

Create Your Own Coat of Arms

The art of designing a coat of arms is called 'heraldry'.

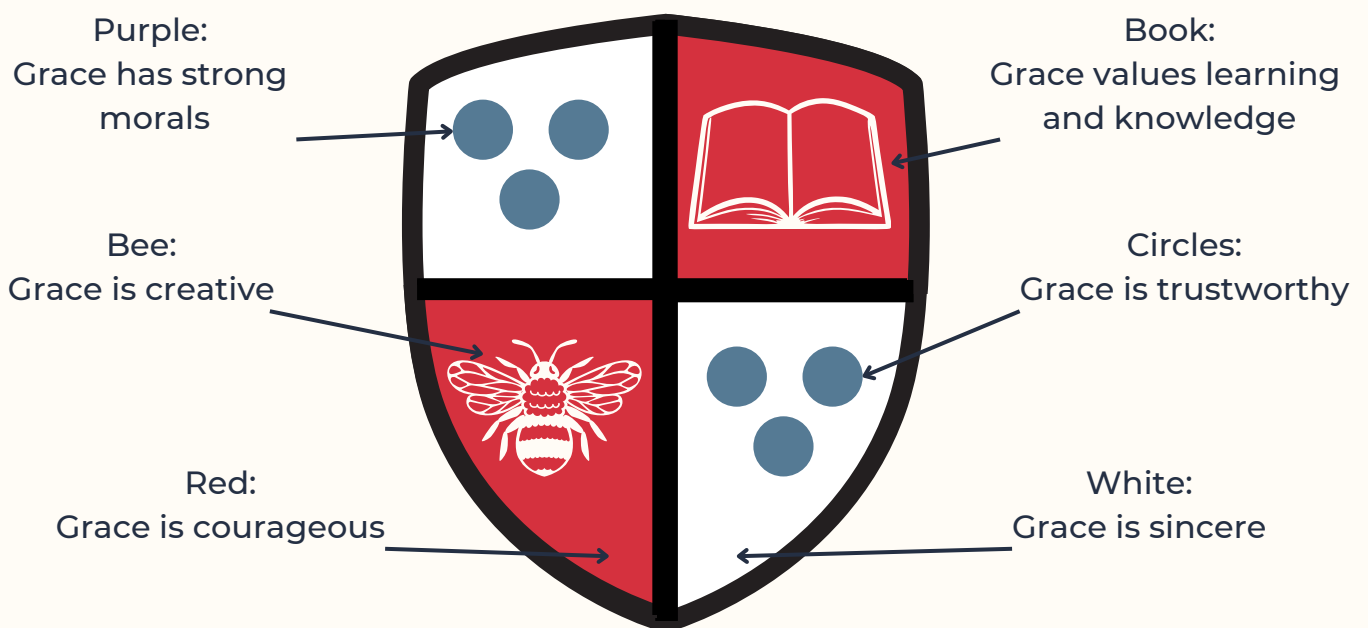
The first heraldic designs (coats of arms) were created in the middle ages. At the time, knights wore heavy armour and helmets that hid their faces, so shields with clear designs were a useful way for them to recognise each other!



Coats of arms began to be passed down through families. Over time, a set of rules were made to describe the meaning of each colour, animal or symbol on a coat of arms.

A coat of arms reflects the personality and talents of its owner. What are your personal qualities? Are you kind? Brave? A good friend?

Here's a coat of arms we made for Grace:



Try using the guide on the next page to create your own coat of arms!

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First, choose up to 3 colours:

Black
Wisdom

Green
Joy & Hope

Red
Courage

Blue
Morality

Purple
Justice

Yellow
Glory

White
Sincerity

Second, choose up to 2 animals



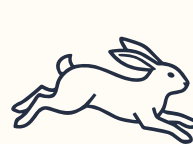
Dog
Faithful



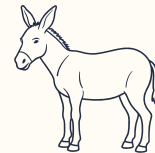
Lion
Courageous



Eagle
Powerful



Hare
Swift



Donkey
Patient



Bee
Creative



Bear
Strong



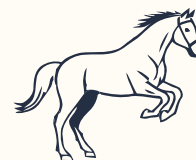
Stag
Wise



Badger
Tough



Bird
Peaceful



Horse
Intelligent



Dragon
Cunning

Third, choose up to 2 symbols



Apple
Generosity



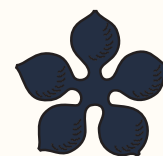
Berries
Peace



Book
Learning



Castle
Safety



Cinquefoil
Hope



Flame
Enthusiasm



Flowers
Joy



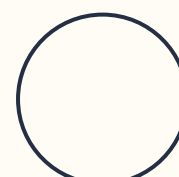
Vine
Friendship



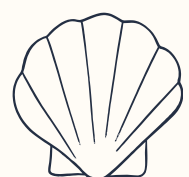
Heart
Charity



Lozenge
Honesty



Circle
Trust



Shell
Leadership

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Combine your chosen colours, animals and symbols to create your very own coat of arms:

