



Pre-School Newsletter 22nd and 29th January



Over the next two weeks we will be exploring traditional tales '**The Gingerbread Man**' and '**Little Red Riding Hood**'. These stories will enable us to have the chance to retell these classic tales and perhaps add our own twist to these stories during role play opportunities. Key vocabulary: ginger, spice, baking, delicious, batter, dough, hero, villain, woods, forest, basket, healthy and unhealthy.

Our nursery rhyme focus will be: '**I can sing a rainbow**' and '**Here is the beehive!**'



We will be focusing on the key text *The Gingerbread Man* next week; throughout the week we will have the opportunity to be detectives to discover who our secret visitor has been! Following this the children will have the chance to make gingerbread playdough and practise creating different patterns with the gingerbread buttons. Wraparound children will also be baking and decorating their own gingerbread person.



The following week we will be focusing on *Little Red Riding Hood*; during this week we will be able to discuss the key characters from this text and discovering whether they are heroes or villains. We will also discuss creating our own basket for Grandma, we will ensure we use healthy foods for her.

Phonics and Maths

The children have loved participating in our new Phonics and Maths lessons. These are short and engaging lessons throughout the morning.

The children will be engaging in listening games and identifying instrumental sounds within Phonics.

Within Maths, we will consolidate our knowledge on subitising to 4 (knowing the number of objects without counting them.) We will also have the opportunity to participate in shape games to help us identify 2D shapes.

Things to do at home

29th January – school closed for pupils, INSET day.

Go on a walk and play listening games.

Practise counting and writing different numerals

Encourage independence in self-care routines, such as; zipping coats, putting on hat, scarves and gloves.

Please ensure ALL items of clothes are labelled.

Have lots of fun and please share photos on Dojo!