



16th January 2017

Dear Parent/carers,

Little Bears Pre-school welcome you to be warm and friendly sessions, and welcomes any ideas.

Each child has their own key person and you will be able to find the information about your child's key person and their role in the front cover of your child's home diary.

Snacks are provided throughout the day taking into account any child's dietary needs, and this can range from a variety of cereals, a choice of fresh fruit, breadsticks, crackers, toast, and raisins. Fresh milk or water is available at snack and children are able to access fresh water throughout the day.

Our policies and procedures are available to view at any time and can be located in the hallway entrance.

Please would parent/carers ring into pre-school using the number above, on the first morning of your child's absence, as we note this for legal requirements and can identify if there is bad bugs or illness that other children may have.

Please find a list of our daily routines on the notice board inside the classroom.

We would like to invite parent/carers to book an appointment to view there child's play plan and discuss your child's progress.
Please ask Jo, Natalie or myself to book you in. we normally try and do this first thing in the morning from 9.05am for approx. 15 minutes. But if this is not suitable we are flexible. Thank you.

January Topic News

We have been continuing with our topic
The Ginger Bread man

Talking about all the characters in the book.

Tasting Ginger

Role play cooking a gingerbread man in the oven

Repeating the rhyme from the book

Animal sounds, patterns, movements and words

Making ginger bread men biscuits and decorating them

Action words, such as run, fast, iump.

New Committee members

We are asking parent/carers if you would like to join our friendly committee at Little Bears.

At the AGM in June we will be in need of a new treasurer.

You are welcome to enquire about this position in pre-school to myself and I can give you the contact.

We also need new members as 14 children will be leaving in July to go school and members will drop.

We really would appreciate any help you can offer as without our parent/ carer committee we would need to

100 Club Draw

Anyone who has already had a ticket number and would like to pay for this year again, we can collect the money in pre-school, and we can pass on to Katie kirk. Thank you. The deadline for this is 1st February. If anyone wishes to cancel any tickets please can you let Katie Kirk Know as soon as possible.

Arrival and Departure times

Can parent/carers please double check that the gate is closed and the latch is on when leaving the pre-school? The gate was recently left open and this is a very worrying safe guarding issue. Thank you.

Picking up

Please would all parents/carers be able to wait at the gate when picking your child up as when a parent/carer opens the gate and comes into the garden when a session is still running, this is a safe guarding risk to the other children who also may think they are going home after lunch or at that time and want to go out of the gate. You are welcome to discuss this with Jane. Thank you.

Future Activities and Events

February:

Looking after each other, our bodies topic (how are bodies work)
Valentines activities

Half term 13th to 17th February inclusive

28th February: Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) tasting different toppings

March:

Animal Activities/ Spring Topic

Thursday 2nd March: visit from Rev Warren

Saturday 18th March Spring clear out village hall table top sale 2-4pm

Thursday 23rd March: Mothering Sunday church service
(St Michaels Church 9.15am)

Easter Activities 27th to 31st March

Friday 31st March: Last day of term (break up for Easter holidays)

April:

Tuesday 18th April First day of term

May

Monday 1st may Bank Holiday

Trip to Rosemoor (date to be organised)

Half Term 29th May to 2nd June inclusive

June

Monday 5th June Non pupil day

Sunday 18th June Fundraising Tractor run

Friday 30th June Occasional day (No pre-school)

July

Monday 3rd July Occasional day (No pre-school)

Trip (to be organised)

Leavers goodbye (date to be arranged)

Tuesday 26th July Last day of term