## Summer Term May 2017

## Working in Partnership

#### **Donations of fruit**

Please remember to send in donations of fruit as the children enjoy trying the different varieties.

#### Spare clothes

Thank you for sending in a bag with spare clothes for emergencies.

#### **Library Books**

Children love taking books home to read with you. You can change your child's book when you drop them off or when you pick them up. We appreciate your help with changing their library books.

#### Sun hats

It would be really helpful if children can wear sunhats on sunny days as they enjoy playing in our nursery garden for long periods of time. Also try and put sunblock on before they come to nursery.

## Important Dates

<u>School closed on the</u> <u>following dates</u> Monday 5th June Staff training Day

Thursday 8th June General Elections School used as a polling station

# St Ives Infant School



Nursery Newsletter

## Jack and The Beanstalk

This half term we are going to use the story of Jack and The Beanstalk as a starting point for discussion about growing. Children have been very interested in growing and with the weather improving we should be able to plant beans in our nursery garden.

Listening to stories is a key part of our nursery curriculum. We start each half term with a story, which we read together using a story map and then retell through role play. Children retell the story using props or masks and start to understand the characters and what they get up to.

## **Large Play Equipment**

During the summer term we introduce the children to the large play equipment in the school playground. This helps the children to learn to use the equipment safely and how to take turns. Some children who will be moving up to Reception class in September will then be familiar with the equipment and it will help them with the transition. Please help us by ensuring that the children come to school in suitable footwear and for health and safety reasons flip flops are not appropriate.

#### Mark making

We have been helping children to give meaning to marks they make and helping to hold their pens correctly. We are also encouraging the older children, who will be starting school in September, to have a go at writing their name. You could support them at home by practising writing their name.

## **Learning Diary**

Please take a few moments to look through your child's Learning Diary when you drop them off. They have been very busy playing and learning in our nursery. If you have any pictures or places you visited over the weekend please do bring in photographs/tickets or your child's drawing and add them to their special book, as this then helps to give a more rounded picture of your child's learning and development.

> Thank you for all your valuable support and for working in partnership with us. Nursery team