

Like sidewalk art after a heavy rain, the coming years will pass quickly. Enjoy your new role as

Daddy!

**All of us, dads and kids alike,
make mistakes.**

Forgive and forget.

**Tears happen. Be prepared to
heal a tiny broken heart. A
tissue from Dad and a tight hug
work wonders.**

**Be prepared for bumps and
scrapes. Make space in your
wallet for a pair of Band-Aids
and be Daddy-on-the-spot.**

**It's OK to go bananas. Laugh,
play, and build memories your
child will treasure.**

**A quick snack can curb
grouchiness for Dad and kids.**

**Hire a sitter and take Momma
for an ice cream. Remember
grandparents will babysit for
free.**

**Children are messy and emit
substances that run the
spectrum from sticky to stinky.
Keep a supply of wipes handy in
the home, car, stroller, diaper
bag, Momma's purse...**

**New fathers often feel
squeamish at the thought of
touching certain baby
byproducts. Gloves will help
until you've had your arm in the
toilet up to the elbow to retrieve
a lost toy. After that nothing will
bother you.**

Just in case the kid does a doozy. I mean you do have to breathe.

For safe handling of soiled diapers and baby wipes. Do not use on the child.

Take two and keep away from children until symptoms dissipate.

There is a reason the adult's high frequency auditory response declines with age. Save your hearing as you marvel at the volume those tiny lungs produce.

Diaper tapes often fail resulting in toxic waste spills. Warning - duct tape is not an approved child restraint.