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Happy New Year!

It has been lovely to catch up with all the children following the Christmas Break. They have enjoyed telling us all about their Christmas holidays and we have loved hearing about how different families have celebrated together. Thank you for the photographs we received. They were fabulous to look at! The children have written about their favourite presents and about fun days out they have had over Christmas and New Year. Our topic this half term is Once Upon a Time. Each week, the children will explore different Traditional Tales in a number of creative ways. We have talked to the children about their favourite Fairy Tales and used props from our story sacks to prompt discussions about the

different characters we meet in each story. This week, we read The Three Little Pigs and the children retold their own versions with their friends, using puppets. We made story maps and drew our own Little Pigs. This week, we have started to teach 2 letter graphemes, starting with

#### sh, ch and th

In maths lessons, we have focused on number 8, including finding different ways to make 8. Please practise writing numbers to 8 at home. We have made number towers and put them in order, saying what is 1 more and 1 less than each number. We have explored 2D and 3D shapes and used them to build little houses for The 3 Little Pigs. We also looked at the different materials used to build the Pigs' houses and constructed houses from Lego and Duplo as well as recycled materials.

#### Home Learning

In the event of your child having to selfisolate, we have updated our Website with information about activities you can do with them at home to keep them up with their learning until they are able to return to school. Go to Heyhouses.lancs.sch.uk and click on the 'Home Learning' section and select 'Reception'.

#### uniform

Just a reminder to check all items of uniform are clearly named as some labels have inevitably peeled off or faded since September. This includes all items of P.E kits on Fridays, especially tracksuit tops as well as hats, scarves and gloves. Please teach your child to fasten their own coat now that it is getting

During the Winter months, the boys are still expected to wear shorts, rather than long trousers. They can wear jogging bottoms over the top to go outside. Any hair accessories should be in school colours only.

### Thank you!

A huge 'Thank you' to the family of Ryan Sudeesh from Sycamore Class, who raised £172.00 by holding a Christmas Raffle in their shop and for donating this huge amount to The Heyhouses Reception Department. This will go towards improving our outdoor space.

## Mappy Birthday

This week we celebrated the Birthday of

Patrick Sothern

