

Heaton St. Barnabas' C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for all that 2024 brings. We're looking forward to working with the children again this half term and sharing with them all we have planned. In Year 4, **PE** takes place on a Wednesday and Friday. On these days, children need to come to school in full PE kit. Please label all PE kit (including trainers) and school uniform with your child's name as items of clothing quickly go astray in school. We will also be taking part in forest school activities on alternate Fridays.

Children will have a **reading book** that they should bring to school with them. Children are expected to read every night at home (preferably with an adult), or at least three times per week. This should be recorded in their planners and signed by an adult. **Spellings** are given out on **Monday** and will be tested on the following **Monday**. **Homework** will be a set of tasks linked to our learning and children should try to complete two or three tasks of their choice. We will have a Festival of Homework in the final week of the half term to celebrate the children's efforts. (This was a great event last half term; thank you for helping and encouraging your child with this.) Your child will have a times table competition or test each week so they will need daily practice at home on the times table they are working on that week. **School planners** must be brought to school each day to enable easy communication between school and home.

The following is a list of things your child will need every day for school:

- Indoor pumps
- School Planner
- PE kit (to be worn to school on Wednesday and Friday every week) and trainers
- Water bottle

Punctuality and attendance are crucial for your child's progress in Year 4. We would be grateful if you would ensure that they arrive on time for when school opens at 8.35 am. Other ways that you can support your child are to help them to learn their times tables, to read with them frequently, help them practise their spellings and to encourage them to complete their homework.

We are looking forward to working closely with you once again this half term. If you have any questions or concerns at any time regarding your child, please either put a note in your child's school planner or leave a message at the school office and we will get back in touch with you.

With best regards, Miss Britchford, Miss Murray and Mr Collins Year 4 Teachers



