and decide whether assistance from other professionals may be needed. It is in the child's best interest to begin any necessary support as early as possible.

Early Childhood Special Education Teachers

- Maarit Riskumäki (Oravanpesä and preschool education in Sirkka, Metsähiisi in Köngäs, and family daycare in Köngäs and Ylläsjärvi) **040 672 0337**
- Eila Mäkitalo (Muksula in Kittilä, Mäntymaja in Sirkka, Kaukonen, Alakylä, and Raattama) **040 668 6084**
- Laura Mattanen (Pikkumettä and preschool education in Kittilä, and family daycare in Kittilä) **040 648 2089**

PRESCHOOL EDUCATION

A child's preschool education begins in the year preceding the start of compulsory education. Preschool education is free of charge. It is provided at daycare centers in Kittilä and Sirkka. In Alakylä and Kaukonen, preschool education is organized in connection with the school.

BASIC EDUCATION

Basic education has both an educational and a teaching role. Its aim is to support students' growth as individuals and members of society and to provide them with the knowledge and skills they need in life. Students are entitled to a free school meal, school transportation, and student welfare services.



BASIC EDUCATION UNITS IN KITTILÄ:

Email format: firstname.lastname@edu.kittila.fi

- School secretary (Primary Schools) Päivi Jatkola **040 676 5128**
- School secretary (Lower Secondary School and Upper Secondary School) Sari Juhola **040 577 9502**
- School secretary (School Transportation and Before- and After-School Activities) Mirva Tahvanainen **040 674 9507**

Alakylä school (grades 1–6), Rovaniementie 3491, 97470 Alakylä

- Principal teacher: Hanna Kaunismaa **040 570 9662**

Kaukonen school, (grades 1-6) Kylätie 46, 99110 Kaukonen

- Principal teacher: Hannu Hettula **040 035 6472**

Lukkari school (Kirkonkylä, grades 1-6), Koulutie 2, 99100 Kittilä,

- Principal teacher: Jenni Jokela **040 740 9333**

Sirkka school (grades 1-6), Ounasjoentie 23, 99130 Sirkka

- Principal: Eeva Hanhivaara **040 167 9136**

Lower secondary school (grades 7-9), Valtatie 9A, 99100 Kittilä

- Principal Janne Ylinampa **040 760 6503**
- Lower secondary school guidance counselor Minna Mäkimartti **040 672 4245**

MORNING AND AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Paid morning and afternoon activities are organized at schools for students in grades 1–2. The activities include a snack.

- School secretary Mirva Tahvanainen **040 674 9507**

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND LEARNING SUPPORT

Learning support is provided through planned teaching arrangements that support students' learning and school attendance. The aim is to ensure that all students have the opportunity to complete the basic education curriculum. Support available to all students includes remedial teaching, language support in the language of instruction, and support provided by a special education teacher alongside regular classroom teaching. If these group-based support measures are not sufficient, individual support measures can be provided. These may include teaching by a special education teacher partly in small groups and alongside regular classroom teaching, teaching by a special education teacher or special class teacher in a small group, teaching by a special class teacher in a special class, and individual interpretation services, assistant services, and assistive devices.

If group-based support measures are not sufficient, the need for individual support is assessed and planned, and decisions required under the Basic Education Act are made as soon as possible.

Special education teachers at Lukkari School:

- Special education teacher Päivi Pihajoki **040 861 4801**
- Special class teacher Pia Liettu **040 672 2556**
- Special education teacher Leena Jussila **040 828 8971**
- Special class teacher Jaana Mansner **040 659 8559**

Special education teachers at Alakylä ja Kaukonen school:

- Special education teacher Leena Jussila **040 828 8971**

Special education teacher at Sirkka school:

- Special education teacher Kaisa Markkanen **040 167 9095**
- Special education teacher Pia-Riitta Kärkkäinen **040 167 9159**
- Special class teacher Friida Luukkonen **040 587 3469**
- Special class teacher Janina Kuusela **040 736 0239**

Yläkoulun erityisopettajat:

- Special class teacher Esa Kajanki **040 769 4683**
- Broad-based special education teacher Joakim Mansner **040 541 8842**
- Special education teacher Anna Hakala **040 670 6256**
- Special education teacher Hanna Rautio **0400 343 132**

UPPER SECONDARY SCHOOL

Kittilä Upper Secondary School is one of the oldest upper secondary schools in Lapland. The school's mission is to support students in becoming well-rounded, educated individuals and active members of society. It provides students with the knowledge and skills needed for further studies, working life, hobbies, and personal development. The school also aims to foster lifelong learning and continuous self-development.

- Kittilä Upper Secondary School, Principal Janne Ylinampa **040 760 6503**

LEVI SNOW SPORT ACADEMY

The Levi Snow Sport Academy offers four specialization tracks: the Elite Sports Track, the Multi-Skill Freeride Track, and the Freeski Track. Most students study at Kittilä Upper Secondary School, but the academy also includes students from REDU Kittilä and Ounasvaara Sports Upper Secondary School.

- Valtatie 11
- Principal Janne Ylinampa, **040 760 6503**
- Head Coach Petri Tuomikoski, **040 034 1911**

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The Kittilä unit of the Lapland Education Center REDU offers vocational education in the fields of tourism, social and health care, construction, business, and nature and environmental studies. The education is provided in cooperation with local employers and other educational institutions. REDU also offers Preparatory Education for Degree Studies (TUVA) through online learning.

- Study counselor Anne Grön-Keskiniva, **040 766 0903**, anne.gron-keskiniva@redu.fi
- Student office: **040 703 1268**, haku@redu.fi

LUOVI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

The Kittilä unit of Luovi provides Preparatory Education for Work and Independent Living (TELMA) through local satellite classes.

- Valtatie 82, 99100 Kittilä
- Head of education Antti Parkkinen, **040 319 3020**, antti.parkkinen@luovi.fi
- Study advisor Marjo Liikanen **040 319 3911**, marjo.liikanen@luovi.fi
- Study counselor Satu Kvist-Kärkkäinen **040 319 3566**, satu.kvist-karkkainen@luovi.fi
- Responsible teacher Marjo Autio **040-319 3300**, marjo.autio@luovi.fi

YOUTH SERVICES

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Youth work supports young people's independence, participation, and well-being. Well-being is promoted through cooperation between different professionals and organizations. Youth services are open to all young people and anyone who feels young. In addition to open youth center activities, youth services organize trips, camps, clubs, and events.



Young people are actively involved in planning and carrying out activities. The aim is to ensure equal opportunities for participation and to encourage young people to influence matters that are important to them. Kittilä has a Youth Council that makes initiatives and follows issues affecting young people in the municipality. The municipality also supports youth organizations and young people's own activities.

Information about youth services and youth organizations is available on the municipality's website and on social media channels such as Instagram and Facebook.

The youth centers are located in the village center (Käki 2.0) and in Sirkka (Notzki). The facilities are primarily intended for students in grade 7 and above. Evening youth cafés are also organized at Käki 2.0 and Notzki for young people in grade 7 and above.

Kittilä's Youth Art Space is now located within the Käki 2.0 Youth Center. The art space provides young people with opportunities to create their own artwork. A variety of materials and equipment are available for use. Activities are developed together with young people whenever possible.

Outreach youth work is a voluntary service for young people aged 15–28 who need support in their lives. Its aim is to be present in young people's everyday lives and to provide a safe and confidential opportunity to connect with a trusted adult. Together with the young person, outreach youth workers help find solutions to challenges and concerns and support them in accessing the services and assistance they need.

Digital youth work uses digital tools and platforms as part of youth work. Digital approaches are integrated into all areas of youth work, including cultural activities, participation and influence opportunities, youth information and counseling services, open youth work, and outreach youth work.

The school youth worker supports young people's well-being both individually and in groups. The school youth worker is a familiar, approachable, and trusted adult who is available to listen, offer support, and help young people with a wide range of issues.

The Hobby Coordinator organizes and coordinates hobby and club activities that give children and young people opportunities to pursue their interests, spend their free time in meaningful ways, and participate in a variety of activities.

Youth office located in the Education Department corridor at the Municipal Hall, Valtatie 15, 99100 Kittilä

- Youth secretary Sanna Seppälä **040 571 2103**

Outreach Youth Work Office, located in Kittilä Youth Center – Käki 2.0, Valtatie 49, 99100 Kittilä

- Outreach Youth Worker Noora Suhonen **040 658 6292**
- Outreach Youth Worker Heidi Nummisto, **040 596 5995**

Kittilä Youth Centers – Käki 2.0, Valtatie 49, 99100 Kittilä and Notzki, Ounasjoentie 23B, 99130 Sirkka.

- Youth and Leisure Instructor Venla Salmi **040 193 9038**
- Youth and Leisure Instructor Henna Marttila **040 587 8074**
- Youth and Leisure Instructor Juha Hänninen, **040 673 7710**
- Youth and Leisure Instructor Taneli Syvänen **040 1417614**

School Youth Work

- School Youth Worker Sabina Keskitalo, **040 652 9264**
- School Youth Worker Sini Siitonen, **040 183 7269**

Hobby Activities Coordination

- Hobby Coordinator Jyrki Holopainen **040 562 9780**

TUNTURI-LAPPI AND PELLO EMPLOYMENT AREA

The Tunturi-Lappi and Pello Employment Area provide employment services for job seekers and employers in the municipalities of Enontekiö, Kittilä, Kolari, Muonio, and Pello. Our goal is to help employers and job seekers find each other and support successful employment.

- You can contact us through the [Työmarkkinatori e-Service](#), by phone at **016 645 5200**, or by email at tyollisyysalue@kittila.fi. Our phone service is available on weekdays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Please note that text messages cannot be sent to this number. You can also submit a contact request using an online form without strong authentication at <https://kittila.fi/yhteydenotto-tyovoima-asioissa>. We will respond within five working days.
- Contact details for all employees of the Tunturi-Lappi and Pello Employment Area are available on the Municipality of Kittilä website: [Employment Services Contact Information for the Tunturi-Lappi and Pello Employment Area](#).
- Client services are available at the Lapland Education Center REDU, Kittilä Unit, Valtatie 82, 99100 Kittilä. Appointments are generally arranged in advance.

KITILÄ MUNICIPALITY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The Municipality of Kittilä offers summer jobs for young people. Summer jobs are available for students aged 16–24 who are enrolled in school and are not clients of employment services.

The municipality encourages young people to apply for summer jobs primarily with local businesses, associations, and private households. Kittilä also provides financial support to local businesses, associations, and households that employ a young student for at least one month during the summer. Summer jobs offered by the municipality are available in various departments. The application period is usually in March–April, and summer jobs generally take place during the school summer holidays.

The Employment Coach provides support and guidance in different employment-related situations. Employment coaching is intended for residents aged 18–64 who need support in finding employment, staying in work, or identifying the services that best meet their needs.

- Employment Planner Päivi Kokkonen **040 035 6422**
- Employment coach, puh. **040 644 1893**

OSMANPESÄ COACHING CENTER

Osmanpesä Coaching Center (formerly the Youth Workshop) provides youth workshop activities under the Youth Act. The center offers work coaching, individual coaching, wellness coaching, and team coaching for young people.

Work coaching gives young people opportunities to gain work experience, complete studies, develop work-life skills, and explore different occupations when considering career choices or a change of field. Wellness coaching focuses on everyday well-being. It includes learning to prepare healthy meals, encouraging physical activity, enjoying nature, and supporting young people with challenges related to sleep, daily routines, and concentration.

Team coaching helps young people become part of a group and community, strengthens self-confidence and self-awareness, and develops communication and teamwork skills needed in everyday life.

The Individual Coach supports and complements all coaching services, working alongside the young person throughout the coaching period. The main learning environments at the Coaching Center include the media, metalwork, maintenance, and nutrition workshops, the Recycling Center, and outdoor learning environments. When needed, coaching can also be provided in local businesses and municipal departments.

- Osmanpesä coaching center coordinator Niina Summanen **040 021 9356**
- Metalwork Workshop Coach Ville Bäck, **040 685 5485**
- Media Workshop Coach Jouni Alaraatikka, **040 653 0286**
- Nutrition Workshop Coach Reeta Jylhä **040 481 0656**
- Maintenance Workshop Coach Ari Järvenpää **040 187 8922**

RECYCLING CENTER, VIHREÄ AHMA AND HOBBY EQUIPMENT LENDING SERVICE

The Kittilä Recycling Center operates under the municipality's Technical Department.

The center receives, sorts, and sells usable household items, clothing, and furniture.

Kittilä Recycling Center also provides training aimed at employment and education.

Items are donated from the center to various charitable causes, mainly to people in need in Kittilä, families with children, and organisations providing public benefit activities such as daycares and children's and youth hobby groups.

- Kittilä Recycling Center **040 830 8803**
- Coordinator Niina Summanen **040 021 9356**

The Vihreä Ahma Recycling Shop is located in the village center and also serves as a training and learning environment where students can complete vocational studies and gain experience of working life. The shop offers a wide selection of clothing, dishes, household items, Kittilä-themed products, and a dedicated play area for children.

The Hobby Equipment Lending Service operates at the Vihreä Ahma Recycling Shop and is available during the shop's opening hours: Monday to Thursday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Residents can borrow hobby and recreational equipment free of charge. Equipment cannot be reserved in advance. The maximum loan period is two weeks. Available equipment includes skiing equipment, ice skates, sliding snowshoes, kettlebells, snowshoes, ice-fishing rods and augers, a sewing machine, a guitar, painting easels, and camping equipment.

- Vihreä Ahma recycling shop / Hobby Equipment Lending Service **040 671 9951**
- Shop Manager **040 541 0699**

KIDEVE BUSINESS SERVICES

Kideve Business Services is the economic development unit of the Municipality of Kittilä. Its mission is to strengthen the region's competitiveness and support the development of the Kittilä area. Kideve provides information and advice on entrepreneurship and business services, supports both existing and prospective entrepreneurs, and promotes networking through events and activities for local businesses.

Kideve's office is located in the basement of the Kittilä Municipal Hall at Valtatie 15, 99100 Kittilä. After entering through the main entrance, turn left and follow the corridor to the office.

Advisory services are available both in person and remotely by phone, email, or Microsoft Teams. If you are interested in starting a business, visit Kideve's website for information and tips for new entrepreneurs, and contact us to arrange a free advisory meeting. More information: www.kideve.fi, contact details: www.kideve.fi/yhteystiedot.

5. FREE TIME

Wellbeing Coordinator Emma Luukko, **040 596 0953**

Family center coordinator Ritva Helin, **040 635 3176**

EXERCISE AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Nature plays an important role in leisure time in Kittilä.

Hiking trails, nature paths, lean-tos, wilderness huts, hunting and fishing opportunities, as well as skiing and snowmobiling in winter, encourage residents and visitors to enjoy the outdoors. In late summer and autumn, forests and wetlands offer opportunities for berry and mushroom picking. Gathering natural foods provides both exercise and fresh local produce. Kittilä also has several municipal playgrounds and outdoor play areas, as well as the Church Park in the village center, which is maintained by the parish.



Kittilä offers a wide range of sports and outdoor activities. The municipality maintains snowmobile routes, ski tracks, and nature trails for year-round recreation. Local sports clubs and associations offer activities for people of all ages, including children with special support needs. The sports hall in the village center, together with the gyms at Lukkarin School, Kittilä Upper Secondary School, and Sirkan School, hosts a variety of sports and fitness groups. The Ounasjoki River and local lakes provide opportunities for canoeing, paddleboarding, fishing, and swimming. Residents can usually purchase discounted season ski passes for Levi Ski Resort and discounted tickets for Levi Hotel Spa through the Municipality of Kittilä's online store.

In the village center, there is a 9-hole disc golf course, a beach and winter swimming area, a fitness trail that serves as a ski track in winter, an athletics field with outdoor fitness equipment, and an artificial-turf football field. The ice rink and outdoor ice areas are available for skating and ice hockey. The Kittilä school campus also includes a children's play area, an outdoor gym, climbing structures, a basketball court, and a parkour course. During the snow-free season, Paartoselkä offers 20 permanent orienteering checkpoints. Orienteering maps are available from the municipal sports services.

Levi, Finland's largest year-round holiday resort, is located in the village of Sirkka and offers activities throughout the year. Winter activities include skiing, snowboarding, winter hiking, fat biking, snowshoeing, and sliding snowshoeing. During summer, popular activities include hiking, disc golf, downhill biking, mountain biking, and road cycling. Levi Activity Park features a children's traffic park, playground, bicycle pump track, skate park, trampoline park, and a multi-purpose games arena for football, basketball, and floorball. Sirkka also has the Levi Adventure Park, an 18-hole golf course, and Levi Hotel Spa.

Sirkan School has a small artificial-turf field and a gravel field the size of an ice hockey rink. During winter, the rink is used for skating. The school's outdoor sports facilities are open to the public outside school hours and after-school activities. Sports facilities are also available throughout Kittilä's villages. Lighted ski tracks can be found in Alakylä, Kallo, Kaukonen, Köngäs, Siitonen, Tepsa, Lompolon, Tepasto, and Pulju. Small ice rinks are located in Alakylä, Helppi, Kallo, and Kaukonen. Additional facilities include a mini rink in Kiistala, a sports field and skating area in Raattama, a sports field in Kaukonen, shooting ranges in Kaukonen and Tepsa, and a cross-country skiing center in Siitonen.

SPORTS SERVICES

Sports Services maintains and develops the municipality's sports facilities, supports local sports clubs, and provides guided physical activities for people of all ages, including people with special support needs. In addition, Sports Services organizes events and projects in cooperation with various partners. The aim is to promote residents' health, well-being, and functional capacity, and to encourage an active lifestyle. Sports Services also offers free lifestyle counseling for working-age residents who are concerned about their health, well-being, or ability to cope with everyday life.

The Lifestyle Advisor provides information, guidance, and practical tips for making healthy lifestyle changes. The client is responsible for setting their own goals and making the changes that best suit their situation.

- Sports Secretary Juha Marletsuo **040 573 1123**
- Lifestyle advisor / Adaptive Physical Activity Instructor Pasi Juntunen **040 774 9743**

CULTURE

Kittilä's cultural services organize a wide range of cultural events and activities throughout the year, both independently and in cooperation with local cultural organizations and other partners. Activities are available for all ages, including children and families. Cultural programmes are also occasionally offered for children in early childhood education and schools during the school day.

Kino Yläri (Valtatie 9A) regularly screens films for children and young people. The Kittilä Local Heritage Museum, located in Pakatti, is open during the summer season. During the summer, the museum also offers an escape room experience for the whole family. Reservations can be made through the Municipality of Kittilä's online store.

- Cultural Secretary Jaana Hokkanen **040 568 1356**
- Cultural Assistant Jenniina Jylhä **040 353 4316**

LIBRARY

Kittilä Municipal Library will serve customers in comfortable temporary premises during 2026. The temporary library's children's and youth section offers an extensive and diverse collection. In addition to books and comics, the collection includes magazines, board games, console games, films, music, and audiobooks. The library also organizes activities for children, including story times and other events. Unfortunately, computers for children and young people will not be available in the temporary premises. Kittilä Library is an open and safe place where children can, for example, spend time after school while waiting for their parents to return home. Children are welcome to spend time at the library, do their homework, and enjoy their own snacks.

- Linnatie 2, 99100 Kittilä, **040 728 5733**, kirjasto@kittila.fi
- Library Director Noora Mustajoki, **040 506 0042**

REVONTULI INSTITUTE

Revontuli Institute is a joint adult education center serving the municipalities of Enontekiö, Kittilä, and Sodankylä. It offers a wide range of courses and hobby opportunities for people of all ages in Kittilä's village center and surrounding villages. Courses are available for everyone, from babies to grandparents, and there are also activities for the whole family. For the youngest children, the institute offers activities such as music playgroups, children's dance, and art classes. For school-aged children, Revontuli Institute provides basic education in the arts, including music, circus arts, and dance. Physical activities are also an important part of the institute's programme. Courses range from wall climbing to ski school and are available for all age groups. Revontuli Institute also offers a wide selection of online courses.

- Kittilän office, Valtatie 82, 99100 Kittilä, **040 035 6433** ja **040 035 6435**.
- Principal Pasi Tanninen, **040 564 1435**, pasi.tanninen@revontuliopisto.fi

MEETING PLACES

Village Center (Kirkonkylä)

- Mondays 10:00 AM–1:00 PM: Parish Family Café on odd weeks at Serkku (Valtatie 26). A free lunch is available.
- Mondays 10:00 AM–1:00 PM: MLL Family Café on even weeks at the Sports Hall (Havutie 6). Affordable lunch available.
- Tuesdays 10:00 AM: Storytime at the Library (Linnatie 2).
- Thursdays on even-numbered weeks, 1:30 PM–3:00 PM: MLL Baby Café at Serkku (Valtatie 26).
- Sundays 10:00 AM–11:00 AM: Family Floorball/Sports Club at the Sports Hall (Havutie 6). Please check the WhatsApp group for confirmation.

Sirkka:

- The second Wednesday of each month, 5:00 PM–7:30 PM: Grandparents' Family Meet at Mäntymaja Daycare Center (Levin Ympäristie 1). A free dinner is provided. Please register in advance for catering purposes.
- Fridays 12:00 PM–2:00 PM: Baby Meet at Oravanpesä Daycare Center Hall (Ounasjoentie 23, Sirkka).
- Once a month on Fridays, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM: MLL Family Meet at Ailu Family Fun Play World.
- Saturdays 5:00 PM–6:30 PM: Family Floorball/Sports Club at Sirkan School Hall (Ounasjoentie 23). Please check MLL's Facebook page for confirmation.

Detailed information about meeting place activities is available on [these](#) websites and through the Meeting Places WhatsApp channel. You can join the WhatsApp channel by requesting an invitation link from the Family Center Coordinator at **040 635 3176**.

THIRD SECTOR (PARISH AND ORGANIZATIONS)

Kittilä has numerous associations and a parish that organize various activities and provide support for children, youth, and families:

- **Kittilä Parish** organizes family cafés, events, and activities for children, youth, and families. <https://www.kittilanseurakunta.fi/lapsille-ja-lapsiperheille> ja <https://www.kittilanseurakunta.fi/nuorille>
- **Kulttuurikattila ry** aims to increase access to art and culture, primarily in the Lapland region. It participates in implementing municipal cultural education plans and, through the *Matkalla* model, brings art and traditional culture workshops to children, youth, seniors, and other groups regardless of age or ability. *Kulttuurineuvola* provides ideas and tips for everyday life with babies and serves as a networking channel for families with infants. It includes three workshops: *Likellä* for 2-month-old babies, *Värikylpy* for 6-month-olds, and *Vauvasirkus* for 10-month-olds. Kulttuurikattila runs numerous projects annually and collaborates widely with different actors. <https://kulttuurikattila.fi/>
- **Mannerheim League for Child Welfare (MLL) Kittilä Local Association** organizes family cafés (alternating with the parish), baby cafés, activity meets, family meets, sports clubs, and various events. <https://kittila.mll.fi>
- **ELO – Association for Families of Children with Special Needs** is a peer support organization operating throughout Lapland. In Kittilä, ELO organizes hobby activities, events, and peer support groups. All activities are open to everyone, and everyone is welcome just as they are. <https://erityislastenomaiset.fi/tunturilappi>
- **The Neppari Project** provides easily accessible preventive support, guidance, and practical tools for parents of neurodiverse children, without waiting times. In Kittilä, Neppari organizes peer support groups for parents, individual guidance, and themed events. The project supports families through both everyday joys and challenges. You are not alone. <https://erityislastenomaiset.fi/neppari>

- **Kittilän Vesaiset** is part of a nationwide family organization that promotes shared experiences, joy, and togetherness. Activities include clubs, trips, cultural events, competitions, and camps. Vesaiset activities are open to everyone, and the organization's values are caring, community, and responsibility.
<https://www.vesaiset.fi/lapin-vesaisosastot/>
- **Scout Group Kätjän Kävijät ry** organizes scouting activities for children and young people of different age groups.
<https://katkankavija.wordpress.com/>
- **Kittilä 4H Association** organizes a variety of clubs led by trained instructors. Activities also include courses that encourage participants to explore 4H entrepreneurship.
<https://kittila.4h.fi/>
- **Kittilä Volunteer Fire Brigade Youth Section** offers school-aged children and young people an opportunity to learn about fire and rescue services through weekly training sessions, trips, and camps.
<https://www.kittilavpk.fi/vpkry/nuoriso-osasto-esittely-sisaltosivu>
- **Kittilän Palloseura (KiPS)** offers sports activities for all age groups, from juniors to seniors. Its main sports are ice hockey and football.
<https://www.kips.fi/>
- **Floorball Club SBC Levi** offers a wide range of recreational and competitive floorball activities for children, young people, and adults. Some groups are free of charge, including family floorball sessions for young children in Sirkka and Kittilä. Free hobby groups are also available for adults.
<https://sbclevi.fi>
- **Levi Ski Club ry** organizes coached activities for children and young people in a variety of snow sports, including alpine skiing, snowboarding, freestyle skiing, and slalom. Groups are available for both beginners and advanced participants.
www.leviskiclub.fi
- **Many other sports clubs also operate in Kittilä, offering a wide range of recreational and competitive sports opportunities.**
<https://kittila.fi/kulttuuri-ja-vapaa-aika/liikunta-ja-ulkoilu/urheiluseurat>

LAPLAND FIRST-STAGE HOME AND SHELTER SERVICES

Baby and Toddler Family Open Services:

Short-term, easily accessible discussion support for expectant parents and families with children aged 0–6. Support is available when everyday life feels challenging, parenting raises questions, or life with a baby is causing strain. You can seek support if you are concerned about your own coping, family relationships, a young child's sleep difficulties, or if you need practical ways to make daily life easier. Services are available by phone, through Microsoft Teams, or in person in Rovaniemi.

Appointments can be booked online at <https://omavaraus.fi/rs52jb9pa7> or by phone on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at **040 688 5693**.

Support is also available through remote peer support groups.

Email: avopalvelu@lapinentu.fi

Relationship and Domestic Violence Support Services

Support is available for challenges in family relationships and close personal relationships. Services include discussion support for relationship difficulties, separation situations, parenting, and family interaction. You can contact the service if you are experiencing relationship problems, parenting challenges, domestic violence, or the threat of violence. Support is available for families, adults, children aged 7–12, and young people aged 13–17. Appointments are available in person or remotely: Monday–Thursday: 8:00 AM–6:00 PM, Friday: 8:00 AM–3:00 PM

Address: Kairatie 75 D, 3. floor

Phone: **040 631 0122**

Email: lahisuhdetyo@lapinentu.fi

Online booking: <https://omavaraus.fi/rs52jb9pa7>

Tuulia Open Service

Short-term, easily accessible discussion support during pregnancy and for parents of children aged 0–6. Support is available if you are concerned about your own, your partner's, or a close family member's substance use, or if challenges such as low mood, loneliness, or difficulties in social situations are affecting your well-being. Support is also available for parents whose own childhood experiences continue to affect their parenting. Services are available by phone, through Microsoft Teams, or in person in Rovaniemi.

Phone: **040 081 4946**

Online booking: <https://omavaraus.fi/rs52jb9pa7>

Email: **avopalvelu@lapinentu.fi**

Crisis Center and Entrepreneur Crisis Support

Free short-term crisis support for adults experiencing a crisis or difficult life situation. Support is available by phone, in person, or remotely. No referral is needed. Appointments are available:

Monday–Thursday: 8:00 AM–6:00 PM and Friday: 8:00 AM–2:00 PM

Phone: **040 553 7508**

Online booking: <https://omavaraus.fi/rs52jb9pa7>

Address: Kairatie 75 D, 3. floor

Shelter in Rovaniemi

The shelter provides help 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for anyone experiencing domestic violence or the threat of violence. You can come alone or with your children at any time, day or night. The service is free of charge.

Phone: **040 584 0021**

Email: **turvakoti@lapinentu.fi**

Address: Lähteentie 5, 96400 Rovaniemi

Aggredi Lapland Project (2024–2026)

Aggredi provides individual psychosocial support for people who have used violence or who are at risk of using violence outside the home. The aim is to reduce and prevent violent behaviour.

Address: Pohjolankatu 4 L3, 96100 Rovaniemi

Phone: **044 474 4050**

6. DIGITAL SERVICES

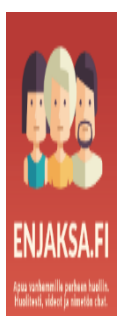


Do you need support with everyday life, parenting, or your relationship? [Perheohjaamo](https://lapha.fi/perheohjaamo) (Family Guidance Service) offers confidential one-time discussion support for parents of children and young people. Read more and book an appointment:

<https://lapha.fi/perheohjaamo>



["Ask for help" services](https://lapha.fi/pyyda-apua) is an easily accessible digital support channel for young people and families with children. Its aim is to provide support and help you find the right services and assistance. More information: [www.lapha.fi/pyyda-apua](https://lapha.fi/pyyda-apua) and www.kittila.fi/pyyda-apua



[Enjaks.fi](https://lapha.fi/enjaks.fi) is a service for parents that includes a self-assessment tool for concerns and videos created by professionals with practical tips for family life challenges. The service also offers the "Help for Worries" chat, where you can anonymously discuss your concerns with a professional on Mondays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Tuesdays from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Wednesdays from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (also available in Northern Sami and as a culturally sensitive service), Thursdays from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Nepsy Chat, and Fridays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The chat is also available at: [www.lapha.fi/apua-huoliin](https://lapha.fi/apua-huoliin)



[Normaali.fi](https://lapha.fi/normaali.fi) is a service for young people that includes a self-assessment tool for concerns and videos created by professionals on topics related to young people's lives. The service also offers the "Help for Worries" chat, where you can anonymously discuss your concerns with a professional. The chat is available on Mondays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Tuesdays from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Wednesdays from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, and in the Sexual Health Counseling Chat on Wednesdays from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. On Thursdays, the chat is available from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (also offering services in Northern Sami and culturally sensitive support) and from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Nepsy Chat. On Fridays, the chat is available from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The chat is also available at: [www.lapha.fi/apua-huoliin](https://lapha.fi/apua-huoliin)



[Nepsy-chat](https://lapha.fi/nepsy-chat) provides guidance and advice on neurodiversity-related topics every Thursday from 15:00 to 17:00. More information: <https://lapha.fi/nepsy-chat>

7. SERVICE GUIDANCE

Is there something on your mind or causing concern?

You can contact the Family Guidance and Counseling Service for Families with Children whenever you have questions or concerns. We provide guidance, advice, and support, and help you find the services that best meet your needs. Depending on your situation, these services may be provided by the Wellbeing Services County, municipalities, parishes, or organizations. The service is free of charge and confidential.

You can contact us, for example, if:

- you are unsure where to seek help
- your family is facing challenges in everyday life or needs support
- you are struggling to cope
- you are concerned about a child or young person
- you are experiencing relationship difficulties or separation

The service is intended for families with children under the age of 18, families expecting a child, and relatives and other people close to children, young people, and families.

We also provide guidance and counseling for professionals. We offer information about services for children, young people, and families, help professionals connect families with appropriate services, and provide support in discussing concerns and, when necessary, helping those concerns move forward. Guidance and counseling for professionals is available to everyone working with children, young people, and families.

Contact the Family Guidance and Counseling Service for Families with Children: **040 640 4028**

Phone service hours:

- Monday: 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
- Wednesday: 3:00 PM–6:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM–12:00 PM (*also available in Northern Sami and as a culturally sensitive service*)
- Friday: 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

8. MAPS



KITTILÄ

Schools and daycare centers in Alakylä, Kaukonen and Raattama:

1. Daycare center Raattama
2. Kaukonen elementary school and daycare center
3. Alakylä elementary school and daycare center



KITTILÄ SIRKKA

1. Elementary school
2. Daycare center Oravanpesä
3. Daycare center Mäntymaja

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4. Daycare center Kõngäs





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