



## Snow Clothes

Dear Parents,

If you have not done so already, the following description of snow clothes is what we would like to see at Play Date. Please keep in mind, we have requested specific items for the ease of your child dressing and for the teachers who must assist 40+ children in dressing. It is not an easy undergoing, but it is worth it!

Please **NO Fleece or Knitted** clothing especially **gloves or mittens**! One fall into the snow and your child transforms into a snowman (the powder sticks to fleece and soaks through the knitting), very uncomfortable.

- 1. <u>MITTENS</u>: Please bring waterproof mittens (preferred over five finger-glove style). Please label each mitten with your **child's first name** on the <u>outside</u> with a permanent marker. We have metallic colored pens that work well with black material.
- 2. <u>SNOW PANTS</u>: Please bring waterproof snow pants, preferably overall style with a front bib or full body. Your child will be rolling in the snow and the overall style or full body suit prevents icy snow from creeping up their backs. Burrr! Please label with your child's first name near the back tag with a permanent marker.
- 3. <u>JACKETS</u>: Please bring a waterproof jacket, preferably with a hood. Please label with your child's first name near the back tag with a permanent marker.
- 4. <u>HATS</u>: If the jackets provided do not have hoods, please bring a warm hat, preferably one that straps or ties under the chin. These styles will surely keep those ears from freezing. Of course, fleece or knitted hats are O.K. since that is what the market offers. Please label with your child's first name on the tag.
- 5. <u>BOOTS</u>: Please <u>bring</u> waterproof boots (to stay at preschool) and <u>send your child in regular shoes</u>. We do many movement games indoors during the winter and the boots are too heavy and cumbersome. We prefer boots that Velcro or Zip over lace up boots. Again, it goes back to 40+ children = 80+ laces for teachers to tie and we would rather be playing in the snow A.S.A.P.! Please label with your child's first name on the outside of each boot with a permanent marker.

Yes, you may leave the snow clothes here at the Preschool. Actually, we hope that you will. Since it is a State requirement that all children have outdoor play time (as weather permits) leaving the snow clothes will insure that your child gets to go out and we are in compliance. Our outside time during snow season will change to 1 hour in the late morning and indoor centers during the afternoon after rest time. If you should bring your child to preschool after 10:30am, please be prepared to dress your child in their snow clothes since there will no longer be an extra teacher available to dress them for you.