

OCTOBER 2022

Clare's Little Bears Newsletter Autumn 2022

AUTUMN IS IN FULL SWING AND ALL OUR LITTLE BEARS HAVE SETTLE BACK NICELY. This is our longest term and already it seems to be flying by so quickly. We have a lovely cohort of children who all seem truly engaged in their environment and very happy to come to school each day and learn through play. This has made our start to the school year really calm and a pleasurable place to be.

We have some exciting news to come about the development of Clare's Little Bears Preschool. More details to follow via our Famly newsfeed.

Congratulations to Miss Kacie on successfully completing her Level 3 Early Years diploma in Childcare. We are very proud of her achievement, and she has worked extremely hard to complete this, well done!

Welcome to Nicola who will be joining us in office to work alongside our Admin team. You may see her popping in and out of the preschool from time to time.

We say goodbye to Miss Ellie who will be leaving us at the end November for pastures new. We wish her all the very best for the future.



Please like our face book page Clare's Little Bears Pre-school and Childcare service for updates, events and relevant local early years info. CLB Rainbow Face Book page is a closed group for parents and carers to get to know each other.



We are also on Instagram Clareslittlebearspreschool and clareslittlebearsforestschoo to share the activities and events, inform you of new parent information updates, local community services, childrens centre parent courses, any changes to dates or sudden closures due to bad weather or unforeseen circumstances on Famly and social media. www.clareslittlebears.co.uk

CHILDREN IN NEED This will take place On Friday 18th November. Please send children in SPOTS, OR STRIPES or anything goes, for a fun filled day of activities.

CHRISTMAS SING ALONG This will take place w/c 5th December Monday/Wednesday/Friday 1150am and Thursday 320pm

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY Friday 8th December

CLB CHRISTMAS PARTY We will be holding a Christmas Party for all our little bears on Friday 16th December at 10 - 11:30am.

Please send children in their party wear for fun games and Christmas nibbles.

REGISTRATION RENEWAL FORMS

Please ask for a copy of our renewal form for additional hours and amendments.

Things to remember:

- * Name ALL belongings
- * Please ensure your children are dressed appropriately for the cold weather
- * Lunches No NUTS inc peanut butter/sweets chocolate biscuits. Please reduce your single use plastic and do not over fill your child's lunch boxes.
- * Baby and Toddler Group All families welcome. Every Friday 930-11am No need to book just turn up!

Resources Needed please

- * Food Colouring
- * Seasonal nature items/on the turn flowers Willow branches
- * Out of date oats/ flour/pasta/rice
- * Recycling/Loose parts/chains/locks
- * Forest animal or Gruffalo soft toys

Autumn Term 1

Week 1-2 - All About Me

Week 3-4 - Simon Sock/Going on a Bear Hunt

Week 5-6 - The very hungry caterpillar/Goldilocks

Week 7 - Diwali/Autumn

Half Term one week

Autumn Term 2

Week 8 - All About Me/Room on the broom

Week 9-10 Tiger who came to Tea/Road Safety

Week 11-12 The Gruffalo/Advent Book

Week 13 - Little Robin Red Vest/Stick Man

Week 14 - The Jolly Christmas Postman

Week 15 - Christmas Week

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**AUTUMN TERM
22**

**2nd Sept - 21st Dec
(Free funded 5th Sept
16th Dec)**

**Half Term
24th-28th Oct**

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**SPRING TERM
23**

**9th Jan - 31st March
(Free funded start 9th
Jan 22)**

**Half Term
13th - 17th Feb**

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**SUMMER TERM
23**

**17th April - 21st July
Half Term**

29th May - 2nd June

FOREST SCHOOL BOOKINGS - We are taking new bookings for forest school for 2-3 year olds on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays at the following times; 830-230/915-1230 or 1230-230pm.

Forest Pre-school - Hampson Park

We have been greeted back this term with some beautiful weather, please make sure your Bears are prepared as the season is changing and they will need their fleeces, spare clothing, hats, gloves, and wellies.

This term we will be using the forest to discover our senses. The over Three's will start their tool work and fire lighting skills using fire steels and when the Bears are ready, we will be cooking up some soups, popcorn, and vegetables.

We would like to welcome newest team member Mr Cayden to our Forest as an Early Years Apprentice

If you would like to join in our woodland fun this term or next term, we have all day and half day spaces available. Please contact Amanda on 07389896692 or email info@clareslittlebears.co.uk.

We also run Bear Cubs Baby and Toddler Nature Play on a Friday term time 930-11am term time only, come along and bring you child or children to explore our wonderful forest.

Miss Natalie Forest School Leader

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS PLEASE SPEAK TO CLARE OR EMAIL

info@clareslittlebears.co.uk

Natalie – Forest School Leader

Forest School Mobile - 07305 073918 / Office 07389896692 –



Autumn Term 1

Week 1 – All About Me

Week 2 – Sight

Week 3 – Listening

Week 4 – Taste and Smell

Week 5 – Touch

Week 6 – Three Little Pigs/Den building

Week 7 – Habitat and Senses

Autumn Term 2

Week 8 – Conker's and Broomsticks

Week 9 – Fireworks and Mandalas

Week 10 – Sustaining our Forest

Week 11 – Solstice Wishes and Listening Spots

Week 12- Mini Beast Hunting/Exploring Weather

Week 13 – Hibernation/Nocturnal Wildlife

Week 14 – Holly Reefs and Sleigh Building

Our CLB Team

Clare Bear - Principle/Owner

Miss Em - Deputy Manager

Position Available - Room Leader

Miss Gee - Level 3 Educator

Miss Grace C - Level 3 Educator
(on Maternity Leave)

Miss Kacie – Level 3 Educator

Miss Emma – Level 2, studying
Level 3

Apprentice Key workers (Level 2/3)
Miss Sharon, Miss Donna

Pre School Assistant –

Miss Misbah

Admin Team – Amanda and
Nicola

Our Forest Bears Team

Miss Natalie - Forest School
Leader/Deputy Manager

Miss Kerrie Level 4- Forest school
Assistant

Apprentice Level 2 - Miss Jo, Miss
Luci and Mr Cayden

Assistant - Miss Marie

Student Placements: Miss
Runa, Miss Georgia and Miss
Szilvia (Sysy)

Thank you for your support.

Clare, CLB and Forest Team

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

PUNCTUALITY/ABSENCES - It is very important to arrive to school on time as we start the registration at 9.30 (gates are locked) and pick up on on time. If you are running late please contact the schools tel number or message the team on Famly.

Please can you notify me on Famly by 8.30am if your child will not be attending school and the reason why. Please give at least FOUR WEEKS notice for booked holidays and absences.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES - Our policies and procedures are all on our website available to download at anytime, www.clareslittlebears.co.uk We will also be sending up to date policies on Famly throughout the year. Please feel free to discuss with me any policies, as we get to know each other.

UNIFORM IS AVAILABLE - If you need any uniform please contact us via Famly or email info@clareslittlebears.co.uk.

RECENT FUNDRAISING EVENTS - We will be doing lots of fund raising over the next few months i.e., Children in Need, Christmas Jumper Day, and food donations during the season of giving. We love to make it fun and it's always for great causes.

FAMILY APP - Please ensure you regularly check the Famly calendar for due dates for various events and our news feeds. There are plenty of parent tutorials to watch, to benefit from full use of parent communication and to work in partnership with us.

PARENT SURVEY - You will shortly receive our parent survey on Famly, we really appreciate you taking the time in completing this short survey to help us improve our school for your children.

FAMILY PAY (CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ONLY) - You may of noticed there is an option to make payments via the Famly app. There is a charge to the school for this option so if you can, please make payments via other ways unless absolute necessary. Thank you for your prompt payments.