



## TIPS FOR PARENTS

### Before You Arrive

- **Remember:** For a quicker registration, be sure to complete your online kid's registration form prior to arrival! Be sure to turn on your global roaming so you can be contacted in case of an emergency
- Ensure your children are well rested, hydrate and have had breakfast.
- Bring them ready to ski or snowboard with all their gear on and their lift passes. You should arrive during our check in times from 9:00am-9:15 am.
- Make sure their boots are done up tight, it is much harder to ski/ride with loose boots!
- Label all of your child's belongings to make sure there are no mix ups.
- We recommend picking up your lift tickets and rental gear prior to your first lesson. Be sure to leave at least 1 hour to have your child fitted.
- Buy a full day pass. Point's passes cannot be accepted in group lessons as they often run out before the lesson is finished. Ninja Kids passes can be claimed free of charge at Grand Hirafu Resort, you must pay a 1000 jpy deposit and have your child present in order to redeem the pass.
- We provide lunch and drinks for the kids - however snacks in their pockets are great for a big day of riding.
- We recommend if you have any lesson booked at the Gondola Base location that you book your kids group lessons at the same location.

### During the lesson

- Don't worry about tears! Our instructors are kind, caring and trained to have your child smiling and enjoying their day in no time.
- If you wish to check in on your child; lunchtime is best. Lunch will be served from approximately 12:30pm to 1:30pm. Please check with our Guest Services team.

- If you wish to watch your child's lesson we ask that you watch from a distance; it is harder for little ones to bond with their instructor and class if they can see you.

## How to dress your child for a great day

Niseko is blessed with some of the snowiest and driest powder in the world and as such has unique conditions. Weather conditions, however, can change rapidly in the mountains. Some days will be snowy, dry and cold, others will have rain and others can be quite warm and sunny. Make sure you dress your child with the right clothing for the conditions.

## Regular Snow Gear

- Waterproof snow jacket and pants
- Insulated and waterproof gloves or mittens (A spare pair can save tears on wet days)
- Dry knee high socks
- Long underwear- tops and bottom.
- A helmet is required for all kids
- Beanie
- Sunscreen lip balm

## Specific to Niseko we recommend

- Goggles - we recommend a good quality low light lens for Niseko's powdery conditions. Double lenses will ensure the goggles don't fog so your little one can see.
- Sunglasses are not recommended in Niseko. There is too much snow!
- A face mask or neck warmer.
- Layering - a warm jumper under the snow jacket
- Hand and toe warmers - if not on already, then in their pockets just in case.

## Where we are

### GETTING TO THE GONDOLA BASE

Located at the Hiraifu Gondola and Mountain Centre. Getting here is easy with the free resort shuttle, which operates daily and comes to the Mountain Centre first. The kids' drop off area is located in the building to the left of the Mountain Center. Ninja Kids meet inside the building where Yama Riders will meet in the blue pen located around the back of the building.

### GETTING TO THE FAMILY BASE

Located at the Family Base area our Ninja Kids Lessons and first day registrations will meet inside the Aya Hotel. All Yama Riders will meet in the blue fenced area located on snow next to the magic carpet and Family Chair Lift.