

St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

Reception Spring 1 - Fairytales and Fantasies



What can I do with my Imagination?

- ❑ Children will explore fantasy texts for enjoyment, retelling the stories and using this to support their writing.
- ❑ Children will learn that our country has a royal family.
- ❑ Children will discover key parts of a castle, using various types of media to recreate their own models.
- ❑ Children will explore characters in books and develop their vocabulary to describe characters.

Creativity and having our own ideas

The Three Characteristics of Effective Learning of the Early Years Foundation Stage

Playing and Exploring
Children investigate and experience things. They are willing to 'have a go'
Engagement

Active Learning
Children concentrate and keep on trying when they encounter difficulties. They enjoy their achievements
Motivation

Creating and Thinking Critically
Children have and develop their own ideas. They make links between ideas and choose ways to do things
Thinking

Key vocabulary

Character - someone in a story

Castle - a secure building made of stone to protect people from enemies.

Moat - a deep trench built around the castle, usually filled with water

Drawbridge - a bridge that can be lowered over the moat to allow entry to the castle

Portcullis - strong metal gate that is raised and lowered on each side of the entrance gateway

Fantasy - using our imagination to create something that isn't real



Is a witch always bad?

Children will explore their experience of 'goodies' and 'baddies' of characters in familiar books.

Books

