Bickleigh Down Church of England Primary School

'Spurring each other on with love'

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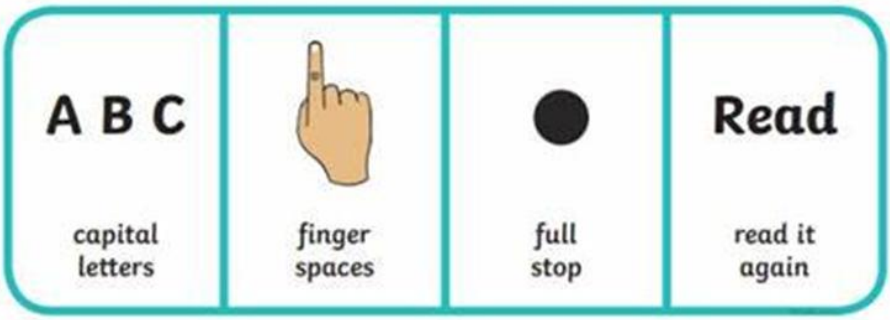
Monday 10th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

In **English** this week, we will be:

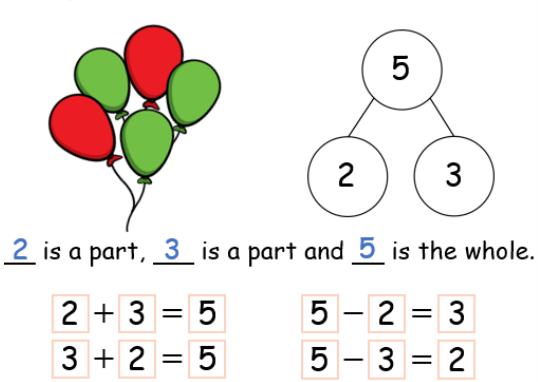
· Continuing to focus on the story called Sparks in the Sky.
· Taking part in our own pretend firework and bonfire experience.
· Using senses to describe our bonfire experience. The children will write simple sentences. We ask them to generate an idea and then rehearse it using picture prompts to help them to check their sentence.



In Maths this week, we will be:

· Looking at fact families.

· Representing number bonds in the part-whole model and as calculations.



Topic work: We will be:

- Learning about Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot. (History)
- PE will continue to take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Starting a new topic on materials. This week we will focus on wood, plastic, glass and metal. (Science)
- Thinking about our big question 'Who is special to us?' The children will draw and label the people in their family. (PSHE)
- Focusing on a new topic in DT on moving pictures. The children are enjoying exploring different mechanisms and creating some great moving pictures. This week we will look at sliders. To support your child at home, explore any books with moving parts at home and talk about whether they have sliders, hinges or pivots. (DT)
- Learning about the meaning of Incarnation and Christmas. (RE)
- Learning about rhythm, pulse and pitch in the 'Rhythm In The Way We Walk' unit. (Music)

Spellings

This week, we will focus on 4 new spellings and one previous spelling. This forms part of the children's retrieval practice and helps children to retain these spellings rather than just learning them for the test.

This week's spellings are :

he me she be you

Reading and Library books.

These will be changed on Monday.

There will be no Key Stage One Awards next week. Key Stage One Awards will resume on Tuesday 18th November 2025.

Thank you for your support.

Year One Team