Accidental injuries are the leading cause of death among children ages 1 to 19 years old. Each year, about 8.7 million children visit the emergency room for unintentional injuries. Many of these injuries happen at home. Common causes include falls, burns, drowning, and poisoning.

The good news is that most accidents can be prevented. Take action at home to protect your child.

1. **Avoid use of baby walkers.**
   They allow infants to move quickly and reach objects that are normally not accessible.

2. **Secure furniture and TVs to the wall or ground to prevent them from falling.**
   Your child climbing onto unstable furniture can cause serious injury and even death.

3. **Don’t hold your child while using the stove.**
   Only use the back burner of your stove and turn handles away from the edge. Keep hot foods away from the edge of tables and counters.

4. **Make sure your child is buckled into highchairs.**
   The tray is not enough to restrain your child.

5. **Label medications and store them in locked cabinets.**
   If you keep cleaning solutions under the sink, have a child safety lock on the cabinet door.

6. **Never leave your child alone around water.**
   Babies can drown in just 1 inch of water. Keep young children within an arm’s reach. Empty the tub as soon as bath time is over.
TRY FRUITS AND VEGGIES THAT ARE IN SEASON

Spring and summer bring an abundance of bright fruits and vegetables:

- Tomatoes
- Watermelon
- Bell peppers
- Lychee
- Bok choy

Seasonal produce is fresher and often cheaper. Check out a farmers market or neighborhood street vendors for the best local finds. Produce from local markets travel less distance and have fewer negative effects on the environment.

Make grocery shopping a family outing and teach your kids about the importance of eating fruits and veggies. Eating in season is better for your taste buds, wallet, and the earth.

WATERMELON AND LIME ICE POPS

MAKES 8 ICE POPS

What you need:
- 4 cups cubed watermelon (about 1 pound, no skin)
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lime juice
- Ice pop molds or small paper cups

Blend the watermelon and lime juice until smooth. Pour the mixture into the molds or cups. Freeze until solid.

TIP
- Aim for 5 servings or 2 ½ cups of fruits and vegetables per day.
- A serving is about the size of your fist.
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– Ms. Li, 36 years old, Internal Medicine Patient

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