

What's The Big Idea?

Magical Creatures

Book Study:
The Baddies by Julia Donaldson.

End Goal: To create magical creatures using different artistic techniques and share them with our families.

Reception Autumn 1



Expressive Arts and Design information:

Explore and use a range of artistic tools including colour mixing, using scissors, holding a pencil correctly etc.

Create pieces of art collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs

Links to learning:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdTVIBlu0gA> -
5 Little mermaids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S1atmGLwbIE> -
Go Danny Go Unicorn dance

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7NWzS2xziI4> -
Dragon Cosmic Yoga



Communication and Language Key Information:

Knows stories and talks about them.

Answers questions with relative answers.

Respond to others.

Pays attention and knows what has happened.

Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.

Knowledge Vocabulary:

Magic Magical Creatures Mermaids

Unicorns Dragons Eggs

Nests Fairies Create Make

Art

Optional home learning activities-

Week 1: Rest from a busy first week at school!

Week 2: Can you draw a picture of your family? Who lives in your home?

Week 3: If you were a mermaid what would you look like? Can you draw a picture?

Week 4: Tell your grown up all about Unicorns - what have we learnt this week?

Week 5: Can you tell your family about how to make colours from mixing paint? How do you make green, orange and purple?

Week 6: Practise cutting at home. Can you remember how to hold scissors? Try following a wavy line, straight line or maybe a zig zag line!

Week 7: Can you create a piece of art work using the skills you have learnt at school? You could draw, paint or make a collage by cutting up paper!

Week 8: It has been a very busy half term and you have been amazing! Have a break and enjoy your weekend :).

Enquiry questions:

What is a magical creature? What magical creatures are there? What makes them magical? Can we make our own magical creatures?

Key Texts:

The Baddies - Julia Donaldson

The bedtime book of magical creatures - Stephen Krensky

The Yawnicorn - Emily Hamilton

Just be yourself Dragon- Bianca Schulze