

Little Bo Peep Nursery Ltd 33 Pepper Street Inkberrow Worcestershire WR7 4EW

## Newsletter - September 2023

Firstly, the staff and I at Little Bo Peep Preschool would like to welcome all of the children ready for a fun filled new term. We have old faces, new faces and new resources for our preschool room which I am sure the children are going to love to explore. As many of you are aware I have now been asked to take over the role of senior manager, overseeing both our nursery and preschool site which will entail working between the 2 settings.

#### Planning

Our preschool planning can be found on the board in the preschool room. We firmly believe that children thrive more when they are learning through their interests. As a team we will carry out observations of the children as we are getting to know them through the first term. Our first topic will be 'All about me', this enables us to get to know your children and build those really important relationships between us. We will ask for photos and memorabilia from home to support this topic. As part of this topic we will also be sending out an 'All about me' box each week, in turn each child can take it home and fill it with their favourite items. The children can share the items with their new friends which will support their confidence in the setting.

In relation to the planning we will send out a half term overview, this enables you to see some of the activities we will be doing over the half term, it also has a section which gives you some ideas to do at home to support your child's learning. If you would like any more information about our planning then please speak to a member of staff.

#### Key workers

Each child has been allocated a key worker, the allocated staff are responsible for settling your child into the setting and carrying out the relevant paperwork throughout each term. Please encourage your child to familiarise themselves with their key person and if you would like to speak to them regarding your child then please let us know. The key worker board is situated above the children's trays with photos of the children and staff so they can easily identify their key person.



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### Tapestry

We use an online observation tool called tapestry to record some of your children's highlights and achievements. It is a fabulous tool which not only can be used as a way of recording your child's development but also it is amazing at showing you little pieces of your child's day using videos and photos. Each tapestry account is individual to your child and no one else has access to this. You will be given a form to fill out which gives us permission to add your child to the software. If you have any problems, then please do let us know. You can also add photos and memories onto the account which the staff can access, this is another wonderful way to encourage the children to share their experiences from home and gain confidence to talk in larger groups.

Our preschool routine

7:30-9:00 Preschool opens - Breakfast and Free play (Breakfast is charged at an additional rate)

9:00 - Welcome children through side entrance - Children will be encouraged to find their named drawer and pegs to place their belongings inside.

9:30 - Morning circle time

10:00 - Snack time - Please bring in a healthy snack and named bottle. 10:30-12:00 - Adult led activities/Outside - Activities will be planned around

> our topic of the week. 12:00 - Lunch 12:45-1:15 Quiet time 1:15-1:30 - Concept Cat 1:30-3:00 Afternoon activities/Outside 3:00 - Home time for some children 4:00 - Afternoon snack (Brought in from home) 6:00 - Home time

> > Things to bring to Preschool

 Forest School Kit - In all weathers, children must bring waterproofs as you never know when a stream or puddle comes our way for exploring. Children must also bring a full set of spare clothes including underwear and socks!



- Spare clothing This can be kept on your children's peg and replenished when needed
- Wellies Children are required to bring wellies each day as even on sunny days our area can be quite muddy. This will not only protect their shoes but also our environment from a muddy carpet.
- Fruit snack Children must bring in a fruit snack to preschool each day which is put in their tray in the mornings. Children can be provided with water through the day, however you are more than welcome to send your child with a drinks beaker. Please bear in mind we are preparing children for school and encouraging independence so please choose an appropriate drinks beaker for your child's age.
- If your child stays after 4:00 then they will need a tea which can either be a snack or a full tea. If you would prefer us to provide an afternoon snack then this will be at an additional cost of £2.00

#### Grace Kelly

We have been privileged to have been able to support a wonderful children's cancer charity which is local to the area over the last year. The charity does some incredible work with the children and their families and raise awareness of this awful disease. We will continue our support of them so look out for upcoming events.

#### Fee's

If you would like additional hours for your children then the cost of this after your funding allocation is £8.00 per hour. The cost of a hot lunch is £4.00. If you require your child to have breakfast then this is at an additional cost of £2.00

Your funding is used in term time only, we operate a holiday fun club which you child can attend. The costings for this are below:

#### Holiday Club Play Scheme sessions (held in the school holidays)

| 8.00am | 3.30pm | £32.00 per day |
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| 8.00am | 5.30pm | £37.00 per day |

Please note that once a booking has been confirmed fees are non-refundable.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask Best Wishes

Claire, Toyah and the Team



Tina Ward Director

#### Meet the Team



Claire Hull Manager DSL SENCO



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Toyah Riley Deputy Manager Deputy DSL SENCO





# Preschool Staff







Jayne Robins Preschool Key Person Laura Heath Preschool Key Person **Jenn Tanner** Preschool Key Person Deputy DSL

Fun Club Staff

Nicola Ireson Preschool Assistant Hannah McGinley Preschool Apprentice



Clare Green Forest School Leader Afterschool care Practitioner



Julie Williams Afterschool care Practitioner



Jenny Saunders Afterschool care Practitioner



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