



The Lyme Nursery

Complete Nursery Day Care
and
Early Years Learning



Dear Parents,

I hope you've all had a good start to the new year, back into the swing of things and routines in place once again after the Christmas period. We've heard lots of stories from the children about their Christmas and we've seen plenty of new toys they've had and want to show their friends and carers! Thank you to everyone for their Christmas cards and gifts, the girls (and Mr Vernon) certainly indulged over the Christmas period! A warm welcome to our new starters, we hope your little ones are already enjoying Nursery life. It's been a busy start to the year having had eleven tours so far! If you have any friends or family thinking about a Nursery place, please be sure to let them know that we are receiving an abundance of enquiries. Even the freezing weather and snow isn't putting anyone off. Fingers crossed though next month we see lighter nights coming and slightly better weather. Mandi

Exciting News - GOVERNMENT FUNDING

Exciting news this year with the introduction of new Government funding for a wider spread of children.

- > From April '24, in addition to the 15 hours Think 2 funding for 2 year olds, the Government is now extending this to 2 year olds who have working eligible parents (subject to criteria).
- > From September '24 9 months+ children, again with eligible working parents can also apply for the 15 hours Government funding (subject to criteria).
- > From September '25 9 months+ children, again with eligible working parents can apply for 30 hours funding (subject to criteria).

This is great news for families requiring childcare, especially with the current cost of living crisis. This week, Louise, our Finance Manager has sent a message and relevant information to those parents who are entitled to the new Government funding for 2 year olds from April '24. Please note, that if you are eligible, funding starts the term after your child turns 2 years.

For further information, please click on the following link:-

[Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK](#)

STAFF UPDATE, Who's who here at Nursery:- Chloe, Early Years Practitioner



Chloe joined the team this week and has quickly settled into the Tiddler room meeting and getting to know all of the children. Chloe, has Qualified Teacher Status (QTS), gaining a BA Hons in Childhood and Family Studies. She brings an abundance of skills and experience having worked in a previous Early Years setting for 7 ½ years. Musical, physical, creative activities are all areas Chloe thrives in, not to mention everyone's favourite - a bit of MESSY PLAY! In her spare time and for the past 9 years Chloe has been involved with Rainbows and Brownies. Now a leader of both Chloe runs her own Rainbow unit. We're so happy you've joined the team Chloe!

DIARY DATES:- Wednesday 14th February 2024 - Valentine's Funday (more details to follow)

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