



White Peony Care

Waldorf inspired / RIE
In-home Care for
Infants + Toddlers

~ Welcome Families ~

White Peony Infant / Toddler Day Program
Monday Wednesday Friday
9am to 2pm
Beginning Monday April 27th

Are you looking for a **sweet, cosy Waldorf inspired and RIE based care** option for your **18 month to 2.5 year old** ? White Peony Care would love to be a part of your child's daily rhythm and developmental journey through the early years.

About White Peony Care:

I am Hanna, a mother with 20 years of experience working with babies to older children as caregiver, nanny in foreign countries, and Waldorf + Montessori Early Childhood teacher for in-home programs. Additionally, I have five years experience offering therapeutic Cranial Sacral Therapy + movement education for babies and children. Currently I will be at home with my one year old for the next year until May 2021. We invite 2-3 additional children into our home for regular weekly nurturing play time together.

Details :

Daily Rhythm

We will have a consistent daily rhythm with eating, sleeping, indoor and outdoor play to support and meet your child's physical, emotional and spiritual development. Song, oral stories and free movement expression are woven throughout the day to co-create a magical experience with each other and the natural world

Outline of the Day :

9am - Arrival / Snack / Free Play

930am – Music / Song / Movement in group

10am – Indoor or outdoor sensory play – Natural materials / Sand box / Garden time

11am – Transition to Lunch / Story time

1130-12 noon - Lunch time

1230pm – 1pm or 3pm – Resting time / Napping / Listen to music

1pm – 3pm – Resting time / Snack / Free Play

Activities We Love

Play Ukelele, Songs / Oral Storytelling about the Natural world and Seasonal cycles, Silk Dancing, Sandbox play, Trips to the Garden, Beads and Strings, Blocks, Crayon / Drawing, Free Play + Expression, Climbing, Finding Inner / Outer Balance, Smelling the Flowers

Philosophy / Approach to Care

My approach to care for young ones is centered around slowing down, simplicity style-parenting and cultivating heart connection with each child and the natural world. I offer children a grounded loving presence that naturally allows each child to be who they truly are. At times that may include many uncomfortable feelings or dynamics, however as caregiver I practice returning to firm and loving boundaries for each child as they go through the phases of each developmental stage. I believe JOY is our most natural state of being as humans, and especially our young children are here to teach us. I create safe wholesome environments to support children to thrive in creative imagination and free play. My philosophy is greatly inspired by Waldorf + RIE pedagogical models where a child's innate biological and social intelligence guides learning by encouraging self-directed free play. I am always open to conversation to offer support + resources for raising healthy, happy and resilient children. Please reach out with any further questions.

Meals / Daily Nourishment

We will provide 2-3 organic snacks per day for your child before and after lunch time. A metal bento-style lunch box for you to prepare your child's main meal in daily will be provided as a complementary gift to you as well as a list of wholesome food choices to send with your child.

Diapering / Toilet Training

Where ever your child is at with learning how to toilet train is welcome. We will make a regular rhythm of checking in with the children who need lots of reminders to use the toilet. With positive encouragement for all, the children will practice and learn this essential skill from one another.

Tuition / Rates / Hours

Tuition rate is \$16/ hourly. There is a 5% discount is available when paying in full at the beginning of each month. Two installment payment is also available with tuition due on 1st and 15th of every month.

Families may choose between a short day (4 hours) or full day (6 hours.) All days begin at 9am, ending at 1pm or 2pm.

Location :

Our in-home program is located in SW Portland near Tryon Creek State Park, Multnomah Village and PCC Sylvania. We live in a forested area of the city and benefit from the benevolence of our tree friends. Approximately 15 minute from Sellwood or Downtown and 20-25 to the NE/ SE side of the Willamette River.

Assistant teacher

Alder MacDonald, our neighbor Grandmother with many years experience with in-home child care and nannying will join us during the middle portion of the day, during meal time and transitions to rest or outdoor play.

Make- up Days

Up to two make-up days on Tuesdays or Thursdays are available for your child to come to White Peony Care when absent on regular MWF schedule due to family travels, illness etc. Must make pre-arrangements for make-up days.

Resources

Recommended Reading :

[Simplicity Parenting](#) by John Kim Payne

[How to talk so your kids will listen, and Listen so your kids will talk](#) by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish

[Elevating Childcare : A Guide to Respectful Parenting](#) by Janet Lansbury

WECAN Waldorf Early Childhood Association <http://www.waldorfearlychildhood.org>

Resources for Infant Educators / RIE / Magda Gerber <https://www.magdagerber.org>

Vacation / Break weeks

The following break weeks will take place during the course of the year. Please make note.

June 14th-28th 2020

July 26th – August 9th 2020

August 31st -September 6th 2020

November 23rd -29th 2020

December 20th 2020 – January 3rd 2021

February 14th - 21st 2021

April 4th - 11th 2021

Change in Enrollment :

In the case that your families needs for care changes, I kindly request that you give atleast 6-8 weeks notice.

Application + Interview for New Families

Contact Hanna at johanna.wearsch@gmail.com for more information about application process + interview times

Interviews for interested families will begin on Wednesday April 1st.

References : It is very important to me that you contact those who I have been in community with for years caring for children and young families. Please reach out to these lovely parents ! Thank you.

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