

Key Stage 3: Knowledge Organiser		Topic: Fantastical Creatures	Year: 9
LEARNING JOURNEY	Inspiration & Influences	You will learn the importance of research for design, referencing mythological creatures, the imaginative artwork of sculptor Pedro Linares and illustrations by Chris Buzelli, Marco Mazzoni and Corine Perier.	
	Explore & Create	You will develop three alternative designs for an imaginative hybrid, a fantastical creature combining body parts and decorative detail extracted from your drawings and research based on a wide variety of animal species. You will aim to demonstrate creative design skills.	
	Observational Studies	You will produce carefully observed detailed drawings, based upon a varied selection of animal body parts. Studies can be made from mammals, birds, fish, insects and reptiles. You are required to demonstrate drawing skills using at least three techniques, which may include pen, pencil, pencil crayon, collage and paint.	
	Final Design	You will select your most successful design idea for your final illustration, using any choice or combination of drawing media. If time permits, you can include an appropriate background for your hybrid. Marks will be awarded for the design, drawing skills and technical competence.	



Key Words Glossary		Independent Learning Tasks
Mythical Creature	An imaginary creature usually having various human and animal parts.	Artistic Referencing: You will collect examples of your favourite examples discussed in lessons and analyse the key features
Hybrid	The offspring of animals of different species	
Fantastical	Appearing as if conceived by an unrestrained imagination	
Bizarre	Very strange or unusual	Observational Drawing: You will complete studies in lessons and continue to provide more evidence of your ability for homework.
Eccentric	Strange or unusual, sometimes in a humorous way.	
Extraordinary	Beyond what is usual, ordinary, regular, or established	
Creative	To be inventive, making new ideas connecting with researched information.	Research to underpin the design ideas: You will find images from the internet of different animal species and if possible take your own photographs.
Observational drawing	A drawing direct from life, examining measurement, proportion, detail and tone	
Integration	The design process of combining varied images	
Tonal Values	Light and dark values used in a drawing for visual impact, contrast and definition.	Design Development: You will continue to develop design ideas at home, collaging and drawing detail from different animals to create your own hybrids.
Contrast	The arrangement of opposite elements: light and dark colours, complex and simple patterns.	
Analysis	To study or examine something in fine detail	
Palette	A limited range of colours	Reflection: You will comment on your ideas, making connections with your references, to explain your thinking. You will also evaluate planning and technical skills, using your choice of media.
Composition	The ways in which various elements are arranged to form a well- balanced design.	
Innovative	Creative thinking for producing new ideas	
Extract	To remove an area from a larger whole	
Surreal	Not seeming real, unbelievable like a dream	
Whimsical	Odd, funny, fanciful and unusual	

