**LOST WORDS** **by Robert McFarlane** 27.4.20

The whole school are going to be engaged in the same topic for a few weeks. It’s called the **LOST WORDS by Robert McFarlane** and it’s about the natural world. I have included some work on this topic for Class R separately.

There are lots of different creatures and plants native to the UK illustrated in the book, most of them you will have seen or heard about. The book is a book of spells rather than poems, *‘exquisitely illustrated by Morris, Macfarlane gently, firmly and meticulously restores the missing words. Acorn, blackberry, bluebell, conker and kingfisher, are lovingly returned to future generations of children’*

There are lots of super words that feature in the book, some of which we tend not to use so often (hence the title, Lost Words). For example *curl, coiled, curves, rustle, echo.* A varied vocabulary enhances our storytelling and language skills. *’It can help create a sense of belonging rooted in their local environment, enhancing their health, well-being and educational outcomes’.* You don’t need to have the book but lots of information can be found on these websites.Have a look at<https://www.google.com/search?rlz=1C1GCEA_enGB882GB884&ei=v76iXszdBNae1fAPuNOhOA&q=exploreres+guide+lost+words+robert+macfarlane&oq=exploreres+guide+lost+words+robert+macfarlane&gs_lcp=CgZwc3ktYWIQAzoGCAAQBxAeOgQIABAeOgYIABAIEB46BAgAEA06CAgAEAgQBxAeOgYIABANEB46CAgAEA0QBRAeOggIABAIEA0QHlDW7AFY2JwCYNKnAmgAcAB4AIAB0wGIAZQQkgEGMTEuNy4xmAEAoAEBqgEHZ3dzLXdpeg&sclient=psy-ab&ved=0ahUKEwiMubzY7IDpAhVWTxUIHbhpCAcQ4dUDCAw&uact=5&safe=active&ssui=on>

Or <https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/assets/000/002/830/LOST_WORDS_Explorers-Guide_pages_original.pdf>

Each week we will feature a different creature or plant.This week we will look at the **Adder.**

**Create a salt dough ( playdough 0r draw, paint and cut it out) adder. When dry paint it as accurately as possible with the same markings.**

**ELG:** represent own ideas,thoughts & feelings through design and Art

OR

**Can you have a go at a Birdwatch and identify the birds you have seen? How many did you see? Can you make a list of the different birds you see in your garden/out of the window?**