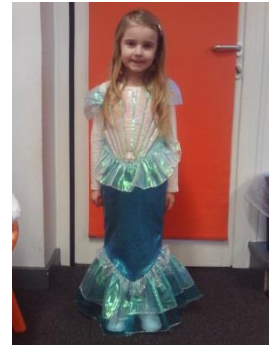


Year 1 – Purple, Green and Orange

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and that the children are all ready for a fantastic new term!

This term our theme is 'Oh no it's a...!' based on the stories of Julia Donaldson. We started our new term with everyone dressing up as a character from one of the many stories Julia Donaldson has written. The children looked amazing!



On Monday the children went to the allotment and found a huge footprint!



They decided that it had been left behind by the Gruffalo and wondered where he was hiding! We then talked about 'Wanted' posters and looked at the features of a poster. We also produced a story map of the Gruffalo's description using pictures and putting actions to them so we could learn them off by heart.

In Maths we are continuing to learn how to add and subtract numbers within 20 using ten frames and number lines.

As part of our History work, we have been learning about Julia Donaldson's life. We found out some interesting facts such as she was born in London in 1948, became a teacher in 1970 and married her husband in 1972.

In Music we listened to, and talked about, a song called 'In the groove' which is in the style of Blues music. We played some warm up games and learnt the song which we sang beautifully! We are studying the artist William Morris and have been looking at some of his artwork. We have been saying what we like or possible don't like about his artwork, giving reasons for this.

Next week the children are continuing to use adjectives to describe their own Gruffalo using a story map and then writing sentences. We shall be starting our science topic, 'Animals' by identifying and naming a variety of common animals. In Music we will listen to a Baroque version of 'In the groove' and use instruments to accompany our singing. In our Art lessons we will explore different mark making techniques using pencils.