Potions





Poisonous potions, aromatic brews, vapour or a sticky goo... Welcome to the amazing world of potions!

By reading an extract from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, we'll learn all about mysterious potions, and write a safety label for Alice's bottle. We'll sort everyday items into solids, liquids and gases. Using our investigation skills we'll explore capacity and the properties of liquids. We'll also design fabulous bottles for magical potions. Becoming super scientists, we'll investigate chemical reactions and states of matter. We'll research the use of anaesthetic and learn what life was like without it! The play, *Romeo and Juliet* will inspire us to write scripts, and we'll think of an alternative ending for this tragic tale. We'll write spells with magical, strange or gruesome effects – what ingredients will we use? It will be great fun to make chocolate hearts and bath bombs! We'll also create canvas art on a large scale!

At the end of the ILP, we'll invite you to visit our class of potion masters. We'll even make delicious potion treats for you to taste!

ILP focus	Science and technology
Languages, literacy and communication	Labels and instructions, letter writing, play scripts, non-chronological reports, poetry
Science and technology	States of matter, product development, presenting information
Expressive arts	Design, clay work, crayon art, photography, improvising, dance
Humanities	Historic use of potions
Mathematics and numeracy	Measurement

Help your child prepare for their project

'Double, double toil and trouble; fire burn and cauldron bubble.' Why not hunt around the house to track down a wide variety of items and sort them into solids, liquids and gases? You could also sketch interesting bottles or containers that you have at home. Alternatively, you could try baking something new together, thinking about how the ingredients change when you mix and cook them.