

KL Ts Newsletter January 2026

We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year!
We hope you all had a great Christmas and end to your
2025.

Let's go 2026!!

Important dates

Monday 2nd February - PJ Fundraiser Day for Crackerjacks Trust

9th-15th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 17th February - Chinese New Year & Shrove Tuesday

16th - 20th February - Closed for Term Time only Children

Friday 13th March - Mother's Day Workshop @ Shenstone

Tuesday 17th March - Parrots & Preschool Sponsored Walk + please wear orange in exchange for a small donation (Both settings), all money raised will go to the Meningitis Now Charity. Thank you for your support, for more information click [here](#)

See pages 9 & 10 for more information about your child's classroom

Staff updates

The lovely **Ruby** has recently left KLT's 😊 due to moving out the area with her family, she will be missed massively by all of us. We wish her all the best with her big move and within her future career!



We'd like to wish **Courtney** all the very best as she prepares to start her maternity leave. Her last working day with us will be **Friday 27th February**. We wish her lots of love and happiness as she gets ready to welcome her baby girl. We look forward to welcoming her back soon!



Green Night

This is an opportunity for you to collect your child from inside the building. *Please note this is not a stay & play.*

Shenstone - Monday 9th February & Tuesday 3rd March 4:30-5:45pm

Redbrick - Date to follow Look out for an email

Mother's Day Workshop

Mothers, grandmothers, and carers, please join us for lots of themed activities to enjoy alongside your child.

Please let us know if you can make it.

Shenstone - Friday 13th March from 10-11am

Redbrick - Date to follow look out for an email

Quick reminder to like and follow our Facebook page for up-to-date news and important upcoming dates.



Link to our Facebook - [Kirsty's Little Treasures](#)

IMPORTANT

Funding Updates from Craig

I just wanted to stress how important it is to update your funding code every 3 months!

This month, one family lost their spring term funding, resulting in their childcare costs increasing from **£123.50 to £630.50** per month. While reminder emails are usually sent, these can sometimes be missed or go into junk mail. I do try to alert parents when they enter their grace period, but the system is not always updated regularly at my end.

Any questions please do not hesitate to email me -

craig.hale@kirstyslittletreasures.com

Employee of the month

Please help us recognise the efforts made by our staff by voting on employee of the month! We do this every month and there is a winner at both settings.

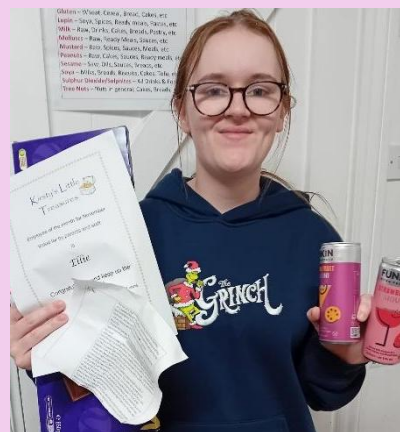
This is a great way to give the staff a boost! If there is anything which you notice a staff member doing which stands out to you, please pop it on the form as we don't always see it!

We do send this out regularly, but here is the link:

<https://forms.gle/wKbS7ERvR88S5oUZA>



November joint winners @ Shenstone
Gemma & Emma!



November winner @ Redbrick
Ellie!



December winner @ Shenstone
Shay!



December joint winner @ Redbrick
Mandy & Izzy!



We had a wonderful festive season of fundraising!

On 11th December, our Christmas Jumper Day raised **£58.60** for Save the Children, and on 18th December our Elf Day raised **£257.45** for Alzheimer's Society.

Thank you to all our families and staff for your support and generous donations!

We are incredibly proud to share Redbrick's first Ofsted Inspection Report with you.

Under the new Inspection Framework the team performed amazingly! This achievement reflects the hard work, dedication, and commitment of our staff. We are so proud of the team, well done everyone!

View the report here - [Ofsted Report - Redbrick](#)

Food Allergies

Please try to introduce common food allergens to your child before they start nursery.

In line with NHS guidance, these foods can usually be introduced from around 6 months old.

Common allergens include Gluten (wheat, barley and rye), cow's milk, eggs, nuts and peanuts, sesame seeds, soya, fish, shellfish, celery, mustard and sulphur dioxide.

Evidence has shown that delaying the introduction of peanut and hen's eggs beyond 6 to 12 months may increase the risk of developing an allergy to these foods.

Please remember to keep us updated on any allergies or changes, as these can develop or change as children grow.

For more NHS guidance about introducing allergens-

<https://www.nhs.uk/baby/weaning-and-feeding/food-allergies-in-babies-and-young-children/>

2026 Lunch Menu

Please see our new lunch menu [here](#)

Any questions let us know:)

Email- Kirstyslittletreasures@gmail.com

When Should My Child Stay at Home?

Please keep your child at home if they have a temperature over 37.5°C, vomiting or diarrhoea, contagious rashes/conditions, sore or sticky eyes, a persistent/barking cough, or needs Calpol or equivalent to get through the day.

Please speak to us before drop-off and be on call to collect if needed, if your child has a sporadic cough, green/yellow runny nose, has started new medication, unable to join in all activities, or is returning after illness (24 hours fever-free / 48 hours sickness-free).

Children are usually fine to attend with a mild cough, clear runny nose, and if they can join in all activities.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone well & safe  

Toilet Training

We know toilet training can be a big step, and we're here to support you and your child along the way. We work closely with parents during this stage, so please let us know if you're starting toilet training at home.

For helpful tips and guidance, you can view the 'starting reception' training guide here.

<https://startingreception.co.uk/potty-training/>

Please let us know if you have any questions 😊

Day Nurseries

Thank you to everyone who has reviewed us on day nurseries recently!

These reviews really help us as a business.

If you do find 5 minutes to post a review, we would be so grateful! Here is the link to do

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[Submit a Review - Kirsty's Little Treasures - Shenstone](#)

Food Bank Donations Needed!

We are currently experiencing an increased demand on our food banks and we are finding it harder to keep supplies stocked.

If you are able to donate any food or essential items, we would be very grateful for your support. We have been advised that instant noodles are particularly helpful, as many people accessing the food bank can easily prepare them using boiling water available at local churches. Thank you!

For regular updates, please visit our Facebook page here. -

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1DxTwghMXL/?mibextid=wwXIfr>

Family Hubs - Support for You and Your Family

Family Hubs offer a wide range of support to help families access the right help at the right time. The team can connect you with local services, community groups and activities.

Family Hubs also offer:

- ★ Help and guidance with everyday concerns such as money and childcare.
- ★ Free or low-cost Healthy Start vitamins.
- ★ Parenting support & first-time parent groups.
- ★ Breast pump hire.
- ★ Food parcels.

To find out more, you can pop in or call a Family Hub Navigator:

Redditch: 0152761360
Bromsgrove: 01527835775

Parent Workshops

They offer a range of helpful workshops including sessions on fussy eating, understanding your child's behaviour, understanding your baby or child, and sleep support.

Our Sleep Policy

We have had a few requests regarding children's nap times and we completely understand the reasons behind them. Where possible, we will try to make gentle and reasonable adjustments to support children's routines. However, once a child has settled and fallen asleep, we are unable to physically wake them, whether this is in the classroom or during nap time.

We kindly ask parents to take a few moments to familiarise themselves with our [SAFE Sleeping POLICY.docx](#).

The NHS recommends the following:

Age	Daytime sleep needed	Nighttime sleep needed
3 months	4-5 hours	8-9 hours
6 months	3 hours	11 hours
9 months	2 hours 30 mins	11 hours
12 months	2 hours 30 mins	11 hours
2 years	1 hour 30 mins	11 hours 30 mins
3 years	0-45 mins	11 hours 30 - 12 hours
4 years	No daily sleep	11 hours 30 mins

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Children's Uniform -

As some of you may know, we do have an option for the children to wear a KLTs uniform! This is essentially a smaller version of the staffs. There is an option to buy t-shirts (£14), sweatshirts (£16), hoodies (£22) and Fleeeces (£30) which will all be printed with the nursery logo. The available sizes are 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6. If you would like to order any uniform, please drop us a message and we will be able to get this ordered and invoiced on the same day.



Upcoming/ Completed Staff Training

Bullying & Harassment- Kirsty, Jade, Charlotte S.

Safer Recruitment- Jade.

Vegan Awareness- Mandy.

Inclusion Equality & Diversity- Wendy.

Supporting Gifted & Talented- Wendy.

Health & Safety- Poppy.

Prevent Duty & British Values- Courtney.

Transitions- Lydia.

Toilet training- Gemma.

Supporting Neurodiversity- Emma.

Being assertive- Megan, Craig.

Managing & Understanding Behaviour-

Gemma, Sarah, Vicky, Lydia

English as an Additional Language- Gemma.

Let's Create in a World of Play- Jess.

Adverse Childhood Experiences- Shay, Chloe B.

Safeguarding Level 2- Chloe B, Kathy, Shay.

Baby Massage- Sam, Sarah.

Rising needs in Early years- Gemma.

The great outdoors- Charlotte B.

Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND)

Just a gentle reminder that if your child has been referred to any outside agencies for SEND support, please bring the paperwork in so we can take a copy, or email it to Gemma.

This might include services such as Paediatrician, Umbrella Pathway, Physiotherapy, or Speech and Language Therapy.

If your child is currently supported by any of these services and we're not yet aware, please do get in touch with our SEND Co-ordinator Gemma

gemma.kltchildcare@gmail.com

Home Links & Building on Children's Interests

With lots of new children joining us and others moving rooms, it is important for our team to get to know each child individually.

We ask that all children complete a '[home link house](#)' form and either hand it in or email it to us at Kirstyslittletreasures@gmail.com

Completing your child's interests form helps us support a smoother settling-in period and plan activities that reflect their home life and the things they love, encouraging happy and meaningful learning.

Family Photos @ Shenstone

Each room has a Family Photo Book that the children love sharing.

Please feel free to email in any family photos or pictures from special days out so we can add them.

Redbrick

Welcome to all of our new starters who have settled in so well!

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year (the Year of the Horse) from 17th February to 3rd March. During this time, we'll be enjoying a range of fun activities to mark the celebration.

If you're heading out for a lovely day out or going away, you're very welcome to take the nursery bear along with you, we'd love to see all the adventures you get up to together!

Please ensure your child has correct outdoor wear, shoes and coats, please can these be named too - we recommend [My Nametags](#)

Don't forget to email or upload any family photos for your child's room. The children absolutely love looking through them and pointing out their family members in the pictures.

Email - Kirstyslittletreasures@email.com

Homework-

Can you create a spring creation? This could be on paper or a 3D Creation.

Octopuses are working on self-feeding during mealtimes, together time & turn taking.

Dolphins

Younger

11th Feb - Dress as your favourite colour

Topic- Emotion & Senses.

Focuses- Sitting at the table, Nursery rules & Using cutlery.

Colours- Red, green, blue.

Homework- Send in pictures of your child exploring with their senses!

Older

Focus- Numbers **Topic-** Kindness + Helping

Homework- Send in a photo of your child helping! (e.g. washing/tidying up)

Parrots

On **Tuesday 17th March** Parrots & Preschool will be doing a sponsored walk to raise money for the Meningitis Now Charity, please wear orange in exchange for a small donation, thank you for your support.

We will be handing out 'wow' sheets, please can you write wow moments for your child on here so we can celebrate them. For example, did well in a swimming lesson or slept in their own bed.

Your child's key person has been updated, please if you are unsure of who this is, do not hesitate to ask or send us a message! Finally, if you are yet to send family photos, please could you do this asap so that we can add them to our family book!

Focus Topic- Animals

Homework- Please can you make your own sea creature for our display?

Preschool

On **Tuesday 17th March** Preschool & Parrots will be doing a sponsored walk to raise money for the Meningitis Now Charity, please wear orange in exchange for a small donation, thank you for your support.

Welcome to all of our new children that have moved from Parrots this month! All children have settled in very well.

In Preschool we have been doing lots of school preparation ready for September.

Focuses- Letters and numbers of the week, shapes, colours, toileting, getting ourselves dressed and gaining more independence.

Topic's- Chinese New Year, Valentines, People who help us (Jobs)

Letter & Number of the week in February- E, F, G, H & 5,6,7,8.

Homework- Can you draw/create a picture of something or someone you love for the week of valentines and bring it in to show your friends in circle time?

ERIC, The Children's Bowel and Bladder Charity



Wee and poo is
what we do!

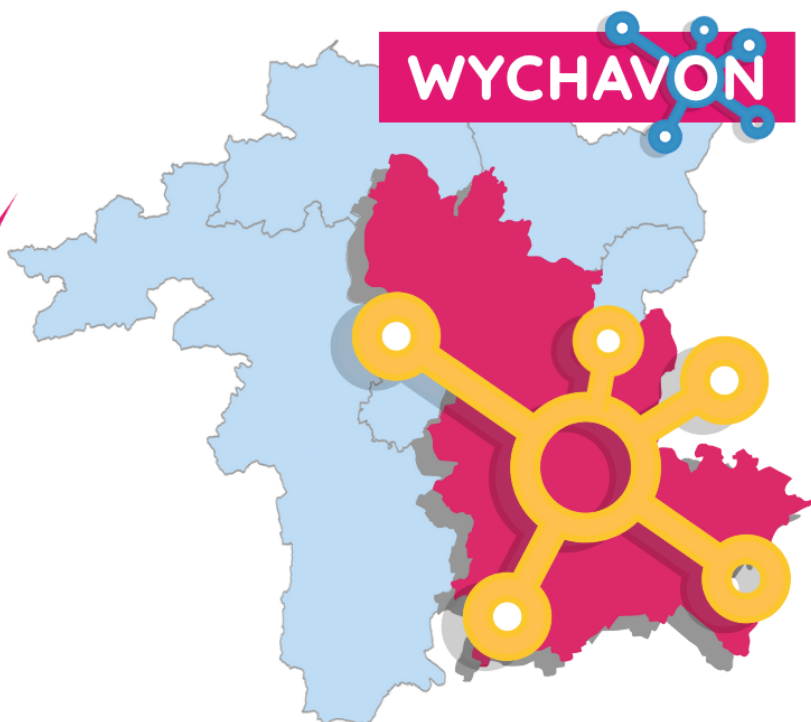
Is your child struggling with **toilet training**,
withholding, **constipation** and **soiling**,
daytime bladder problems or **bedwetting**?

We have over 30 years' experience of
providing information and support for families
dealing with wee and poo problems.

Visit our website:

www.eric.org.uk





From January to March 2026, SENDIASS will be visiting venues across Wychavon to offer free, confidential support for parent carers and young people with SEND. Shining a spotlight on what SEND support is available to you and your community, and how you can access it.

SENDIASS CONNECTS: Wychavon

Find out more from our FREE training events and drop-in sessions in Pershore, Evesham & Droitwich.



FREE one-to-one advice drop-ins



FREE practical training sessions



FREE Young Person SEND support

For more information please visit:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SENDIASSCONNECTS