



# NEO RYSIO PRIMARY SCHOOL

## LIST OF LEGENDS

### *Fantastic Creatures*

1.Cyclops is a race of giants, each with a single eye in the center of his forehead. The word "cyclops" literally means "round-eyed" or "circle-eyed".



2.The Minotaur is a mythical creature portrayed in Classical times with the head of a bull and the body of a man .



3.Drosulites is an army of dead warriors with glittering armours which protrudes to the sea above Fragokastelo at Crete at the end of May just before the sun comes out.



5.Pan is the god of the wild, shepherds and flocks, nature of mountain wilds and rustic music, and companion of the nymphs.



## HEROES

1. Heracles is a Greek divine hero, who was the son of Zeus and the mortal Alcmene. In classical mythology, **Hercules** is famous for his strength and for his numerous far-ranging adventures.



2. Digenis Akritas is an epic which details the life of the hero, Basil (Βασίλειος), whose epithet *Digenes Akritas* ("Two Blood Border Lord" or "Twain-born Borderer") refers to his mixed Byzantine-Cappadocian Greek and Arab blood.



## LOVE STORY

1.Gerakina :According to the tradition, Gerakina, trying to pump water from a well, fell in and did not manage to survive despite her beloved efforts. The story became legend and over time evolved into one of the best dances.



2.Orfeus and Euricide : the legend concerns the fateful love of Orpheus of Thrace, son of Apollo and the muse Calliope, for the beautiful Eurydice.



## ANIMALS

1. Amaltheia - Cornucopia. The horn of a legendary goat, Amaltheia. In classical antiquity, the **cornucopia** (from Latin cornu copiae) or horn of plenty was a symbol of abundance and nourishment, commonly a large horn-shaped container overflowing with produce, flowers or nuts.



2. Arachne, was a human woman whose talents at weaving were spectacular. Her confrontation with goddess Athena.



3. Alcyone . In Greek mythology, Alcyone or Alkyone was the daughter of Aeolus, either by Enarete or Aegiale. She married Ceyx, son of Eosphorus the Morning Star.



4. Kerberos .It was a three-headed dog that guarded the entrance of the Underworld, allowing the dead to enter but letting none out.



## *CRIME DOES NOT PAY*

1. The Legend of Prometheus : An immortal Titan who received eternal punishment for stealing fire from Zeus.



2. Sisyphus .Once a king of Ephyra (or Corinth), Sisyphus was said to be murderous, selfish, and deceitful.



## HOW WAS MY CITY FOUNDED

### 1. King Cassander and his wife Thessaloniki.

The city of Thessaloniki was founded in 315 BC by Cassander of Macedon. An important metropolis by the Roman period, Thessaloniki was the second largest and wealthiest city of the Byzantine Empire. It was conquered by the Ottomans in 1430, and passed from the Ottoman Empire to Greece on November 8, 1912.

Thessaloniki is home to numerous notable Byzantine monuments, including the Paleochristian and Byzantine monuments of Thessaloniki, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, as well as several Roman, Ottoman and Sephardic Jewish structures.



2. Saint Demetrios- the Patron of the city. The people believe it was his intervention that saved the city during many attacks by Slavic nations, the Bulgarians, Arabs, Saracens and others.



2.Urban Legends of the city . A modern, vibrant cosmopolitan city, with a complex and fascinating history, Thessaloniki offers a charming set of solemn religious traditions, urban myths and legends of the paranormal. Most of them are inextricably tied to specific buildings, sites and landmarks, easily located and freely accessed such as

*The bleeding stone - Ippodromiou square - The haunted house - The gardens of pasha - The red tower /.....*

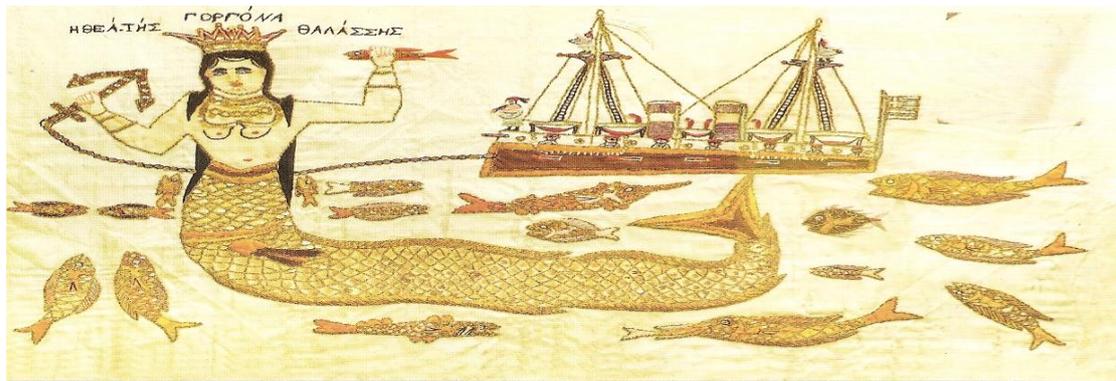


## *BLOOD IS THICKER THAN WATER*

1. Icarus and Daedalus : **Icarus** is the son of the master craftsman **Daedalus**, the creator of the Labyrinth.



2. Mermaid is the wandering in the oceans sister of Alexander the Great .



3. Kallipatira .The only woman who entered the stadium at the Olympic Games.

