

Our CLB Team

Clare Bear - Principle

Miss Lisa - Deputy Leader

Miss Adelaide - Early Years Practitioner

Miss Emily - Early Years Practitioner

Miss Lizzie - Early Years Practitioner

Miss Amanda - Early Years Practitioner

Miss Rachel - Early Years Practitioner

Miss Grace - Apprentice (Studying Level 3)

Miss Sarah/ - Staff Support and Family specialist

Miss Lisa B - Nursery Administrator

Miss Jaileen - Forest School Leader

Miss Natalie - Forest and Pre-school Assistant

Student Placements:

Grace M, Sammi and Lacey-Mae joining us various days of the week (All DBS checked).

Policies and Procedures

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



Clare's little bears
Pre-school



Welcome to Clare's Little Bears Newsletter

Welcome back I hope you all enjoyed a lovely Autumn half term break.

I would like to welcome Miss Grace our new Level 3 Apprentice and Lisa B who will be doing our administration.

A really big well done to you all for making changes to reducing single use plastic in your children's lunch boxes we have noticed a huge difference. We are now collecting crisp and biscuit packets to send off for recycling. Thank you.

SAFETY WARNING !

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

Reminders:

- Please bring in warmer coats, hats, scarves and gloves as the weather starts getting colder. Thick socks with rubber grips are ideal for inside school and outside for keeping tootsies warmer in wellies. Puddle suits will be worn outside with coats underneath where ever possible.
- Please put bags on top of the purple welly rack and coats on the pegs. The weather is getting



Children In Need

Is on **Friday 15th November.**

We would like to take part in the duck sweep stake to support this good cause. Your child picks a duck for a donation of £2. The winner will receive a prize (we may need to do two sweep stakes if it proves popular). The winning duck will be presented live on BBC and Children in Need Facebook page. If you know of anyone who would like to donate a small prize please come forward. Children can come in wearing the bear ears, PJs or a onesie.

colder so you are welcome to bring them inside from now on. cold days you can keep children's coats on and we will hang them on a peg indoors.

- Please label all your child's belongings, water bottle, hats, scarves, uniform etc.

Coffee/Tea and Cake Sale

Thursday 14th November 145-245pm in aid of 'Thomas Fund' research into Brain Tumours. We will have Cancer Hair care 'Twin Hats' stall and 'Bamboo Turtle'. Please show your support by coming for cake or baking a cake would be very much appreciated. If there are any parents who would like to run a small stall to show off their business please do come and have a table to present your work.

Autumn Term 2

Week 9 - 04/11 - Bonfire/Remembrance/All About Me

Week 10 - 11/11 - Parent Consultations/Pre school photos/Children in Need

Week 11 - 18/11 - Parent Consultations/Christmas Singing

Week 12 - 25/11 - Christmas Singing and Crafts

Week 13 - 2/12 - Christmas Carols with Parents/Carers

Week 14 - 10/12 - Christmas Jumper or Hat /Party week

Week 15 - 16/12 - Heuristic/Loose Parts Play/Soft play

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

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDER - We will be taking part in the Reverse Advent Calender, details will be sent on a separate letter through the Family news feed.

CHRISTMAS SINGING WEEK - Each year we invite Parents/Carers/Families into school to get into the Christmas spirit, of singing our children's favourite Christmas songs with us. This will take place at our usual singing time at 1140am and 315pm on Wednesday 4th and Friday 6th December. You may be lucky and get a homemade mince pie!

FLOWERS - on the turn flowers please for potion and mud kitchen play.

CHILDREN DESIGN THEIR OWN CHRISTMAS CARDS - Order forms will be sent out shortly to be handed back by Friday 22nd November.

CLB UNIFORM - We are waiting for grey sweat shirts and green fleeces to come back in stock, apologies for the long wait. Please let me know if you need any more of anything.

FAMILY - We hope that you are finding the new learning journey through Family well? Any problems please let us know. The old Tapestry system is now closed down but we downloaded the pdfs for parents who weren't able to. Please bring in a USB stick for me to copy files (these will be deleted by Christmas and I will not be able to retrieve them i'm afraid).

PARENT VOLUNTARY READING - We welcome all Parents/Carers/Grandparents to come in and do some shared reading with our little bears at 1145am or 1445. Please let me know if you would like to participate, the little bears do enjoy it and we have some large books that are proving popular.

FIRE ALARM CHECKS - We will be running a fire alarm test regularly with the children throughout the school year.

HOLIDAYS/HOURS - Please can you notify me on Family 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 2

Parent Consultations 11th - 19th November - Parent Questionnaires will be given out, please complete asap, your feedback is truly valued and we welcome all your suggestions.

Friday 13th December - CLB Christmas Party 1030-1200 (Friday children to come in and be collected as usual). A list of party food will be sent out for you to contribute if you wish.

End of Term: Friday 20th December for private fee payers (normal hours)**Please note:** The Early Years Free funded hours finish on **Tuesday 17th December** - Additional fees occur for dates 18th - 20th December.

Start of Spring Term 1: Monday 6th January - Friday 3rd April 2020 for all children

Half Term - 17th -21st February 2020

Summer Term - 20th April -17th July 2020 (TBC)

Half Term - 25th - 29th May 2020

Thank you for your support.

Clare and the CLB team