

**It feels great to be able to share with you some of the fantastic learning experiences the children have had since our return. They are testament to how well everyone has settled back into the school routines. We are loving being back together again!!**

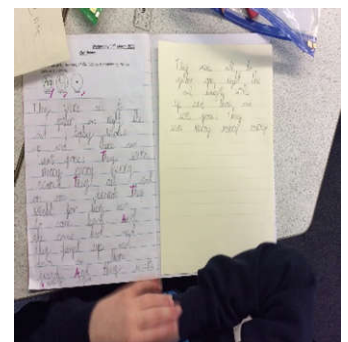
## Reception

We have enthusiastically carried on with our dinosaur topic. This week, we have looked at the lengths of various dinosaurs. Did you know a Brachiosaurus was 28 meters long? We marched out the lengths of these dinosaurs so, we could see just how big they were. We then compared the size of their feet. We found out that the longer the dinosaur the bigger their feet were! We have also enjoyed chatting and playing lots of different games with our friends.



## Year 1

This half term Year 1 have been busy learning all about the different animal groups. We have been learning how to identify different animals and what group they belong to. In English we have read the story Owl Babies and have created owl paintings and have written our own story about Owl Babies too.



Year 2 are really enjoying being back together, playing and learning with each other. They have been excitedly writing their own science fiction stories about astronauts on a mission to Mars, and have been fascinated to find out about how they use different parts of their brains through studying the NHS My Happy Mind programme.



### **Year 3**

Year 3's topic this half term is 'Tomb Raiders'. They are learning all about ancient Egypt and have created a fabulous display of their own Egyptian Gods. The god of nature, the god of flowers, the god of gaming are just a few examples. They have also been learning about the discovery of Tutankhamun's Tomb. They are even in the process creating their own canopic jars!

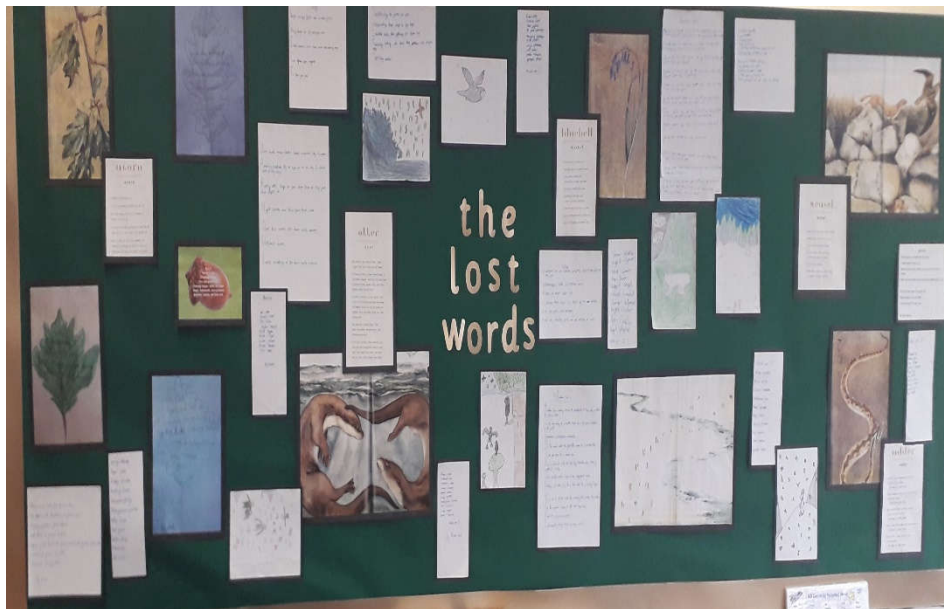
### **Year 4**

Year 4 have been learning about teeth and creating a biography for an imaginary 6th Golden Ticket winner to Willy Wonka's factory. We have also loved getting back to playing brass.



## Year 5

In Year 5 we have been exploring 'the lost words' by Robert Macfarlane. These are acrostic poems, spells, tongue-twisters, blessings and lullabies that aim to bring back the words that have vanished from our language. We have written our own spells about nature and have been performing them out loud - with the hope that these words will return. We have also created our own artwork inspired by the illustrator Jacki Morris and linking to our spells. Some of the spells have been about curlew, acorns, barn owl, silver birch, otter bluebell and many more.



## Year 6

In Year 6 we have started to read Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. We've already created some awesome artwork and used the settings from the story to write some fantastic setting descriptions! We can't wait to start our potions lessons later in the term...

