








Week 3: Magic and Mystery

This theme focuses on using our imagination and finding out about the universe! Children can read traditional tales, look at non-fiction books about our world and universe, star gaze and create magic potions!

<p>English</p>	<p>Make a den/tent – inside or outside https://www.noaandnani.co.uk/den-building-ideas-for-the-best-dens-ever-i43#Indoors</p>  <p>Write a password/riddle</p>  <p>Write a message using a secret code</p> <p>Read the BFG by Roald Dahl or watch the DVD Write a letter to a friendly giant and hang it up for him/her to read – tell them about the magical/mysterious things that happen in your garden/road or tell them about you.</p> <p>Write Instructions for a robot to follow – remember to use Left, Right, Forwards, Backwards, Clockwise, anti-clockwise</p>	<p>Make a den secret passcode A = 1, B = 2, C = 3 etc or pair the letters of the alphabet like this... a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z so.... and = naq come in = pbzr va</p> 
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	<p>Write a fairy dust spell</p>  <p>Make a story plan/circle out of real things with labels – use adjectives and similes</p> <p>Make/paint some story stones – magic, robots, space, fairies and write the story to go with them</p> <p>Write/design a menu for your character. What would they eat and why?</p> <p>Magic Carpet adventures – look at Google Maps or an Atlas – where would you fly? What would be underneath you? Famous landmarks – label or describe</p>	 
<p>Maths</p>	<p>Patterns – create some repeating patterns with everyday objects – 2, 3, 3</p> <p>Play Battle ships or other board games</p> <p>Make Top Trumps cards for magical fairy/elf creatures. What could the categories be? Maybe size? Magical powers? Beauty? I bet you can think of some more....</p> <p>Make sure you use different numbers for the categories. Use your cards to compare numbers, which is the largest? Smallest? Can you order the cards for a category from smallest to largest?</p>	<p>Perhaps you could use fallen leaves and petals to create patterns? Patterns can go round in a circle or spiral as well as in lines.</p> 
<p>Creative</p>	<p>Lie on the floor and look up at the sky – what picture can you imagine from the clouds? Which direction are they moving in? Have a go at drawing the cloud shapes over a few days and see which different types you spot.</p> <p>When it is dark – can you make a picture of the night sky?</p>	<p>Make a den/tent outside</p>

Blow some bubbles – what colours can you see? Where do the bubbles go?



Look Up and Use Your Imagination!

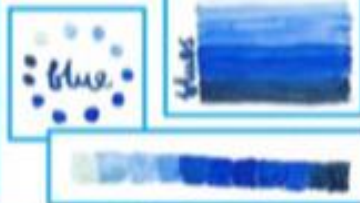
Find a comfy spot and relax. Look up at the sky and observe the clouds. Take time to really look at them. What shapes are they? Are they round, flat, long, thin, fat? Are any clouds close together or are they far apart? Do the shapes of the clouds resemble anything, anyone or anywhere? A person, a country, a monster, an animal, a car? Have a go at drawing the cloud shapes on a piece of paper and then turn them into something!



Cloud and Sky Art Ideas

All kinds of Blue!

Pack up your painting gear and take it outside! You will need paint (watercolours or ready mixed), something to mix in, a pot with some water, a paintbrush and some paper. Use the lovely blue sky as inspiration and see if you can mix up your own collection of blue hues! This is your chance to experiment and explore the way that colours mix. Try adding different amounts of black and white to your blue paint. What happens? You can present your blues anyway you fancy! You may want to create a circle of blues or maybe blue stripes? You may want to organise them from lightest to darkest? Or maybe darkest to lightest? You could even make a rainbow of blues!



A Watercolour Sky

Watercolour moves and spreads across the page. Don't panic, let it go and guide it in the direction you want it to travel in, it can make a beautiful cloudy sky! Adding more or less water creates different effects so you may want some paper to experiment on at the same time. Watercolours create beautiful, atmospheric sky images. Observe and paint!

Top tip: When reflecting on and evaluating your image hold it at arm's length to see how it looks from a distance.



Georgia O'Keeffe

Children love Georgia O'Keeffe's *Sky Above Cloud* series of paintings. O'Keeffe responded to views of clouds out of aeroplane windows. Our view is a little different – we are looking up at the clouds but can still take inspiration from her work. Take a piece of paper and explore painting clouds, interpret them in your own way. You may want to try and make them look realistic or you may want to take a more abstract approach. You could paint your paper blue before you begin. O'Keeffe worked on different sized canvases – you choose the size of your picture. One of her cloud paintings is as 8ft x 24ft!



Understanding of the World

Space – what are all the planets called. What can you find out about Space Travel?
Who is a famous woman or man astronaut?
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03dc9cn>

Can you identify any of the stars when you look at the night sky?

Robots – design a robot. Can you upcycle something to make a robot?

Construction – what can you make out of Lego? Can you draw and follow a plan?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03dc9cn>

<https://www.the11best.com/stargazing-activities-for-kids/>

LEGO CHALLENGE CALENDAR

31 Days of Fun Ideas for Any Month!

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DAY 1 Build Your Name or Initials	DAY 2 Build a Person With Moving Legs and Arms	DAY 3 Build a Catapult	DAY 4 Build a Robot	DAY 5 Build a House That Opens	DAY 6 Build a Boat That Floats	DAY 7 Build a 100-Brick Tower
DAY 8 Build a Box With a Lid	DAY 9 Build a Small World Scene	DAY 10 Write a Comic Strip for a Minifigure	DAY 11 Build a Model of Your Room	DAY 12 Build a Simple Machine	DAY 13 Build a Bridge That Can Hold Something Heavy	DAY 14 Build a Favorite Character
DAY 15 Make a Mosaic Using Flat Pieces On Baseplate	DAY 16 Draw a Design Make it with LEGO Bricks	DAY 17 Build Something To Go With A Favorite Book	DAY 18 Build a swimming pool for a minifigure	DAY 19 Build With Eyes Closed 5 Minutes	DAY 20 Build a Pyramid	DAY 21 Build a Marble Run
DAY 22 Draw a Play Mat and Add LEGO	DAY 23 Learn Paper Football and Build a Goal	DAY 24 Have a Minifigure Building Race	DAY 25 Build a Marble Maze	DAY 26 Try to Sink a Minifigure	DAY 27 Build a Zip Line	DAY 28 Make Your Own LEGO Skittles Game
DAY 29 Build a Parachute for a Minifigure	DAY 30 Build a Car Attach a Marker and Draw!	DAY 31 Ask For a Bin of Soapy Water Wash LEGO!				

Cook some mystery biscuits/cakes – banana flavour but use pink food colouring!

Make a fairy garden or a home for your stickman

Make a pretend fun fare or park. What would this look like from a birds eye view – can you draw it?

Can you make something that goes up/down/round. Think about how you can join things together.

Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Know how to make freestanding structures stronger, stiffer and more stable.• Know and use technical vocabulary relevant to the project.
Vocabulary	cut, fold, join, fix structure, wall, tower, framework, weak, strong, base, top, underneath, side, edge, surface, thinner, thicker, corner, point, straight, curved, metal, wood, plastic circle, triangle, square, rectangle, cuboid, cube, cylinder



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