

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: North
Herts College

Grace M, Lacey-Mae and Kacie
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

Happy New Year to you all, welcome back and a very warm welcome to our new bear families. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas.

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 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.



CLARE'S BEAR GRILLS FOREST SCHOOL IS MOVING.....

Yes that is right, its very exciting!!! We are moving our forest school to Hampson park play scheme in February 2020. It has become so popular over the last year that we felt we needed more space to explore, learn and open it up to the community.

All children that start at 915-1215pm that have own transport are to be dropped/collected at Hampson park. All other children will be transported to and from in Clare's car with permission.

We will continue with the groups we have and I will get in touch with you if we need to move children up a session due to age or ability.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please speak to me if you have any questions, are interested in helping or know someone who can help. A separate news letter will be sent with further information on the transition to our new location.

Term Dates 2020

Half Term - 17th -21st February CLOSED

End of Term - Friday 3rd April

Spring Term 2 - Monday 24th February - Friday 3rd April

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

Half Term: 25th - 29th May 2020

Spring Term 1

Week 1 - 06/01 - All About Me

Week 2 - 13/01 - Winter

Week 3 - 20/01 - RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

Week 4 - 27/01 - Chinese New Year 'RAT'

Week 5 - 03/02 - Stick Man Story Theme

Week 6 - 10/02 - Valentines/Loose Parts 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



Please like our face book page Clare's Little Bears Pre-school and Childcare service for updates, events and relevant local early years info.



We are also on Instagram Clareslittlebearspre-school. Miss Lisa, Miss Rachel and I are admin for both social media sites.

We will inform you of new Parent information updates, child development advice and sudden closures due to bad weather or unforeseen circumstances through social media and Family.

CLB UNIFORM - We now have Green Fleeces ages 3-4 in stock Retail price is £15.00 Age 4-6 is on back order. These are really popular for our forest school sessions!

We also have age 3-4 years knitted cardigans and all usual items are back in stock at CLB. Please let me know if you need any more of anything.

FAMILY - Learning Journey - We would really appreciate you working with us on Family and sharing with us any photos, WOW Moments, days out, play time etc. This aids vocabulary with your children at what they get up to out of school and we can extend on this during their time with us.

Please can you make us aware verbally, in writing and update Family any changes to Allergies, medical information, doctors, change of personal circumstances, addresses, telephone no.s etc

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SCHOOL - If you have items you can donate or can volunteer some time as a handy person to help please ask. We need Loose Parts i.e. Natural materials, sliced logs, on the turn flowers (for potion making), recycle materials for junk modelling, haberdashery, buttons etc, pipes, cable reels, bricks, latches, electrical switches, door knockers, construction signs, tools etc.

CHARLIE BEAR - Is our school bear that loves to go home with your child and have a fun time. Charlie likes to get out and about to local parks, shopping, spend time with his friend doing what you normally do. When it is your child's turn please can you share with us a few words, photos and put it in his book, then we can talk about it at circle time with the rest of the school.

OUR SPECIAL PEOPLE - To all families please can you bring in or email a family portrait or those closest to you to put on 'Our special people' board. All photos to be emailed to info@clareslittlebears.co.uk so Clare can print them off easy.

YOGA SESSION - We have a taster session with Little Happy Yogi next Monday 20th January 10am for 45 mins in two groups. We hope to move this to a different session each week so all little bears can experience yoga and mindfulness. A much appreciated contribution for this is £1 per child per week if it falls on their session.

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

CHANGES TO YOUR CHILD'S SESSIONS - We will require a FULL terms notice in writing for any changes to sessions or withdrawal of your child from the school as per our terms and conditions.

NON ATTENDANCE - Please inform us if your child is not attending school before the session starts by telephone or Family. If we do not receive any communication from you we will try to contact you, failure to contact you we will need to follow our procedures of contacting your emergency contacts to ensure of your child's safety and well being.

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.

Thank you for your support.

Clare and the CLB team