

# Nursery Guidelines for Parents

We welcome your little one to the Nursery at SHBC! The nursery is for children ages 0-24 months.

**The following guidelines will help you have an excellent experience with the nursery:**

1. The nursery opens each week 15 minutes prior to the start of the service. Please do not leave your baby in the nursery unattended.
2. The nursery is a secure environment and is intended for babies and volunteers. If you wish to remain with your baby (feed/console), please let nursery volunteers know. Please leave the babies shoes on the shoe rack at the door.
3. Family security codes are provided on your baby's name tag and your corresponding tag at the child check-in station for secure pick up of your child at the end of the service and so volunteers can notify you if your baby is unhappy and cannot be consoled in a reasonable amount of time. Your number will be shown on the projector screens in the sanctuary if nursery volunteers need you to come to your baby's aid. **Please come immediately when you see your number.** Rather than entering the nursery when called, please use the parent's room to console your baby. If you and your baby wish to try again, you are welcome to sign him/her back into the nursery. For your child's safety, only people over the age of 16 with the corresponding tag are able to pick up children from the nursery area.
4. For the comfort and safety of all babies and volunteers, we require that **only parents perform diaper changes**; therefore, you may also be called if your baby requires a diaper change.
5. If your baby exhibits any of the following symptoms, **please refrain from using the nursery**. Nursery volunteers have the right to refuse your baby entry if any of these symptoms are exhibited:
  - \* fever
  - \* unusual fatigue
  - \* irritability
  - \* coughing
  - \* sneezing
  - \* runny nose and eyes
  - \* vomiting
  - \* diarrhea
  - \* inflamed mouth and throat
6. Fish crackers, cheerios, baby cookies and water are given as snacks in the nursery. You may also leave your child's **labeled** bottle or snack for them.
7. Volunteers are not to give any medications – this includes using lotions, diaper cream or powder. Parents or guardians are responsible to administer medications
8. All nursery workers are valuable volunteers; please remember to thank them.

If you wish to join a volunteer team for one month of service in the nursery please contact Antoinette at [antoinette@shbc.ca](mailto:antoinette@shbc.ca) or 780-478-1553 ext 31

