## Eyke C of E Primary School – Spring Newsletter



A new calendar year brought with it great enthusiasm for learning from our pupils. KS1 children spent 3 weeks learning about jungles and the animals that inhabit them. At times you could be forgiven for thinking you had landed in had landed in the Amazon as we were frequently greeted in the mornings by children dressed as parrots and monkeys and enormous cardboard crocodiles and jaguars lurked around corners. With one of our key curriculum drivers being developing and understanding of and respect for the natural world much valuable learning was done.



Across KS2 the children's Science topic has focused on plants. From the Year 3 pupils discovering the different parts of plants and observing the functions of roots and root types, to grouping and classifying plants in Year 4 the children have been enthralled with all they are learning. In Year 6 the pupils dissected lilies and daffodils, examined their parts closely with a magnifying glass and matched what they found to labelled diagrams in our books. We used leaf rubbings to explore the intricate details of leaves and learnt about the part they play in photosynthesis. Have you ever submerged a leaf in water and watched it breath? Ask the children what they observed through their magnifying glasses!



As Spring approaches Gardening Club have been preparing the school garden for this season's crops, learning how to make compost from food waste, garden waste and cow dung from a local farm. Again, the common thread of respecting and understanding our world continues to run through much of what we do at Eyke C of E Primary.