

If there is one thing everyone can probably agree on after experiencing the past year, it is that families need to continue to celebrate milestones together. Even if that includes just your immediate family or those within your inner circle. The opportunities to celebrate are not going away in 2021! Thankfully, there are so many trends that allow you to celebrate these milestones according to your comfort level.

Movie Nights are a classic party theme that are loved by all! Our families do regular movie nights and one favorite of our kids and memory for us as parents is breaking out our old-fashioned popcorn machine! Print movie tickets, make it a "night at the drive-in" and let your kids create their own cardboard box car, have a "popcorn station" with different toppings. It's easy, inexpensive and the memories will be priceless. With sunshine and warmer temps just around the corner, you can even host a movie night outdoors.

Another one of our favorite trends that will be popular in 2021 is a Camp Out theme. There are no shortages of fun for this party and guests can camp-out or GLAMP-IN! Go on a scavenger hunt, play capture the flag and other outdoor games, paint birdhouses, make friendship bracelets, set up a hotdog bar so guests can dress their own dog, roast marshmallows and have a s'mores station. Just like Movie Nights this theme is gender neutral!

Another hot trend that is especially popular with teens is a Spa Night! There are so many ways you can put a fun twist on this theme. Drop fruit or cucumber slices into water goblets, give the girls matching pajamas or robes and twirl their hair in a towel for a fun night of pampering! Manicures and pedicures will bring lots of laughs as they play the game "spin the nail polish bottle" and put on facial masks.

Other top trends of 2021? Mermaids, Unicorns, Superheroes and Star Wars are all hot trends this year. Choosing a theme is one of the most important decisions you will make as you plan. It sets the tone for the entire party. It is your compass as you piece everything else together - decorations, food served, and activities planned. How do you choose

a theme? Take your cue from the guest of honor! What does your child love? Selecting a theme that brings your child joy will not only make it easier on you, but even more importantly, more memorable for your child.

