

Welcome to the MTJB Toddler Program

Here are a few helpful tips before starting in the Toddler Room!

Items to bring:

- Blanket (if they have a special one)
- Diapers/pull-ups and wipes (May bring a large amount)
- Diapering cream or ointment (if needed)
- Full sets of extra seasonal clothing (at least two changes of clothes)
- If toilet learning; 5 changes of clothing, underwear, socks, and a pair of shoes. All clothing should promote independence (i.e. pants that are easy to pull up and down).
- Weather appropriate outdoor clothing for all seasons (Hats, Splash suits / Muddy Buddies for wet weather and snowsuits for the winter months are needed)

Please label all necessities you bring. Mabel's Labels are great labels that stick well. When supplies run low (diapers, wipes etc.) a notification will be sent through Hi Mama indicating it is time to replenish supplies.

Each child in the program will have a cubby space for their personal belongings. We will do our best to keep track and help the children keep track of their items however we are not responsible for lost articles.

In the Toddler Program, the children sleep on rest cots within the program space. Our staff members sit with the children rubbing their backs while the lullaby music plays.

Toilet training is a major learning experience that occurs while children are in child care. M.T.J.B. staff are in a unique position to assist with children's toilet training skills. At daycare, your Toddler sees other children visiting the bathroom as part of our daily routine. This can create a powerful incentive and example. Shared experience with peers can benefit the child by helping boost the child's interest and desire to learn this skill. That being said, we encourage peer observation/participation of toilet training practices (i.e. sitting on the potties as a group) while remaining sensitive at all times to the privacy needs of the children. Toddler sized toilets and sinks also make the process much less intimidating.

Here is a little overview of our day:

Morning snack - 8:30 a.m.

Outside time - 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.

Lunch - 11:00 a.m.

Nap – 11:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Afternoon snack - 2:30 p.m.

Outside - 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*This is a general outline of a schedule. *

We hope to make this transition as smooth as possible. We love to keep parents updated through a phone call to the centre, the Hi Mama app, and our program Facebook pages.

We are looking forward to spending our days with your child!

Your MTJB Team