



'Spurring each other on with love'

School Drive, Woolwell, Plymouth PL6 7JW

☎: 01752 301837 Email: admin@bickleighdowndevon.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs Tameka Hue Hamilton

Monday 2nd February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we are continuing to focus on the story of The Gingerbread man.

Literacy:

The children will be...

- Writing instructions for how to make a gingerbread biscuit.
- Describing the taste of our home-made gingerbread.
- Writing about the different characters from the story and what they did.

Phonics:

- This week, we are reassessing the children. All groups will be recapping the sounds they have covered this half of term.
- Please ensure that your child's reading books and / or ditty sheet is in their bookbag on Friday. A few children didn't have them last week. We do not give out a new one unless they have returned the previous one.

Maths:

This week, we are continuing a unit of work called Building 6,7, and 8. The children will be...

- Exploring different representation of 6,7 and 8.
- Thinking about the days of the week and things that we do on different days.



Other Areas:

- Making boats for the Gingerbread Man to cross the river. We will be testing these at the end of the week using ginger biscuits.
- Exploring floating and sinking.
- Continuing to learn how to programme the BeeBots.
- Using the glockenspiels in music.
- Making gingerbread biscuits.
- Making up ball dances on our role play stage.

Reminders:

- On Thursday, we are having our first sharing session. Please come in with your child, help them put their things away then find their large Learning Journey and smaller yellow Literacy book. These will be in piles near where your child puts their bookbag. Find a space, anywhere within the unit, and let your child show you what they have been doing. Please remember that some learning gets added to Tapestry. The large Learning Journey contains work that your child has independently chosen to do, and the Literacy book contains guided writing activities. We hope you enjoy this time. On this occasion, it is not a time to play or get other resources out. We will do this next time. When you are ready to leave, please exit via the usual gates. There will be something on the board for the children to watch. We envisage the session ending at 9:10 so we have time to do the register and order our lunch.
- Don't forget that next Monday is our fairy tale ball. The children can come dressed up as a fairy tale character. If they have a copy of the story their character is in, they can bring that in with them. We will be talking about who we are dressed as and the story we are from.

Thank you for your continued support

The Foundation Stage team

