



Year 1 Autumn Term Topic

Bears!



Dear Class One Parents and Carers

This term our creative curriculum will be based around the topic of bears. This will be a great opportunity to engage and excite the children in their first term in Year 1. Below you will see that each area of learning involves meaningful themed links wherever possible to maximum development opportunities and enhance the children's enjoyment and progress.

I would like to launch our topic by holding a *Bring a Bear to School Day* on Monday the 9th of September where the children can bring in their favourite furry friend and take part in lots of bear themed activities.

Thank you
Mrs White.



Literacy

- Developing our role-play area together to create an exciting bear cave and writing words and captions to label it.
- Our reading and story writing activities will be based on books such as 'We're going on a bear hunt!' 'Whatever next' and 'This is the bear'.
- Researching facts about different kinds of real bears.
- Writing instructions for bears.

Knowledge and understanding of the world

- Discovering the history behind teddy bears and other toys and comparing them with the toys of today.
- Finding out about the places that Barnaby bear has been travelling to.
- Making maps and plans and following directions.
- Using the Internet as well as books to research interesting facts and information.
- Looking at bear habitats and adaptations for their surroundings.
- Solving the Bear Hunt sound challenge.

Maths

- Counting songs and stories.
- Sequencing pictures and objects.
- Matching and sorting games.
- Solving problems for our story characters.
- Creating bear shape pictures.
- Comparing, ordering and measuring bears.
- Data handling activities.

Creativity

- Exploring shape and texture by collecting and using natural, Autumnal materials.
- Mixing colour and fabrics to create collages.
- Trying out joining methods to make a bear with moveable parts.
- Singing and creating music and actions for bear songs.