

New Kids on the Block Daycare

What to Bring

At New Kids on the Block Daycare, we believe that when children are well prepared with the appropriate items and clothing, they are able to get the most out of their day. This means that children have what they need throughout the day to keep hydrated, clean and are not over or under dressed and that all clothing suits the weather conditions. We ask that the following items be brought:

- For these still in diapers, please bring
 - Diapers/Pull ups and Wipes
 - Diapering Cream
- Full sets of extra clothing (pants, shirt, underwear, socks, shoes)
- Outdoor shoes
- Cup with lid or water bottle
- Weather-appropriate outdoor clothing for all seasons
- A muddy buddy is highly recommended
- If toilet learning – extra set of clothing with underwear, socks, spare pair of shoes. All clothing should promote independence (e.g. are easy to get on/off)
- Bicycle helmet (children are not permitted on bike/trike without a helmet). Helmets are not permitted to be shared
- For children still requiring a nap, small blanket and stuff animal (if child uses ones)
- Emergency comfort kit

Seasonal Clothing

In terms of clothing, it is best to have children dressed appropriately in clothing that fits, are comfortable and that they are able to manage themselves. This encourages independence and a sense of accomplishment when they are able to manage themselves.

Always have spare clothing for your child in case of unexpected changes in weather (particularly during changes in seasons) and in case of unexpected events (e.g. accidents while potty training). It is mandatory that children go outside everyday unless severe weather conditions prevent outdoor play. Therefore, it is important to have appropriate seasonal clothing. Here are a few suggestions for dressing your child in weather appropriate clothing:

Seasons

Items Needed

Winter

- Winter Boots
- Winter Coat
- Winter hat, mittens/gloves (an extra set is recommended)
- Muddy buddy
- Sunscreen (if UV index is high)
- Extra full set of clothes (weather appropriate)

Spring / Fall

- Rain Jacket or transitional jackets
- Rain boots
- Splash pants
- Extra full set of clothes (weather appropriate)
- Muddy buddy

Summer

- Sunscreen
- Sun hat
- Water bottle

- Extra full set of clothes (weather appropriate)
- NO sandals/crocs/flip flops

Emergency Comfort Kit

In the event of a major emergency such as an earthquake, we want to ensure your child is cared for at all times. This specially designed kit contains items to help soothe your child in an emergency. These kits will be stored at a center and returned to you when your child no longer attends New Kids on the Block Daycare:

- In a large, clear re-sealable bag, labelled with your child's name, please pack the following items:
- 2 or 3 individual sealed snacks (e.g. granola bars, fruit leathers, raisins, etc.)
- Emergency space blanket
- One light stick
- A small stuffed animal, toy or game
- Small package of facial tissue
- A small plastic bottle of water
- 1-2 diapers/pull-ups if needed
- family photograph
- comfort note – handwritten by parent or guardian to reassure your child that you will pick them up as soon as you can, and/or other words of comfort