



Warden Hill  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



APRIL 2020 | STAY AT HOME

## Update from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Children

I hope you are all well and have enjoyed the run of gorgeous weather. As we come to the end of our 4th week of home schooling, I wanted to let you know how proud we are of all of you in coping so well with this new way of learning. Some of the things your teachers have sent me or told me about are just brilliant and it is clear you all have a great attitude to your education and are picking up new skills along the way. A massive thank goes out to all our parents for continuing to support and facilitate this at home – it is very much appreciated. As always, please remember to get in touch if you need any support, we are only too happy to help. I hope you enjoy a snapshot of some of the amazing learning that's taken place over the last few weeks.

## Free Fun Online Learning

I'm always checking out the online learning websites and have come across Rob Biddulph's free you tube drawing sessions – 'Draw with Rob'. Many of our Infant children will know him as the author of 'Odd Dog Out', and he has gone onto give a 10 minute drawing lesson to recreate many of his favourite characters as well as some new ones. <http://www.robiddulph.com/draw-with-rob>



## John Lewis Super-bear competition

Children of Britain are invited to share their designs to create a “super-bear” cuddly toy using #DesignYourSuperBear to be sold at Christmas - with 100% of the profits going to the NHS. So get creative and click on the link below for more information.

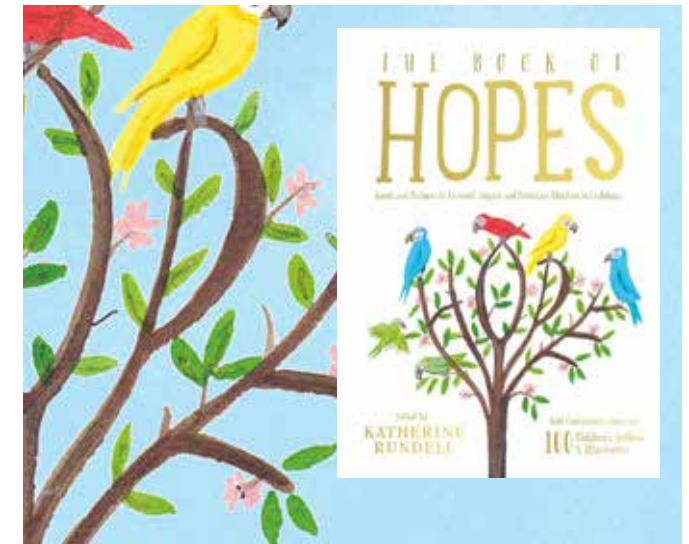


It would be lovely to see your designs for the 'Super-bear', so please send us a copy too and we will get them displayed on the website.

<https://www.johnlewispartnership.co.uk/media/press/y2020/jl-and-wr-launch-soft-toy-design-competition.html>

## A beautiful book to share for free

**The Book of Hopes:** *Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain Children in Lockdown*



This beautiful book is edited by Katherine Rundell, with contributions from more than 100 children's writers and illustrators. Completely free for all children and families, the extraordinary collection of short stories, poems, essays and pictures has contributions from more than 110 children's writers and illustrators, including Lauren Child, Anthony Horowitz, Greg James and Chris Smith, Michael Morpurgo, Liz Pichon, Axel Scheffler, Francesca Simon, Jacqueline Wilson – and Katherine herself. The collection, published by Bloomsbury, is dedicated to the doctors, nurses, carers, porters, cleaners and everyone currently working in hospitals. The book can be viewed online here: <https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/>



## Back at school...

We are really excited to share with you some of the improvements to our site. The Infant green is finally finished and we are delighted with how much extra space our Infants will have to run around all year round!



Back in the Autumn term, our Eco-Council worked closely with the Cheltenham Tree Officer to decide on which three trees would suit our site. The children chose really well, ensuring that they would work well in the soil as well as not grow too big. The chosen trees are: Ginko Biloba, Acer Campestre and Liquidambar



That just leaves me to say,  
Take care and we are thinking of you all

Georgina Flooks



**Ted's Play dough dinosaur**



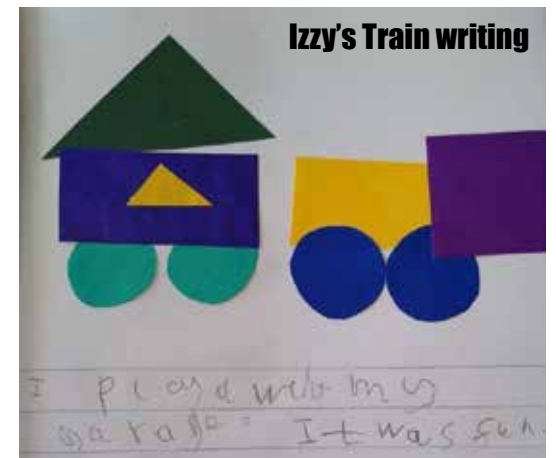
**Henry's Maths with cubes**



**Eddie's Maths with dinosaurs**

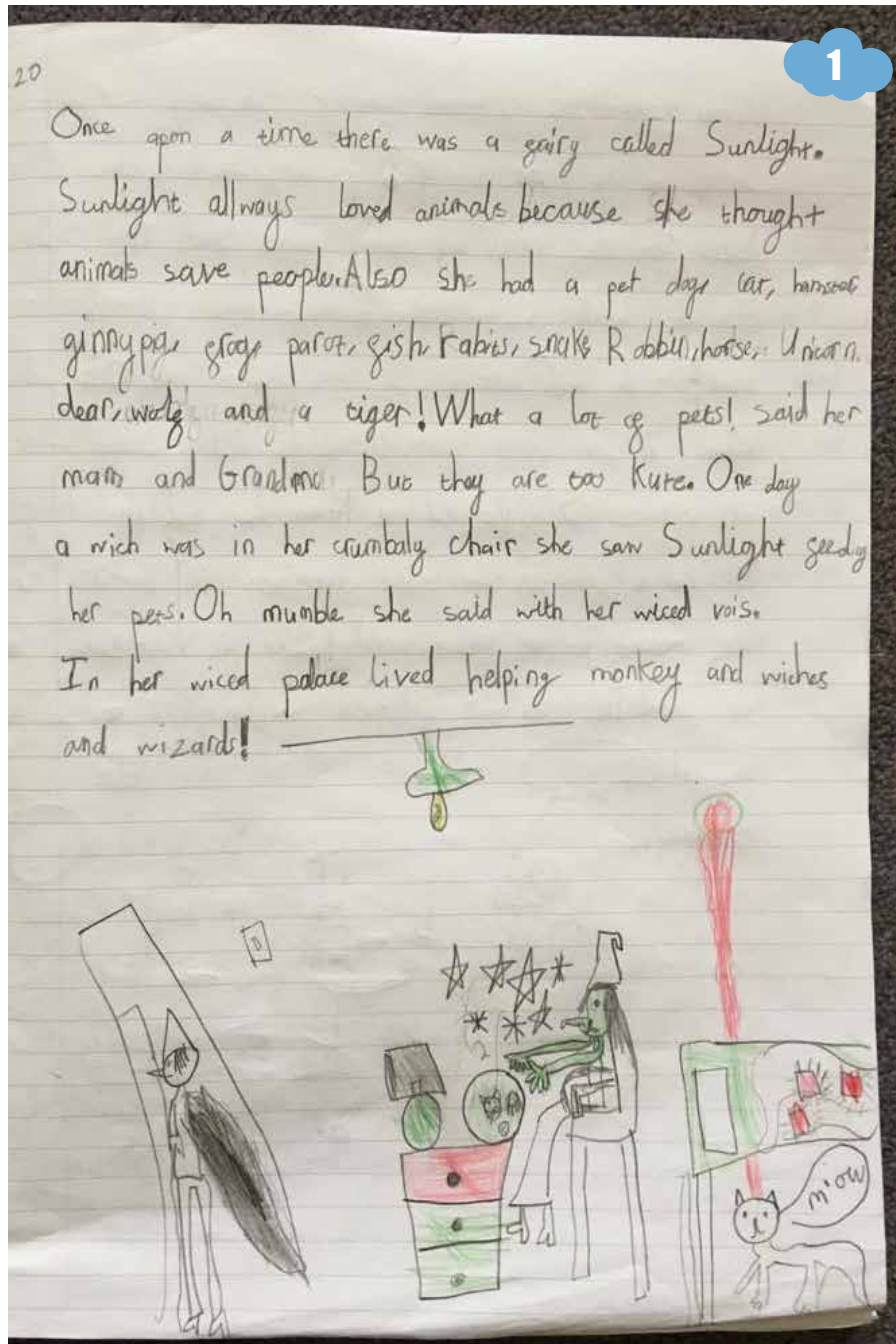


**Ellis and Henry's Frozen flower eggs**



**Izzy's Train writing**





When sunlight finished reading she said everyone should go get a wish to get they said. Of they were deeper into the woods and nearly near trees. The palace! Also the witch had a idea. The idea was pretending to be kind! So the witch went to the front door and said. Oh goodness! Where do you come from? Sunlight didn't know what to say because Sunlight did not know she had an army! She ran as fast as she could her heart was beating so fast she couldn't get her breath back! Also she didn't know where she was! Then the witch followed the group to see where they go!



Then she came to sunlight and with her sword and pointed it at the air... suddenly the witch and sunlight saw big hairy shadows! The witch thought it was here helping sunlight and the shadows were closer. Then the shadow disappeared it was her pet! They came to save her. Everyone said Master the witch away! Thank you so so much guys and you forgive a witch. They all had a cheer but the witch was so angry. She told everyone to make a plan for Sunlight. The plan was when Sunlight went to the fairy shop all of the bad teens will cry and steal all her pets. Only Sunlight comes back when they haven't stolen her pets. One of the bad guys will say oops you forgotten some of it. Oh thank you so much and she will go back. Oh they start their plan. Can I go to the shop? OK but be careful of that witch. OK then. So she went to the shop and then got some cornbread, eggs, soap, a dress, gloves, grapes, biscuits per lot a sundae and good for her pets and then cost 100 pounds. And when she was about to go on her way... a bad guy came and said oops you have forgotten something that's



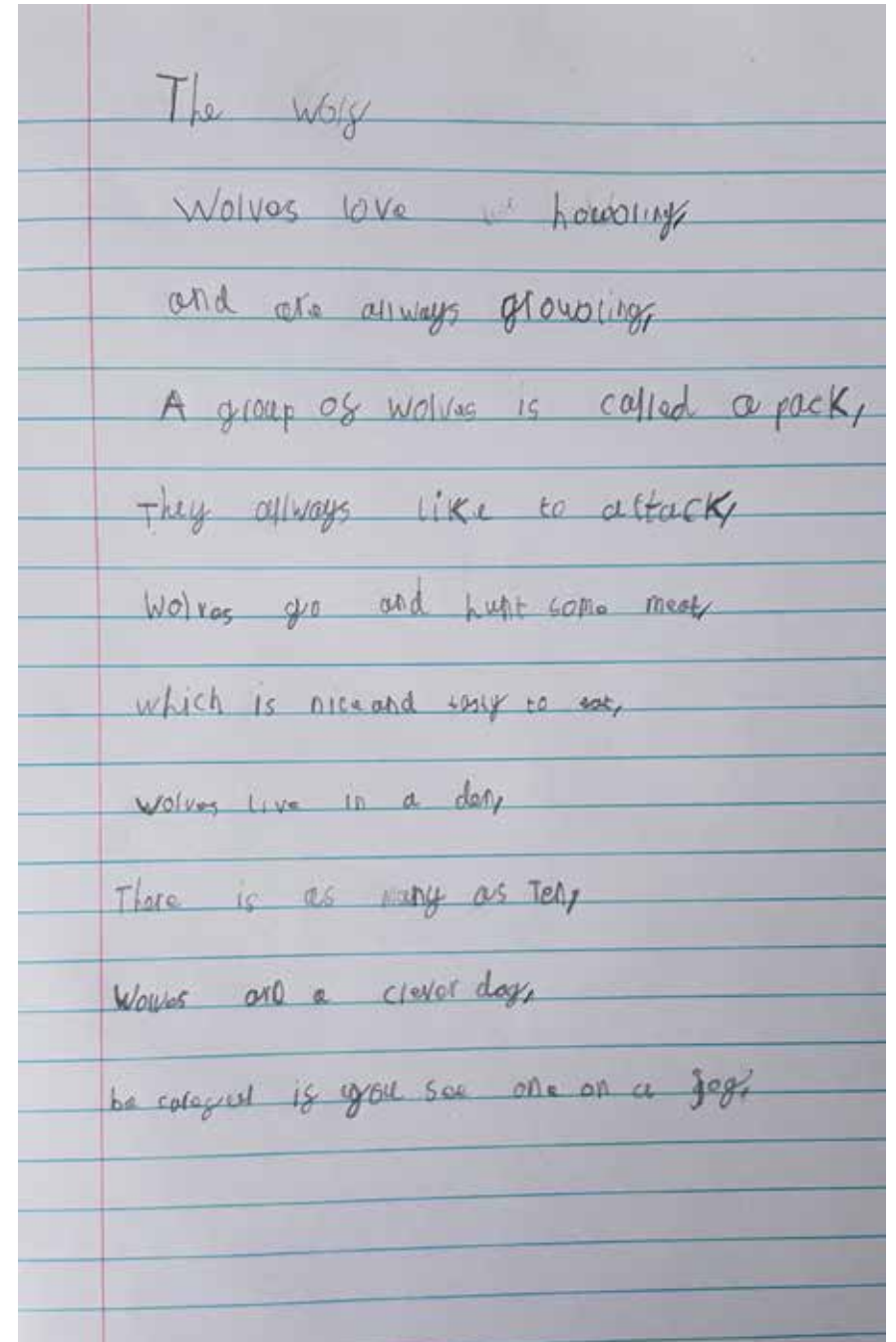
you! And went back. Yes they all said. Let's steal the name. OK! And got lots and lots of charms and some nearly all of them but the tiger and the only animal so dangerous. All of the other pets went to the palace and went to jail! All of a sudden the tiger and the wolf had a idea and ran to Sunlight and growled and howled to pretend their crying and tried to speak in fairy languages. Luckily she heard all of the animals languages. Then she understood. She ran to the palace where she saw the witch. But the door was shut! Then Sunlight went to the back door. Guess she said the door was open! Sunlight crept into the palace and put on her invisibility cloak and none of the people saw her. Also went into the jail room it was dark she took a big breath and got the key from the wall. It made clinkling sounds. Finally Sunlight's pet got unhooked so Sunlight and came on quickly they might see you! All of them got back. The end.



## Year 2

Alongside enjoying the sunshine, year 2 have been busy getting to grips with Microsoft PowerPoint as part of their computing work and have successfully created very informative fact files about Saharan Animals. The children researched their chosen animal online before using the information to create a fact file following a project we started before Easter. The teachers have been really impressed with the creativity and the level of detail.



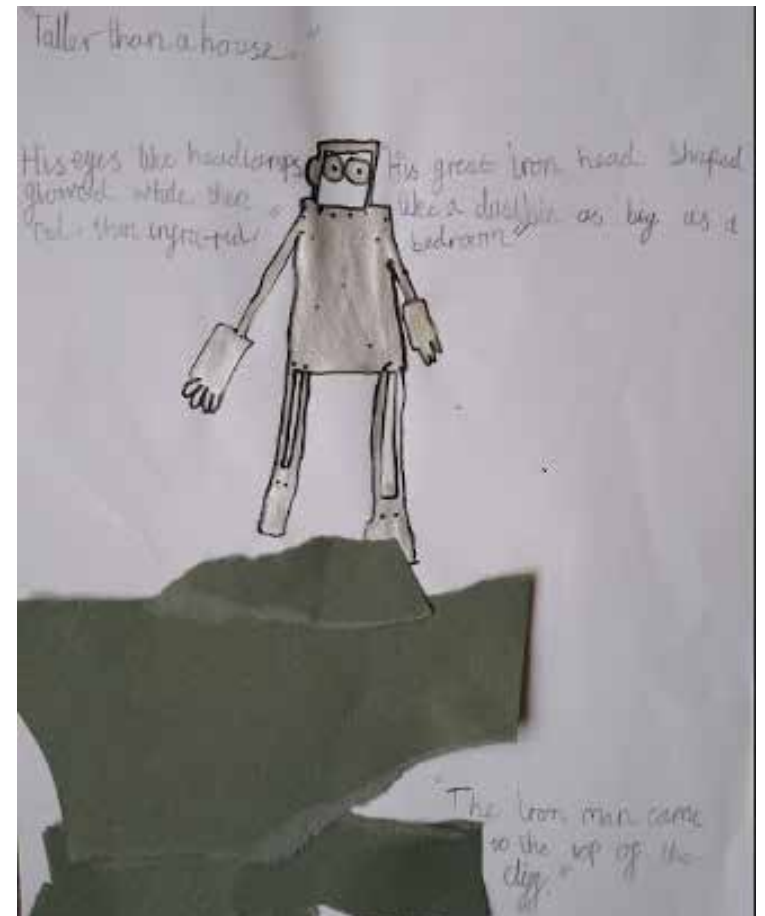
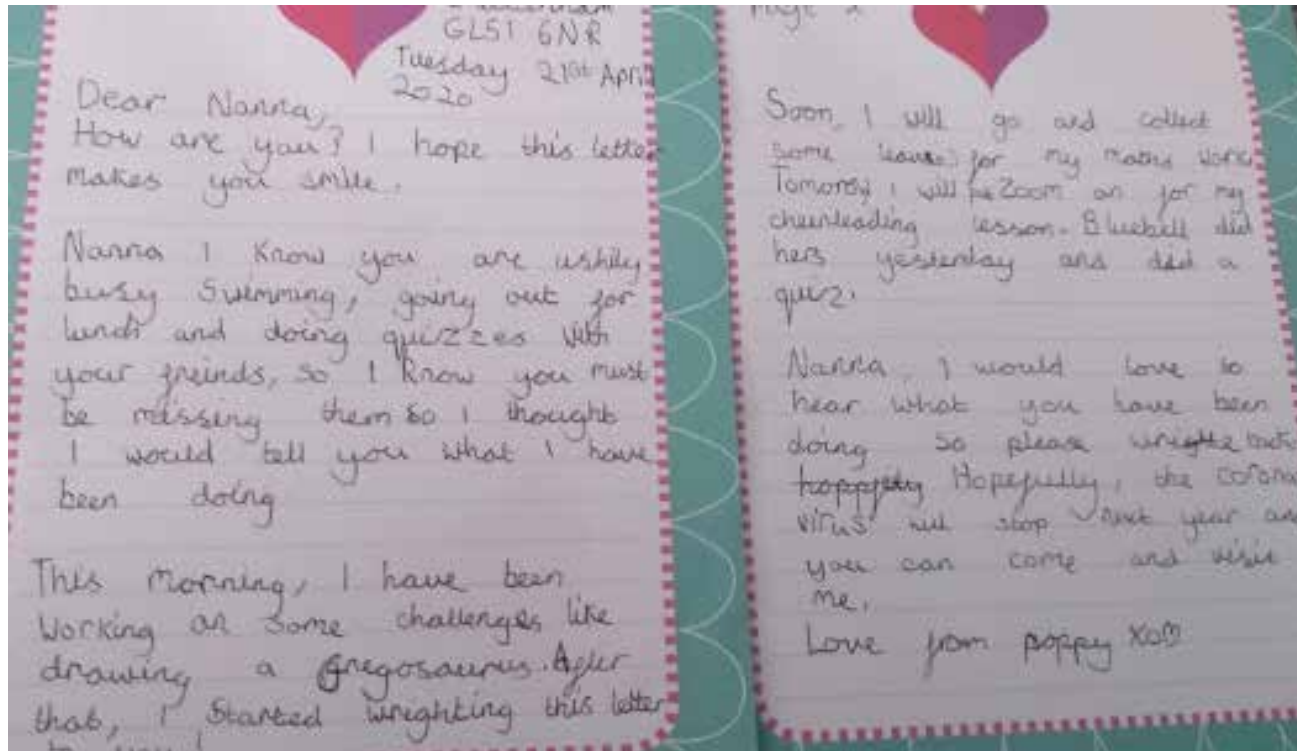




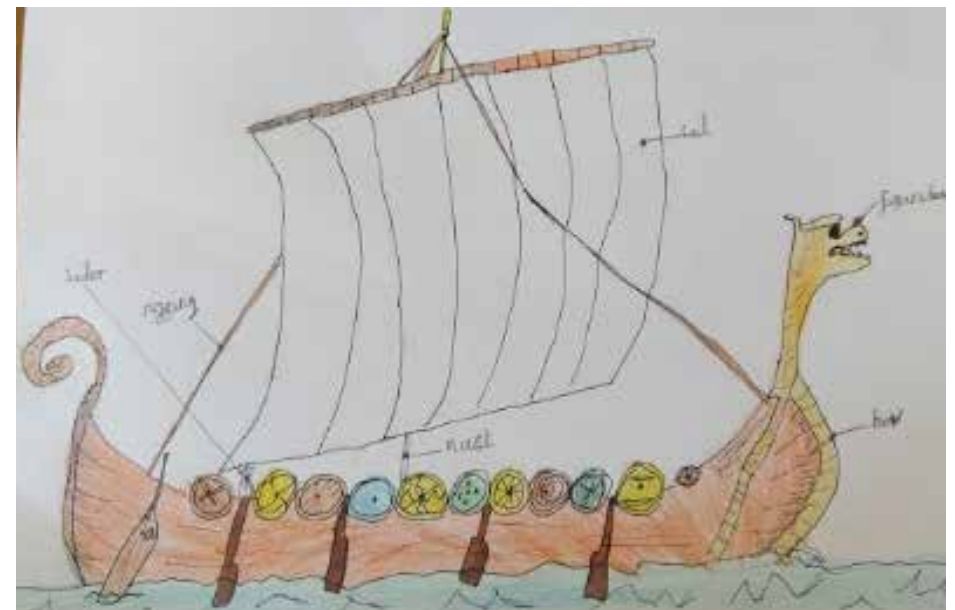
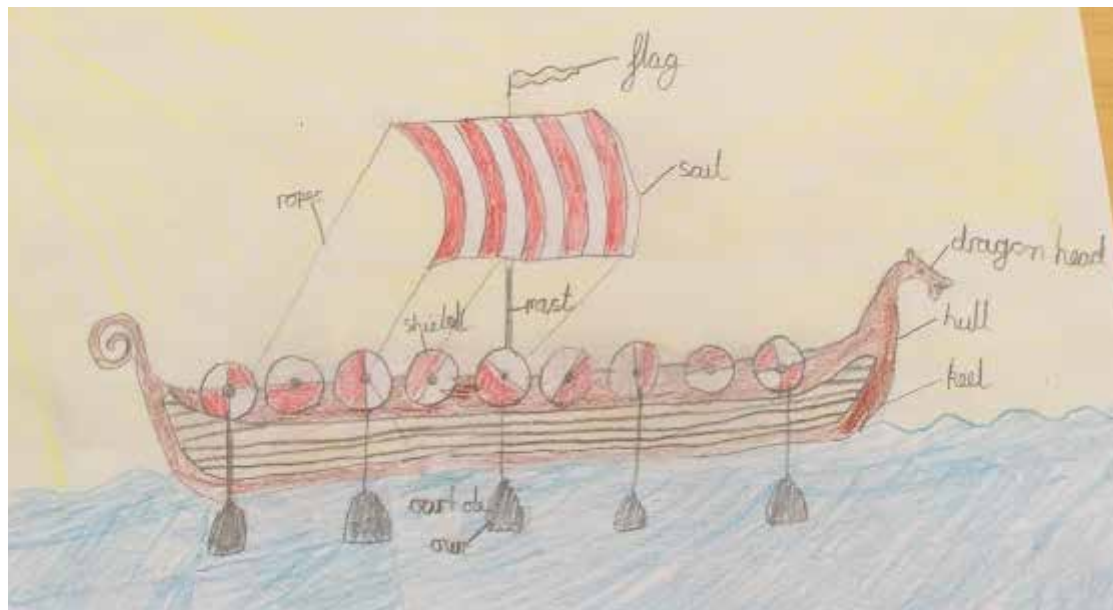
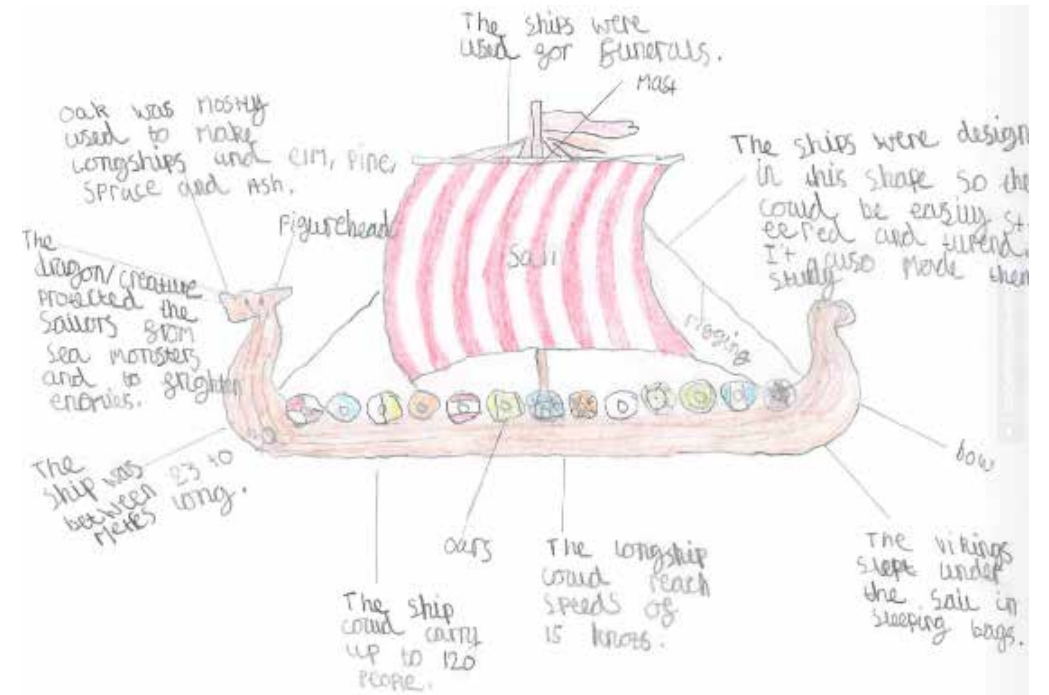


Edie, 3W, drew her playroom, in particular, her favourite spot to sit and read.

Mrs Weaver







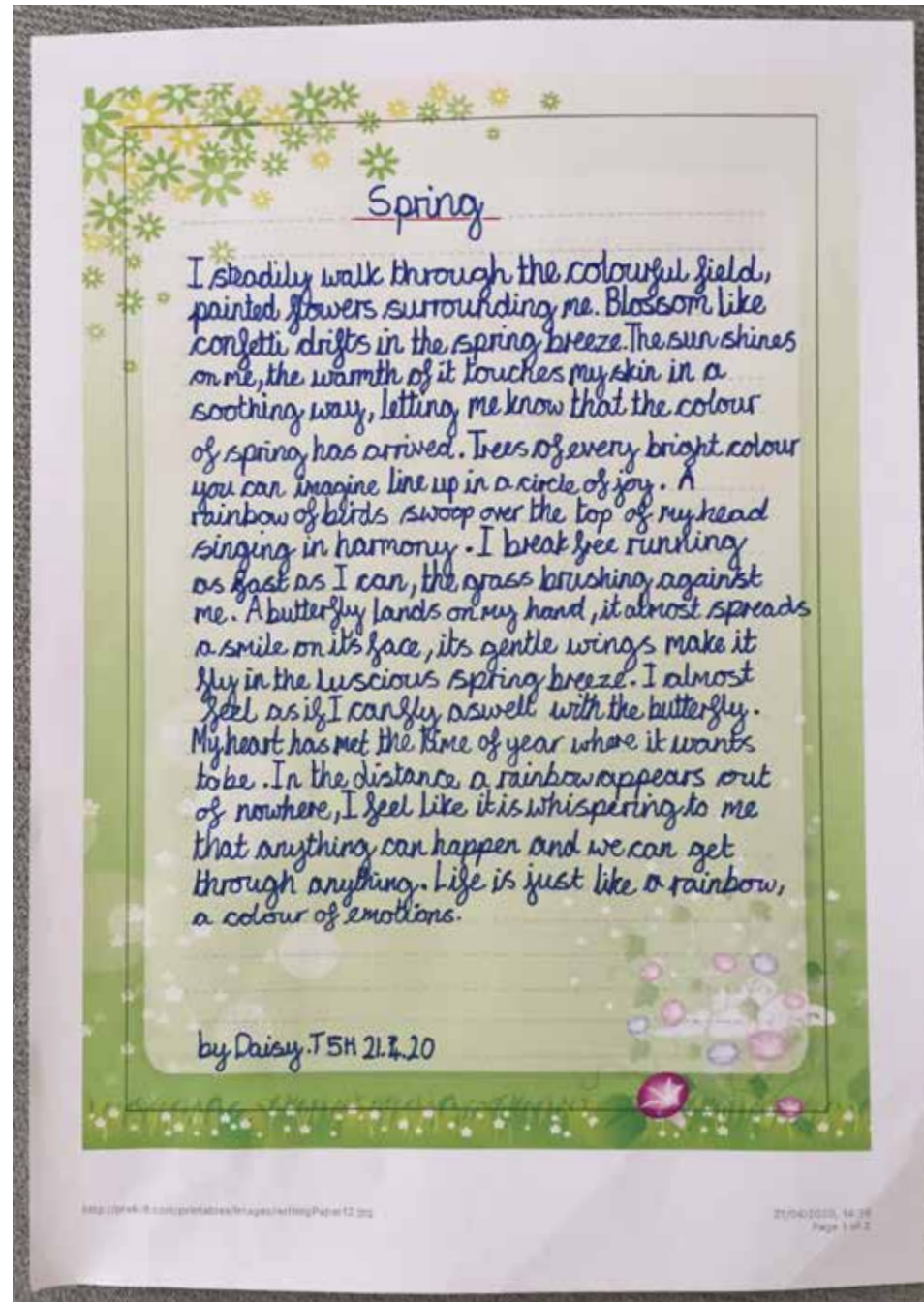


## Year 5 Artwork

The children were asked to create a piece of art with items that they found in the garden.







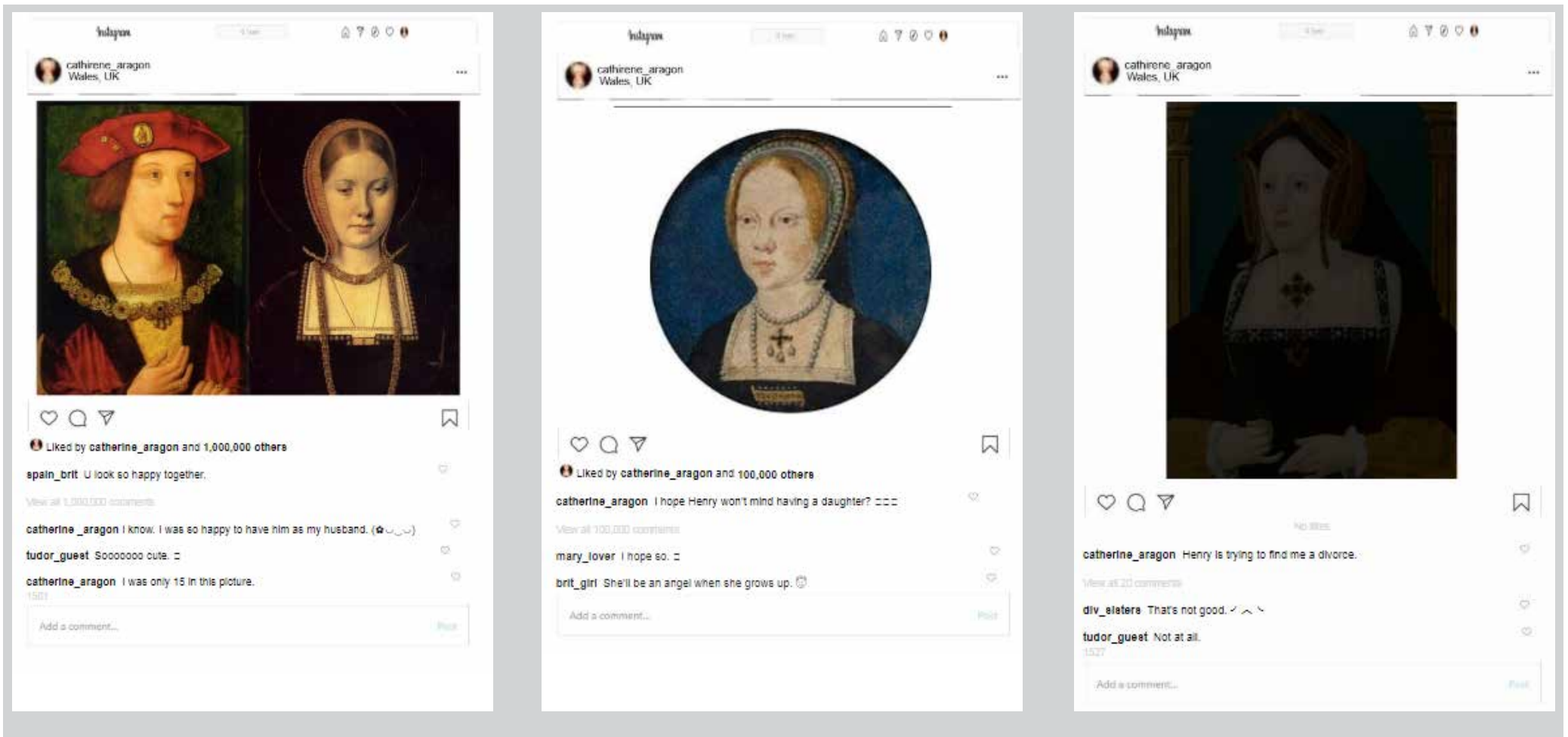
Daisy worked really hard on this. She wrote a draft, edited it and spent time writing it in its best version independently.

Mrs Gaisford

Nabini, 5S, has done the most fantastic job of a history project she was given. I could see her working on it as she used Google Drive and she spent the majority of two whole days creating it.

Her task was to create a social media profile for Catherine of Aragon. She ended up creating 20 pages of Instagram stories that told me about the main events in Catherine's life from when she met Henry VIII. I was amazed by her effort.

Miss Barrett





21/4/20 The snow fell like a load of tiny pirouetting dancers falling through the sky, only to land gracefully. But not everything was as serene. It was the shop. It stood out like a broken heart. It stared at her with it's cavernous gaping mouth. It was watching her, calling her name. As she couldn't resist any more her blood as cold as the ice on the windows. She turned round and placed her worn glove on the iced window. And there it was, the doll with it's porcelain face replicating her style. Staring... motionlessly just, staring right back at her... then Alma blinked, and it was gone...



Year 6 were tasked to create a setting description based on a film from the Literacy Shed. Whilst at home, they had to watch the video and create a paragraph describing the scene, thinking carefully about atmosphere, mood and tone.

I was totally blown away by James' writing. The fact that he managed to keep up high standards of English showing me where he is as a learner, without me stood in front of him in a classroom, is self-motivation at its greatest.

Thank you James for your hard work in this. This work is to be celebrated.

Mrs Andrews



# See you soon!

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