

Holly Hill Nursery Class Newsletter — Spring Two

Life in all it Fullness

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a restful half term break and are ready for an exciting new term!
Please read on for more information.



Our Christian Values...

Our School's Christian Values underpin all that we do. This half term we will actively teach the children the following values:

Joy The children will feel the joy of new life.

Love The children will learn to make links between how they care for and love the chicks, how their families care for and love them and how Christians believe God cares and loves for everyone.

Gentleness The children will learn how it makes them feel when they are gentle and how the chicks respond to gentleness.

Kindness The children will learn how it makes them feel when they are kind and how the chicks respond to kindness.

Hope The children will learn about hope when waiting for the chicks to hatch.

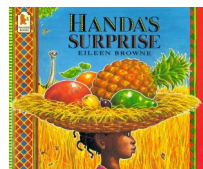
Patience The children will learn about patience when waiting for the chicks to hatch.

Tolerance and Respect The children will learn about life in a Kenyan village and consider things that are the same and things that are different between Frankley and Kenya.

Our topic this half term is...

Handa's Hen

We will be reading *Handa's Surprise* as a main story focus and learning about Africa, exotic fruits and vegetables, and animals native to Africa.



We will also be hatching our very own chicks in our classroom! We will be doing lots of work around the chicks, life cycles and, of course, Easter!

Dates for your diary... *Details to follow!*

- **Tuesday 27th February** - Acorns World Book Day
- **Thursday 1st March** - Conkers World Book Day
- **Monday 5th March** - The eggs arrive at nursery
- **Wednesday 21st March** - Sport Relief Day
- **Monday 26th March** - Autism Awareness Week
- **Tuesday 27th March** - Acorns Open Afternoon
- **Wednesday 28th March** - Conkers & Main School Open Afternoon
- **Thursday 29th March** - Break up for Easter

Attendance and Punctuality...Nursery attendance from September to the end of Spring 1 was 87%. Good attendance is 96%.

If your child is absent they miss out on lots of exciting learning opportunities. Poor attendance disadvantages a child's learning and can affect their ability to sustain friendships. **Please help your child to get the most out of their Nursery education by bringing them to school every day, on time.**



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**.

Full Time Children: Your sessions are **8:50am** till **3:00pm** every day.



Home Reading...

Thank you for your support with our take home books. The children are responding well and enjoy choosing a book to read at home!

We will continue to send books home and check the reading records as often as possible. We are seeing lots of progress in Literacy so we thank you for continued hard work at home!

Dinner Money...

Please ensure you pay for your child's lunches each week.

- Lunch for two days is **£2.40** per week.
- Full time children will need to pay **£6.00** per week.

If you believe you may be eligible for free school meals, please see Mrs Ingleby in the main office.

Nappies and Pull ups...

We are still having children coming to school in nappies and pullups. **Children who are not using the toilet are not able to reach the expected level for their age.** September will be here quicker than you know it and children cannot start school in nappies. We are here to support you and your child whilst you are toilet training. The sooner your child is dry during the day, the better it is for everyone - especially your child.

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 to us as soon as possible. **We now have no spares at all.**

If you are able to donate any pants, socks, trousers or tights, we will be eternally grateful. Thank you for your help!

