

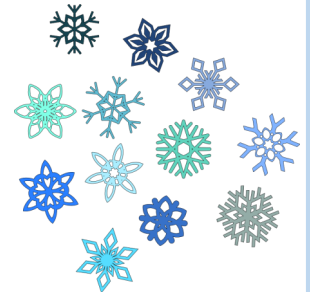
# January 2017 Newsletter (1)

*happy  
new year*

We hope you all had a very good Christmas and would like to welcome you back to Clever Cloggs.

The Christmas break has been and gone and already we are at the end of week one, is it me or does time fly to fast as you get older. We all have been impressed with the children and how well they have settled back into our routines and the new children too, you would not believe its their first days here at Clever Cloggs. Some older bothers and sisters are being good role models and teaching their siblings how things are being done and where to find new paper for painting, writing the names on the back is a small problem but staff are one hand to help.

As me you might of felt the cold weather and have been wrapping your children up, great job and a star to you all, but have you named there gloves, hats, scarfs, coats? Have a check we would like everything sent home with the right child.



At the end of the last term we made you aware that Gemma Knight was leaving. It was a shock to us and we did not have time to organise any farewell tea, but with us I know you wish her well in her new setting. Along with Gemma we had been awaiting the return of Cheryl from maternity and organising her hours back but she changed her mind and informed us that she would not be returning after Christmas.

Because of both leaving we offered staff extra hours but, have put an advert in the paper for new staff and will be employing a new member shortly, we hope. On a happy note tomorrow Friday sees the return of Carly who also has been on maternity leave.

Over the Christmas break we have been busy making some changes to the setting, there is

1. A new set of steps in the change area for the children to climb when needing to be changed.
2. 2 new sofa's with foot stools in a decorated area to encourage talking. With this we have set aside an area for postcards from children who go on holiday, so we can display and have discussions about their trips away.
3. We have arranged the room by moving drawer units about, which has made room for the coat pegs to be widened allowing more room for coats and bags.
4. We have made a wellie store by the outside door, so children can take off their shoes and put wellies on for outside play.

There are still projects in the pipeline, so give us a few weeks then have a look around and see what's new.