

**Enabling Environments - Independent Challenges** Ideas to Enhance / Provocations in Continuous Provision

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Go on a Gruffalo hunt, take photos and hide some of the animals around outside. Talk about the photos you took and what you saw on the hunt.

Talk about how brave the mouse was and a time that you were brave.

Language and Communication

Bake Gruffalo crumble with butternut squash and apple.

Set up a tuff tray with various things children can use to make a Gruffalo crumble i.e.. Cereals, rice, flour, grated carrot,



Make shadow puppets of the characters and make a theatre for retelling the story.

Make Gruffalo crumble in the mud kitchen.

Ice cream tasting!

Physical Development

Build log pile houses with logs.

Brown playdough with buttons and purple pipe cleaners.

Move like the animals in the story.

Cutting up scrambled spaghetti.

Literacy

Write an invitation for the animals in the story to a tea party to eat the crumble you have made.

Write a recipe for the Gruffalo Crumble.

Write a shopping list for the tea party.

Gruffalo trail of sounds you have learnt.

Discover Gruffalo flour footprints and write a police report.

Focus/Theme:

**The Gruffalo**

Ideas from Children/Interests/What has happened before?

What Next?

Expressive Art and Design

Animal dressing up and fabrics and props children can use.

Collage a Gruffalo picture.



Listen to some music and draw your own scary creature.

Mathematical Development

Count the prickles on the Gruffalos back.

Create a Gruffalo café.

Count seeds into soil.

Doubling ants.

Weighing ingredients for the crumble.

Use shapes to create the animals.

Understanding the World

Make a sticky green wart.

Sort and match pictures of animals and the food that they eat.

Rescue frozen owls from ice.