

Our CLB Team

Clare Bear - Owner/Manager

Miss Lisa - Deputy Manager/
SENCO

Early Years Practitioners

Miss Adelaide, Miss Emily, Miss
Lizzie, Miss Rachel, Miss Amanda

Forest School

Miss Jaineen - Leader

Miss Natalie - Forest School Assistant

Miss Sarah - Staff Support and
Tapestry Specialist

Help when needed: Childminders/
Retired practitioners/Volunteers/
Parents of CLB. Student

Placements: We haven't got any
students so far but we may have in
the future (All DBS checked)

Policies and Procedures

Our policies and procedures are all
on our website available for
download at any time.

www.clareslittlebears.co.uk. We
also have hard copies in the
setting. Please feel free to discuss
with me any policies, as we get to
know each other. Occasionally I
will email you ones that may come
up from time to time. ie
Complaints, Safeguarding,
sickness etc

CLB Uniform

We have uniform in stock

Polo shirts - £7.50

Sweat shirt /Cardigan- £11

Boot/Book bags - £3.50 each



Clare's little bears
Pre-school

Welcome to Clare's Little Bears Newsletter

We would like to make a warm welcome to our new little bears who have started to settle in this week and welcome back to our existing Little/Big Bears and their families. I hope it was an enjoyable and relaxing summer with lots of wonderful memories made to look back on.

The first few weeks is all about settling in and getting to know you all. Please do come and speak to us if you need to, at anytime face to face or through Family. We are all here to help support the whole family through your child's new journey with us.

SAFETY WARNING !

**Please close the main front gate on
entering and exiting the premises,
to keep our little bears safe.**

Autumn Term 1 - Story Themes

Week 1 - 04/09 - SETTLING IN

Week 2 - 09/09 - ALL ABOUT ME

Week 3 - 16/09 - 'ALL ABOUT ME'

Week 4 - 23/09 - DEAR ZOO

Week 5 - 30/09 - DEAR ZOO

Week 6 - 07/10 - GRUFFALO

Week 7 - 14/10 - GRUFFALO

WEEK 8 - 21/10 - ROOM ON THE BROOM

END OF HALF TERM FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER

October Half Term - CLB

Holiday club - We are taking bookings for October half term Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday only Times 9-345 Please ask Clare or Miss Lisa for details

Help Wanted

We welcome parents and carers to volunteer shared reading or a helping hand during a busy school day. DBS check will be required for a regular volunteer.

Reminders:

- Please put bags on top of the purple welly rack and coats on the pegs.
- Please label **all** your child's belongings, water bottle, hats, uniform, lunch boxes , etc.
- Opening times are 915-1215/1300-1545 unless otherwise agreed with Clare (Additional fees occur)
- Breakfast Club 0830-915/
Lunch Club 1215-1245
- Healthy lunches only, in your child's lunch box. We are a **NUT FREE** pre-school (no chocolate or peanut butter sandwiches)
- Please report all absences by 930am - Attendance is very important as we miss your little bears when they are not here.

6 September 2019

Please encourage your child to bring a small item related to the topic each week for our daily '**Treasure basket**' ie, cuddly toy, a book, unusual items are always a big interest.



Please like our face book page Clare's Little Bears Pre-school and Child Care Service and our Instagram page.

FAMILY - Hopefully you will all be familiar with the Family app by now but if you're still having trouble please come and speak to a member of the CLB team and we will happily help. You will start to see calendar events, you are able to group message the whole team so we all get to communicate with you easily. If there are private matters then please speak to your key worker, myself or Miss Lisa. Please update details and input as much information as possible about you and your child. You are able to add your Spouse, Partners or whom have 'parental responsibility' and family members who have permission to collect your child. Please add profile photos of your child and of all persons with authority to collect your child for additional security. We still need to be informed each day who will be collecting. We have a Privacy notice and GDPR policy available to download on our website.

TAPESTRY vs FAMILY (online learning journals)

We will be starting to phase out Tapestry and use Family for our online learning journals but this will take time for staff and parents to get used to a new system so please bear with us. Please start by uploading your home observations and WOW moments onto 'Journal' section in your child's profile. I am sure your little ones have learnt plenty over the holidays and gained so much more confidence and chatting more than before.

FOREST SCHOOL - We have three groups of forest school that start next week Monday am/Tuesday am and Thursday am. We have the following places left:

- 1 x 3 year old for Monday
- 1 x 2 year old for Wednesday
- 3 x 3 year olds for Thursday am

If we have enough interest we will start a new group on Tues am or an afternoon. Please see the benefits of forest school sheet attached to this newsfeed or ask for further information.

All bookings confirmed will be sent separate details on news feed shortly informing you of your child's forest session, what to wear guide and a plan. Please ensure permission has been authorised on Family

LITTLE URCHINS - School photographs are booked in for Wednesday 13th November 9-130pm. All children are welcome to come and have their photographs taken even if they are not due in this day. Siblings welcome too!

PARENT SUGGESTION BIRD HOUSE - You may notice we have a bird house on the window sill in the doorway, we welcome your ideas. Please post anonymously if you wish or speak to any member of the team.

STAFF REQUESTS - Old or on the turn flowers/Bring in a photo of families for our 'SPECIAL PEOPLE BOARD' /New bears to bring a single photo of your child as well/1 small item for treasure basket only/Cut grapes up long ways, as they are a choking hazzard.

HOLIDAYS/HOURS - Please can you notify me **ON FAMLY** your holiday dates and when you will NOT be sending your child to us. Please give at least **FOUR WEEKS** notice.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:-AUTUMN TERM 2019

Autumn Term 1	Starts Wednesday 4th September
Half Term	28th October - 1st November
Parent Consultations	W/C 18th November (times will be offered soon)
Children in Need	Friday 22nd November
Parents Christmas Carol Singing	3rd/4th or 5th December Parents to come and join in
Clare's Little Bears Christmas party	Friday 13th December 1030-12pm (All bears invited)

Please note: Free funded children finish Tuesday 17th December, We are open until Friday 20th December should you wish to book your child in for those sessions (Normal fees apply). Private children are already booked in until 20th December so there is no need to re-book.

Spring Term 2020	6th January - 3rd April 2020
Half Term	17th February - 21st February
Summer Term 1 2020	20th April - 17th July
Easter Holidays	3rd April - 17th April
Half Term	25th May - Friday 29th May

Thank you for your support.

Clare and the CLB team