Bridlewood Child Learning Centre



Toddler Program Room #1

The Bumblebee Room

Welcome to the bumblebee classroom at Bridlewood Child Learning Centre. Our room is licensed for 15 toddlers between the ages of 12 to 36 months. We have three full time early childhood educators and one permanent split shift staff. Our ratio is 1:5. The children are separated into three groups according to their levels of development, this group is linked with one of our full time staff. This teacher will do group work , one on one activities and share lunch with your child each day. Although your child is linked to one teacher in the room the other staff do still interact with your child and are made aware of any incidents that occur throughout the day.

Each child in the bumblebee classroom has an assigned cubby in the coat room, where they may leave knapsacks and any items needed for outdoor play. Within our classroom your child has to sets of baskets. The baskets right inside the door are used for personal items from home and an extra change of clothes. The baskets in our washroom are used for diapers and anything that your child requires during changing routines.

You will also notice right inside of the classroom on a shelf the children's communication books. These books are filles out daily and are filed according to your child's teacher. These books are a reference to what your child's day was like while he/she was in our care. We will inform you of how your child ate, how well they slept and if they have had a bowel movement. We may also make general comments on how there overall day was things they enjoyed working on that day. Next to your child's communication book you will find an open binder. Here you will find all of the activities we did during the day, centres that were opened, our project work and things that we did in our outdoor playground. Please take time to read this each day, to familiarize yourself of what goes on in your child's classroom. We also use this book to inform you of any changes or request we may have.

Our program follows a Reggio Emillia Curriculum. Instead of themes we respond and initiate ideas that are set forth by the children. All projects are documented through photos, descriptions and art work. We will continually inform you of our progress and changes.

Please keep in mind that Bridlewood Child Learning Centre is a NUT FREE environment. Due to peanut and many other allergies we ask that no food from home gets brought into the centre.

Bridlewood Child Learning Centre and the Bumblebee room are computer interactive. If you ever want to drop a line our address is toddlers@bridlewoodchildlearningcentre.com. We would love to hear from you! Please feel free to exchange emails with us so we can send pictures of things that your child enjoys doing while here at daycare. If you ever have questions or concerns please address them with any of the classroom staff in person or in writing. We intend on working together as a team for your children.

Items That Your Child Will Need

Please supply your child with at least four diapers a day. We have three set diaper changing routines and need at least one extra for the unexpected. We suggest that you bring in a full bag of diapers and we will let you know when they are running low.

A pair of velcro runners or shoes. As we do try to promote help self skill, and this makes transition time from outdoors to indoors a lot smoother.

Please supply an extra change of clothes for your child. For example in the summer a pair of shorts a t-shirt and socks, and in the winter an extra pair of pants, a sweater, and socks.

Everyday at 12:30pm the children go down for a nap, your child is welcome to bring in a sleep toy or special blanket to feel a little more at ease during this time.

Outdoor wear is very important, we go outside every day (weather permitting). Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately according to the season and that days forecast. Sunhats are extremely important for the summer and a warm snowsuit is essential for the winter.

Any item of clothing that your child will be wearing at the daycare must be labeled. We have many children within the daycare and items sometimes do get misplaced. Having your child's name labeled on their clothing will help reduce the number of missing items.

For the summer months please supply your child with a bottle of sunscreen. The sunscreen must be at least SPF 30 and waterproof. No coloured sunscreen please as it tends to stain some clothing.

Room #1 - Daily Schedule

7:00a.m. Day Care Opens. All children accepted into room #3

7:15a.m. Toddlers move down to room #1

7:30a.m. Free play

8:15a.m. Snack

8:45a.m. Toilet routine

9:00a.m. Inside play and project work

10:15a.m. Mid-morning snack and circle time

10:30a.m. Outdoor play (weather permitting)

11:20a.m. Prepare for lunch

11:30a.m. Lunch

12:20p.m. Toilet routine

12:30p.m. Sleep time

2:30p.m. Rise and shine, toilet routine

3:00p.m. Snack time

3:30p.m. Free play

4:00p.m. Outdoor play (weather permitting)

5:00p.m. Quiet activities

5:30p.m. Toddler children join preschool rooms

5:45p.m. Departure. Centre closed.