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Dear Parent/carers,

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

Each child has their own key person, 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, or toast in the mornings and breadsticks and crackers in the afternoons. 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 before 9.30am? This is a legal requirements and we can also identify if there are any illnesses or Covid symptoms that other children may have. (We all have a duty to keep all children safe.)



#### Mother's day service

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at St Michael's church, Shebbear.

Meeting at 9.15am at St Michael's church. All children and siblings welcome and accompanied with a parent/carer.

Grandparents and friends all welcome too. Please see a member of staff if you are unable to attend the service with your child.

We return to normal pre-school session after the service. Thank you.

#### Bags to school

**We are happy to take bags of clothes at anytime as we can store until the next date thank you so much.**

**Our diary of all events coming up are all updated and are all below**

## Topic updates



Making Rockets with shapes



Enjoying the blue playdough, weighing out the ingredients to make it.

Helping friends paint and decorate the sun



Children have been creating different planets, and making patterns.

Finding out what we know about space and using reference books as well as stories.

Copying an astronaut from a book and talking about the equipment.

Using fine motor skills this term has been fun using tweezers and ball pinchers for picking up pipettes to create patterns and scissors to around a whole circle.

Their large motor skills have been used by throwing bean bags into crates and clapping and moving to music.

Children have been getting the concept of repeating a pattern with colours, shapes and objects.

Children have had an opportunity to weigh ingredients out themselves when making playdough and biscuits.

Atticus, Mac and Thea have all made a Lego model and they have put on display for all the children to view as they were so proud.

Children have made flags and looked at different countries placing them on the Moon.

It has been a fun topic to start the new spring term.

**Has anyone got any story CDs and books that they don't need or use anymore. Do you know anyone with older children that you might be able to ask? Thank you.**

**We still always need small boxes, e.g. toothpaste, stuffing, chocolate boxes etc. Also tubes and round boxes. We always need cereal boxes for painting on. Any A4 or larger pieces of paper or card for colouring and drawing on. This saves us purchasing paper.**

**Thank you very much.  
Jane, Vicky and Jill.**

## Dates for your Diary



- Children's Reviews 1<sup>st</sup> February to 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Your welcome to ask a staff member to book an appointment.

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Send a card to a friend day (Feelings)
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Valentines day
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> World thinking day



**Topic Spring / Picnics / Little red riding hood**

- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> St David's day Pancake day / we also have Ceren one of our parents coming in to talk to the children about Wales and learn some Welsh language.
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> St Patricks day
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Mothering day service at st Michaels' church Shebbear Meeting at 9.15am
- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Mother's day



**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Last day of term**

### **Easter Holidays**

- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Good Friday
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Easter Monday

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> the April Return back to preschool**

### **Summer Term**



**Topic: Queens Jubilee activities**

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May Visit to Rosemoor Gardens, Torrington. ( All children welcome with one parent, and a donation of £3 is recommended by Rosemoor )

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Half term week**



- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June ( Picnic in the park)

**Jubilee celebration ( Park to be arranged)**

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June Non pupil day (pre-school closed)
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Occasional day (pre-school closed.)



### **July**

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 9.10 am Leavers assembly with fun and games weather permitting , saying goodbye to the children going to school.

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Last day of term**









