## **Gingerbread Biscuits**

## Ingredients:

350g Plain Flour

175g Soft Light Brown Sugar

100g Butter

4 Tablespoons of Golden Syrup or Maple Syrup

2 Teaspoons of Ground Ginger

2 Eggs

1 Teaspoon of Bicarbonate of Soda: School to Provide



You will need a shaped cutter to shape the biscuits and a container to take them home in.



## **Ingredients for Decoration:**

100g Icing Sugar Few Drops of Water Food Colour Any Decorations

## Method:

- 1. Pre-heat the oven to 190°C or Gas Mark 5.
- 2. Line a baking tray with greaseproof paper.
- 3. Sift the flour, ginger and bicarbonate of soda into a large plastic mixing bowl.
- 4. Cut the butter into chunks and add them to the large bowl.
- **5.** Rub the butter into the flour with your fingertips until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs.
- **6.** Stir the soft light brown sugar into the mixture.
- 7. Break the eggs into a small bowl and beat with a fork.
- **8.** Heat a tablespoon in hot water to help measure out the syrup. Measure the syrup and add this to the egg and beat together well.
- **9.** Stir the egg and syrup mixture into the flour, mix everything together with a metal tablespoon until it makes a dough. You may find it easier to use your hands to soften the butter.
- **10.** Sprinkle a clean work surface with flour and put the dough onto it. Stretch the dough by pushing it away from you.
- **11.** Fold the dough in half. Turn it and push it away from you again. Continue to push, turn and fold until the dough is smooth.
- **12.** Cut the dough in half. Sprinkle a little more flour onto the work surface.
- **13.** Roll out the dough until it is about 5mm thick.
- **14.** Use a cookie cutter to cut out lots of shapes from the dough. Lift the shapes onto the baking tray with a fish slice.
- **15.** Roll out the other half of the dough and cut shapes from it.
- **16.** Bake in the oven for 12 to 15 minutes until they turn golden brown.
- **17.** After baking, leave the biscuits on the baking tray for about 5 minutes, then lift them onto a cooling rack using a fish slice.
- **18.** Leave to cool.
- **19.** Decorate as desired.





