

# The Great Outdoors



Hello Families ♥ Our outdoor play has begun! What you can't see in the pictures above are happy faces and lots of trial and error that happened when trying to get the trucks to run down the ramp. This is learning! This is Play! We are digging in sand boxes, running through wet grass, climbing, biking, running, all sorts of things that help our muscles to grow so we can do fine motor work (Eventually! Children must develop gross motor skills before fine motor skills). We have GREATLY enjoyed everyone having boots on and we thank you for supporting us in this.

Let's set our kids up for success even more so they can freely explore and develop as they were meant to.

What does this mean? As the weather is quickly becoming NW Washington Rainy season (for the next 6 months), let's see if we can get each child in to an all weather suit so they can enjoy the outdoors every day.

Here are some ideas:

#1) The Tuffo Suit. They are available online and at consignment shops. They are easy for your child and their teachers to get on and off quickly and provide a quick dry layer to keep your child protected. As the weather gets colder, warm layers can easily go underneath keeping your child warm and dry. They range in price from \$20-30 dollars, cheaper at consignment stores.



#2 Traditional Rain Suit, Water Proof Jacket and Pants. I know some families have found some online, I believe they were \$10 each piece. Again, these are easy to get on and off, and as it gets colder, warm layers can easily go underneath to keep your child warm and dry.



## Some Quick Tips:

\*Keeping it here at school is really helpful to us, it ensures it is available when needed. If it will be traveling home and back again, PLEASE be sure to send it to school with your child.

\*You can keep a simple bag (even a grocery sack) with your child's extra outdoor gear here on their hook.

\*Please be sure to label ALL items as children often forget or are unsure of which items are theirs. It also helps us know what you wish your child to wear. In addition, many children end up with the same gear (Hello Costco Sale!) So it helps with confusion.

Need Help? We are here!

We can help supply the suites as needed. There will be a sign up sheet at the sign in table or you can drop me a quick note. Please list your child's name if you are in need of help obtaining one, and we will put our supper supportive helpers on it.

As Always, Thank you for sharing your beautiful children with us!