

Heaton St. Barnabas' C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic break and that the children are excited to be back in school.

Our new topic is 'Bear's Big Adventure!' We will be enjoying a range of lovely stories, poetry and non-fiction books focusing on bears, as well as baking biscuit bears in DT and creating some beautiful artwork, learning how to mix colours and exploring various techniques. We will also be hosting a Teddy Bear's Picnic!

Now the children have been at school for a full term, we are progressing to writing in full sentences and using our phonics knowledge to support this. Please continue to read with your children at home and practise their phonics sounds regularly. We will soon be sending additional homework home along with the topic homework we gave out before Christmas. This will include some of the words we have been learning to read and write in phonics lessons and there will also be a maths challenge too. Please have fun doing this together at home!

A polite reminder that **PE and Library are on Wednesday**. Children need to be wearing their PE Kits when they come to school. As a reminder, the PE kit is black trousers or shorts and a white t-shirt (please ensure all items of clothing are **named**). Remember to also send your child's Library books back to school so that they may be changed.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team and we will be happy to help.

Many thanks, Miss Marshall and Mr Clark Reception Class Teachers



