



'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 9th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start the last week of this half of term, we would like to say well done and thank you to all the children. They have worked incredibly hard. It is amazing how much they have progressed since Christmas.

Literacy:

This week, we are focusing on the story of Jack and The Beanstalk. The children will be...

- Reading and discussing the characters.
- Describing the characters from the story.
- Retelling the story.

Phonics:

- This week, we are continuing to carry out half termly phonics assessments. Therefore, in our phonics sessions we will be recapping all the sounds and special friends taught so far. If your child has changed level or colour group, they will be bringing home their new colour book after half term.



Maths:

- This week, we are focusing on height and length. The children will be comparing various items, putting them in order and then measuring using cubes.

Other Areas:

- Learning about Valentine's Day.
- Planting beans and learning about what plants need to grow.
- Role playing being at a ball and dancing with a partner.

Beanstalks:

- This week, the children will be planting runner beans. They will be bringing them home to look after. Over the half term holiday, we would like the children to start a diary, scrap book or log tracking how their bean has grown each week. Before the Easter holidays it would be wonderful if the children could bring their diaries in or post photos of the changes on Tapestry. We will send a reminder later next half term. If the children are involved in any other planting / growing please take a photo and share it on Tapestry. They love sharing what they have been doing with their friends. The bean plants do not need to be returned to school. This is an ongoing homework challenge.

Thank you to all those parents that were able to attend our stay and share session last Thursday. We will be holding another one next half term.

Any questions please come and see us.

The Foundation Stage Team

