# Important dates

February Holiday Club - 21-25 February
Spring Term Ends - Friday 8th April
Easter Holiday Club - 11-22 April
Summer Term Begins - Monday 25th April

#### Fee Increase

With effect from the end of the Spring Term, we are regretfully increasing our fees. Unfortunately, the impact of the covid pandemic has resulted in the cost of everything increasing. We have have held off as long as we could before having to make any adjustments to our own fees. Please see the attached fee sheet for changes. We have chosen not to increase our fees for hot lunches and cold teas. Our session fees have increased as well as the additional services/consumables charge for our funded children which will increase to £3.00 per funded hour.

# **Let's Welcome...**

Amal, Oliver, Iola, George and Clementine

It's great to have you join us in Bears!

### Happy Birthday

Celebrating their Birthday this half term are:

Bodhi, Dylan, Leena and Thora

We hope that you have a wonderful day.



### **CLASSTOOM NEWS - BEATS**

We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and we have so enjoyed the first two weeks back after the Christmas Holidays.

Our focus in January will be Winter, polar lands and animals. The cold weather and the snow that we had the other week have helped with our theme. We will be introducing some core books each month and this month's will be 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'One Snowy Night'. Alongside reading these to the children, we will be giving the children props and re-read the stories so they can be acted out. At the end of the month, we will celebrate Luna New Year (Chinese New Year).

As we will continue to enjoy walks around the village to the park and woodland school site, please remember to bring coats, hats and gloves (if your child needs them), along with boots and waterproof clothes.

On Wednesday afternoons, we will continue to enjoy our Mini Professor sessions - the children really love these planned science sessions.

In February, our theme will be Places and Spaces. This will involve big box play, making dens and playing in tents. We will explore posting activities and be learning positional language such as inside/outside; under/on top, behind/in front, etc. We will visit the village park, woods and church whilst on our walks. Our core stories this month will be 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and 'The Three Little Pigs'.

We would like to thank everyone for continuing to adhere to our covid protocols. This particular strain of the covid-19 virus seems to be easily transmitted and we would continue to ask that all children are kept at home if they are showing any symptoms.

There have been some staff changes as we say goodbye to Megan who has moved into the Hedgehogs Classroom.

As always, if you have any questions, or if there are any changes to your child's day or needs, please don't hesitate to talk to us!

JULIE Sabrina, sue, Lucy, Gracie