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ARDSLEY DAY CARE CENTER'S
WELCOME PACKET

THE CARE BEAR ROOM
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**PLEASE MAKE A HABIT OF READING THE DOOR AND PROCARE MESSAGES
AND EMAILS FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!**

Dear Parents:

Welcome to the Care Bear Room! We are looking forward to caring for your child. We would like you to become familiar with our staff and with some information on what is done in our room as well as some of the things your child will be doing.

General Information:

Please wash your child's hands in the bathroom across the hall before handing your child over to the staff.

We use the **PROCARE APP** for most correspondence. Please sign your child in and out daily using the **QR Code** located on the classroom door.

If your child will be **absent**, please call us before **9 a.m.** or send a **message through Procare**

Parents and teachers can communicate throughout the day using the messages part of the app. Please keep in mind that the staff are working and playing with your child and may not see your message until they have time to leave the group and check them. Email is always an option too.

The Room is divided into two sections; an older infant side and a younger infant side. Once a child is crawling they are moved to the older side for the safety of the younger infants. These children have an informal circle time where the teacher sings songs and uses picture cards to enhance language development. They also learn to use simple sign language. The older infants have numerous toys to play with and to help them explore.

The younger infants are rotated from the exersaucers and floor time. The staff encourages them to roll over, sit up, etc. as they are developmentally ready. The infant's feeding schedule is based on the last time they were fed at home. It is very important that you fill in the time of their last bottle on the Baby Talk. Infants must have their first bottle at home.

Bottles will be refrigerated and warmed if necessary. **Please label all items that your child brings in from home.** Bottles (filled) and lunches must be brought in on a daily basis.

Breakfast and 1st Bottle should be done at home.

Children have a locker inside the room for their coats, clothes and extra supplies. We go outside twice a day so please make sure your child has the appropriate clothing. This includes socks and shoes for those walking and crawling and foot coverings for those not mobile as yet.

Please refer to the Care Bear Achievements given to you when your child started!

We are looking forward to helping you care for your child!

The Care Bear Staff

CARE BEAR NEWS

C - aregivers help your child grow and learn

A - lways read your Baby Talk Slips.

R - emember to **LABEL, LABEL, LABEL.**

E - ven babies have a bad night sometimes. Please inform our staff of any problems.

B - irthdays can be celebrated with a special treat. Let the staff know beforehand if you wish to do so.

E - valuations are done three times a year; Fall, Winter and Spring.

A - nytime of the day you could hear music, an important part of your child's day.

R - eading stories is done as a group and with the individual child.

N - ewsletters are sent through e-mail and are available on our website each month! Look for all the exciting accomplishments of the babies!

E - vents are planned throughout the year! Be sure you read the News Board outside the door to keep abreast of all that is happening!

W - e go outside (weather permitting) every day. Please dress your child appropriately. Shoes & Socks!

S - o remember we will work with you to help ensure your child's well being!

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Dear Parents:

Would you be interested in becoming our classroom parent? It's a wonderful way to assist the teachers and get to know other parents. Below is what is needed from the classroom parent.

1. Help with preparations for special events and classroom projects.
2. Organize gift giving for teachers for Christmas and End of Year.
3. Assist with fundraisers.
4. Be a "Welcome Parent" for new families in your child's room. We would give you their phone number to call and welcome them and answer any questions they might have.

If you have any questions, we will be glad to answer them. The list above should not take up too much of your time. We appreciate any help you can give.

NOTE: All of the above can be joint responsibilities.

Thank you!

_____ Room Staff

Please complete and return as soon as possible. If you are interested you will be contacted once all forms are returned.

Child's name: _____ Room: _____

Parent (Guardian's)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

_____ YES! I would be interested.

_____ NO! I cannot help at this time.