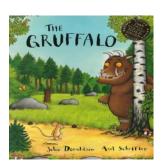
The 3 boxes below are the focused activities for nursery pupils this week. Please take some pictures so that you can share what you have been doing with us!

# The Gruffalo

 Read/listen to The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson. There's a YouTube link below if you don't have a copy of the book at home.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8sUPp Pc8Ws



- Listen to The Gruffalo song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Zf

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- Can you draw your own imaginary creature? Will it have horns, scales, 2 heads or tusks etc.? Think about what colour it might be, its size and shape. Think of words to describe your creature- is it kind, angry, loud or friendly?

# Sound of the week - 'g'



- Say the rhyme as you write Round her face, down her hair and give her a curl
- As the animals in the story wanted to invite the mouse to tea, have a go at writing a menu. What could they have for tea? Choose a food and help your child to identify the initial letter of that food. Can they write the letter independently? To challenge your child encourage them to have a go at 'sounding out' the whole word.

#### **Mathematics**

 Reinforce knowledge of 2D shapes. Choose an animal from the story to make using only 1 shape e.g. a fox using triangles for the shape of his face, ears, nose etc. Challenge your child to tell you how many sides and corners the 2d shape has.





• The animals in the story invited mouse to have tea with them. Set up a tea party with some toy animals and water in the garden. Use different size cups/beakers and enjoy pouring, filling and emptying them. Ask them to make their cup full, empty, half full, nearly full etc. Which cup do they think will hold the most/least? How many small cups/spoonful's etc. do they think it will take to fill the big cup? Estimate first, then test it to see if they were right. The 3 boxes below are some suggested extra activities to complete. Please take some pictures so that you can share what you have been doing with us!

### **Independence Skills**

 Enjoy cooking together – you could make Gruffalo cupcakes. Use your fingers or a spoon to mix and stir the ingredients. You could use chocolate sprinkles for his fur, mini marshmallows for teeth, mini sweets for eyes etc.

https://www.sunhatsandwellieboots.com/2 012/02/gruffalo-cupcakes.html



#### Creative

- Go for a walk in search of the Gruffalo.
  Can you make and decorate binoculars to take with you on your search? You could use kitchen roll tubes
- You could take the 'Spring Spotter' sheet along with you

https://www.forestryengland.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Gruffalo%20Spotters\_Activity%20Spotter%20Sheet%20A4%20\_final.pdf



 Visit the Gruffalo website where you are able to print off and colour a variety of pictures. Or if you don't have a printer maybe you could draw and colour your favourite animal from the story.

## Role Play

 Can you set up your own Forest Café, serving food from the Gruffalo story? You could make roasted fox (we used pasta and googly eyes), scrambled snake (we used ribbons), Gruffalo crumble (we used cereal) or owl ice cream. What could you use? Have fun!

