Hello and welcome to Summer Term 1 and the fifth edition of our Nursery Newsletter!
We hope you have had a restful half term break and are ready for an exciting new term.
We are looking forwards to sharing lots of fabulous opportunities and having a lot of fun
learning new and exciting things together.

Our topic for this half term is ‘Once upon a time’…
The Children will be learning some traditional tales such as ‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’. The role play area will become the Three Bears Cottage and the children will be encouraged to use story language in their play. We will be learning about the sounds that letters make and learning to sound talk words which will help us with reading and writing. We will be working hard to develop our fine motor skills to improve our writing. Come along to our fun Wizards and Wand workshop to find out more about how you can support your child’s learning.

Our Christian Values…
Our school Christian Values are Love, Hope, Honesty, Gentleness, Kindness, Joy, Forgiveness, Respect, Tolerance, Patience, Friendship and Thankfulness. These Christian Values are important to our whole school community. They help us in our decision making, the way we work together and our daily lives. We actively teach these values to all children. This half term in Nursery…

The children will be learning about the school values and will investigate a different value each week.

Tolerance and Respect. They will be introduced to the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. This will allow the children to investigate how the different characters in the story feel and how our actions effect others.

Gentleness. The children will be growing potatoes, some sunflower seeds and cress. We will need to show care and give the plants what they need to grow.

Joy. The children will be learning to feel joyful when their potatoes and plants start to grow and share this with parents when they take them home.

Patience The children will learn about patience when waiting for the seeds to grow.

Love The children will learn to make links between how their actions impact on others and link it to the story of Goldilocks.
Home reading and sharing stories...
This half term we will be sharing these books in small groups to support your child’s learning. Please remember to bring your child’s book bag and ‘Take Home’ book into Nursery so that you and your child can borrow a new book to share together at home.

Makaton Signing... Every half term we will be learning some new Makaton Signs. Signing can support children's Communication and Language development and improves children's listening skills. The signs for this half term are shown opposite. Ask your child to teach you the signs they have learned and practice them together at home.

Wizards and Wands Writing and Fine Motor Workshop 22nd May 2018
Parents are invited to join their child in a writing workshop. This will support the learning taking place in Nursery. This half term the children will be learning about the sounds that letters make and learning to sound talk words. They will also practice their fine motor skills which will help with their writing. Come along to our fun Wizards and Wand workshop to find out more about how you can support your child’s learning.

A quick reminder... Our normal session times are as follows.
Acorn Class: Monday and Tuesday sessions start at 8:50am and finish at 3:00pm.
Wednesday sessions start at 8:50am and finish at 11:30am.
Conker Class: Wednesday sessions start at 12:20pm and finish at 3:00pm. Thursday and Friday sessions start at 8:50am and finish at 3:00pm.
30hr Children: Your sessions are 8:50am till 3:00pm every day.

Uniform and bags
Please ensure that your child attends Nursery in full school uniform. This includes a purple Holly Hill school book bag. Your child will be learning indoors and outdoors everyday so please send your child with a suitable coat everyday.

Spare Clothes...
We are in desperate need of spare clothes to change children into should they have an accident. If you have any of our spare clothes, please return them. We now have no spares at all. Please make sure your child has spare clothes in their peg bag.

Details to follow!
• 6.5.18 - May Day—school closed to all pupils.
• 22.5.18—Acorns / Conkers Wizards and wands writing workshop and open morning/afternoon
• 22.5.18 - Acorns Break up for half term
• 24.5.18—Conkers Break up for half term