

## Twisted Tales

Welcome back! Our topic this half term is certain to capture the children's imagination! We'll be immersing them in a fairy tale world, with a twist!

Imagine if Rapunzel hatched a plan to escape. What if the Troll wasn't so awful after all? Or, Perhaps Granny ate the wolf!

We'll be reading a number of traditional fairy tales and comparing them to their twisted versions, focussing largely on the twisted tales written by Bethan Woolvin who will be visiting school in a few weeks time to work with the children in both writing and illustration workshops. We can't wait to meet her!

Our Learning Theme		Important Dates:
Twisted Tales		Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September – Outdoor Learning 2GD Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September – Outdoor Learning 2K Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September – Individual Photographs Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October – Bethan Woolvin writing & illustration workshop
Homework	Reading	PE Days
Learn By Hearts will be sent home fortnightly on a Friday, beginning Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September. Children will have two weeks to complete their work and should return their work on the date specified in the book. The Learn By Hearts book will cover maths skills and spellings.	Children will have regular reading sessions at school where they read either independently or with an adult and complete quizzes/answer questions to check their comprehension. Please ensure you read with your child at home as often as possible, ideally daily.	Monday – Outdoor PE Thursday – Indoor PE Please ensure children are appropriately dressed in school PE uniform.
Curriculum		
English	Maths	Science
During the topic children will make predictions, compare and contrast stories, write in character as the troll, summarise and use skills such as story mapping, building up to them writing their own twisted tale!	We'll be consolidating and building on the children's knowledge of number and place value before moving on to written and mental methods of addition and subtraction. Children will have lots of opportunity to practise these skills through games.	The children will be exploring materials and working collaboratively to design an 'egg cosy' to ensure Humpty Dumpty doesn't get broken again! We'll also be learning about plants and growing Rapunzel cress heads.
Humanities	Art/DT	Computing
Supported by our understanding of maps from our outdoor learning session, the children will be creating a fairy tale map of their own. They will be using directional and positional language to describe the location of features and routes on their map.	Based on the artwork of Sue Blackwell, the children will work collaboratively to create a miniature fairy tale world in a shoe box.  Please keep any shoe boxes and send them to school as soon as possible.	Using the Ipads, children will be working on Purple Mash to instruct their character on how to navigate a map.
Other:		
We'll be learning some singing games in music and finding out about 'Special Days' in RE.		