

**Vancouver Hebrew Academy**  
**PreSchool 3 and 4**

**Getting Ready for Preschool**

Dear Parents,

As you prepare for the exciting new preschool year, we would like to share our vision for success for your preschooler.

The first few weeks of preschool we will be working towards independent self-care, which is a foundation for all early learning experiences. With this in mind, we would encourage you to practice these skills at home in preparation for preschool. This includes putting on and taking off shoes, and opening and closing lunch boxes and food containers. This will ease the daily routine and transitions for your child in preschool.

**Within the first week of school, please bring the following items to school:**

- A complete, labeled set of clothes in a labeled zip-lock bag (top, bottom, socks, underwear, tights/leggings)
- A set of either velcro close or slip on in-door shoes (no crocks or sandals please). No open toe shoes please.
- Five rolls of nickels for Tzedakah
- Smock or Dad's old shirt for messy art
- Muddy Buddy – for Vancouver rainy, outdoor play

**Earthquake Emergency Kit (Required by Community Care Licensing)**

**Please bring these items in a large zip-lock bag the first day of school:**

2 snacks (nut-free snacks that your child will eat)  
family photo – or something familiar that will bring comfort to your child  
small flashlight  
hard candies (for comfort and energy)  
small water bottle  
2 liters of bottled water  
2 cans non - perishable food  
1 box of granola bars/crackers  
1 solar blanket  
small toy/small book

Thank you.

The Preschool Team