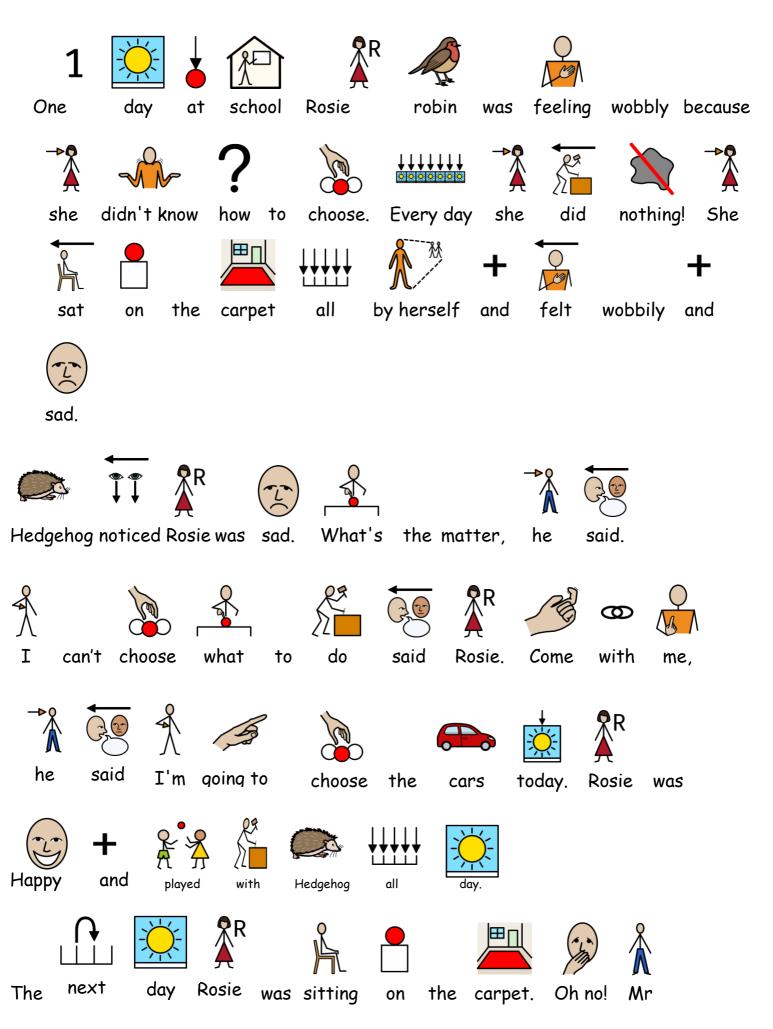
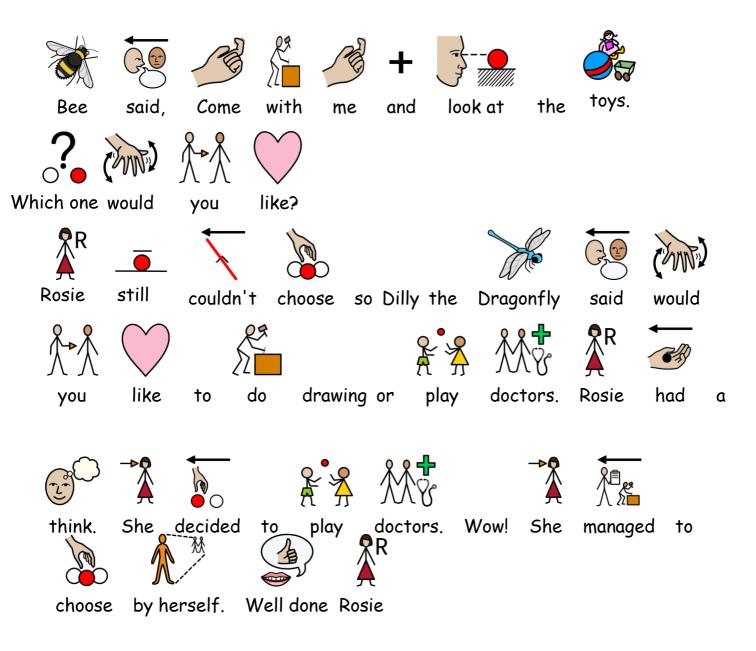
I Can Choose - A Rosie Robin Story







#### LILY THE LADYBIRD

#### Written by Ladybird class 2021-2022

One day, Lily the ladybird was spending another day walking around the leaves of the tall tree. "I wish I could fly" she said, "I know I have these wings and that is what they are for but I'm just too scared!"

Just then, a dragonfly flew and landed directly next to her on the leaf. "Hello Lily, I've just come from flying over Salisbury Cathedral, the views are magnificent. What have you been doing today?"

"Oh just walking around, no flying today" said Lily "I'm too scared to use my wings!"

"You can do it, just go for it" said the bee.

Next, a dragonfly flew and landed directly next to them on the leaf. "Hello Lily I've just come from flying over Elizabeth Gardens, the views are magnificent. What have you been doing today?"

"Oh just walking around, no flying today" said Lily "I'm too scared to use my wings!"

"You can do it, just go for it" said the dragonfly.

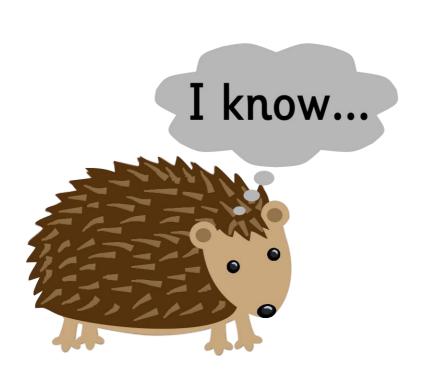
After that, a butterfly flew and landed directly next to them on the leaf. "Hello Lily, I've just come from flying over The Old Mill, the views are magnificent. What have you been doing today?" "Oh just walking around, no flying today" said Lily "I'm too scared to use my wings!"

"You can do it, just go for it" said the butterfly.

Suddenly, the bee, the dragonfly, and the butterfly started to cheer. "Go for it, go for it, go for it, go for it!"

Lily felt a tremble of excitement in her wings as she started to flap excitedly. With a little help from the breeze and the encouragement of her friends, she took off into the sky!

"Thank you my friends! You were right, you can do anything if you just believe! Just go for it! Now I'm off to see those magnificent views!"



#### HERBERT THE HEDGEHOG

Written by Hedgehog class 2021-2022

One beautiful, sunny day, Herbert Hedgehog was looking out of the classroom window and was feeling sad. **I know** if I go into forest school, I can have a look at the cheeky squirrels and I will feel much better.

He put on his coat and walked up to the willow archway. When Herbert arrived, he could hear some crying. It was Owl, "What's the matter Owl? He asked.

"I can't do my coat up and I am really cold." Said Owl

"I know," said Herbert "slide the clip into the bottom of the zip, then hold tight to the bottom of the zip and carefully pull the zip up." Owl did just as Herbert suggested and it worked. "Remember if you still can't manage then you can ask a teacher. I know that if you use your voice to ask for things, they will help you."

Herbert carried on up to the apple trees where he saw Squirrel jumping up at the trees. "What are you trying to do Squirrel?" asked Herbert.

"I want to pick that apple, but I can't reach." sniffed Squirrel

"I know use those bouncy cushions to build a step so you can reach."

Eventually Herbert got to the top of the slope in the Juniors field, but he felt very tired. I don't think I can get down the slope he thought, **I know** I will curl up into a ball and then I can roll down the hill.

When Herbert uncurled at the bottom of the hill there was Owl and Squirrel with a great big thank you card. On the front it said

**Thank You for using what you know to help us.** Herbert had a huge smile on his face and said to them "It is important to use what you know to help yourself and others to learn to do something new."

# MR B. SAVES THE DAY

By BEES JULY 20, 2021

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Once upon a time there was a family of bees, Mr B., Mrs B., Belle and Benjamin. They all lived together in a hive with lots and lots and lots of other bees. Together they were one big happy bee family.





One day Mr B. flew out to collect some pollen to make honey for them all to eat.

On his way back to the hive Mr B. could smell smoke. Bees are very clever and Mr Bee knew that smoke usually meant that there was a fire!





Sure enough the tree where their hive hung was on fire. But Mr B. did not panic because he knew that if he was going to save his family then he would need to stop and think!



Mr B. thought about when he had seen fire before and he thought about how he could put the fire out to save his family. Once he had seen some children in Forest School with a campfire. When they had finished with it, the teacher put out the fire with a bucket of water.



First Mr B. realised that he would need help from his friends. So he called to the other animals in the forest. He called to the Woodpeckers, and he called to the squirrels. Everyone came to help him.



Another time Mr B. had seen a man using a bucket of sand to put out a BBQ. Mr B. had a plan! Mr B. told his plan to his forest friends. Together they went into Rainbow class and picked up the sand tray and the water tray and together they threw them over the fire. Smoke twisted and danced into the air as at last the fire was out and Mr B.'s family was saved.



By taking his time to stop and think about what he already knew Mr B. was able to come up with a clever plan. And with the help of his forest friends he had saved his family.

#### Ted the Squirrel



#### A story about Creativity

Written by Squirrel Class 2021-2022

Once upon a time, there lived a lovely squirrel called Ted. Ted was a very hungry squirrel, who needed to hide lots of nuts, apples and pears to store ready for the long winter hibernation.

Though one day he went to check under the pile of leaves where he kept his food. And it was all gone. Mr Bear had eaten all of his food.

Ted was in a bit of a pickle. He cried to himself, "AHH What am I going to do, I'm never going to be ready for September"! Sitting on the end of a branch in his oak tree, looking down at the woodland floor below, he thought about what he was going to do.

A wise Owl sat in the tree and said in a soft helpful voice, "why don't you find some friends to help you find food?"

"What a great idea" said Ted. So, jumping to his little feet in excitement, he set off to into the woods to find all of his friends.

He rounded up the Hedgehogs, Badgers, Dragonfly's, Woodpeckers, Robins, Bees, Ladybugs, Owls. And together working as a team they rounded up as many nuts, apples and pears into a big pile at the bottom of Ted favourite oak tree. Although, this was not helpful as Mr Bear could easily find and eat all of his nuts, apples and pears. So Ted asked his friends, "Where can I hide my food so that Mr Bear doesn't find them?" The animals put their creative thinking caps on.

The Hedgehog's then all of a sudden whispered, "We can bury the nuts in the ground".

The Bees buzzed, "We can build a hive and put the food in there".

The Robin's tweeted, "We can make nest for you and put the nuts, apples and pears in there".

The Dragonfly's said "We can put the food on lily pads."

So each of them took a little bit of food each and hid them away in their creative hiding places so that Mr Bear wouldn't find them.

When Ted woke up from his long winter sleep he still had food supplies thanks to his friends creative thinking and community spirit.



#### WOODY THE WOODPECKER

Written by Woodpecker class 2021-2022

Once upon a time there was a bird called Woody the Woodpecker who loved travelling around the world!

One rainy, cold day Woody was exploring in the woods when lightning struck, it was an almighty storm and Woody was very scared, but he knew just what to do. Woody found the perfect tree to hide in until the storm disappeared.

Later that day Woody left his hiding place in the woods, he flew all over the city trying to find his family. He looked in the Cathedral, he looked in Elizabeth Gardens and he even looked in Rose Cottage on the town path, but he just could not find them. Feeling a little sad Woody flew home to his big, tall tree. To his surprise he found his family waiting for him, they decided that they would go on an adventure to the beach the very next day.

Woody and his family woke up very early and flew all the way to the beach, it took them a very long time, but they didn't give up. When they arrived, they ate some delicious chips before Woody set off exploring. Woody made friends with a crab and a lobster!

After spending some time looking in the rock pools, Woody noticed something in the distance, it was a spotty dolphin! I would love to go on an adventure with my new friends and that dolphin Woody thought. So, he plucked up the courage to ask his new friends if they would like to explore the ocean with him! Of course they did, Woody was astonished at what he saw in the ocean, his favourite sights were a sparkly starfish dancing on the sand, beautiful sting rays gliding through the waves and the sticky, green seaweed too!

Woody felt disappointed when it was time to go home but he knew that he would go on another adventure soon, very soon. After all Woody was an explorer!

#### <u>Billy the Badger</u> A story of Perseverance.



2021

Badger Story – I persevere

One day, Billy the Badger was walking through the forest, looking for a new place to live and set up home. He came across a Hedgehog and a Squirrel, who were chatting happily outside their homes, ready for another day of forest adventures.

"Hello Badger", Hedgehog said, "Where are you going? You look a bit lost."

"Oh hello" said Billy "I am a bit. I am looking for somewhere to build a new home. It needs to be cosy and warm."

"Why don't you make your new home near us?" said Squirrel "then you can be part of our friendly forest community."

"That's a lovely idea, thank you" said Billy the Badger.

Billy set to work building his house. He got some bricks, laid them out and made the most wonderful looking walls around the outside.

"There" he said "All done!"

"That's great, but to make it even better, have you thought about adding a roof? You'll need to stay dry if it rains" suggested the Hedgehog.

Billy found some large, flat pieces of slate and slot them together to form a roof on top of the walls. "There" he said "All done!"

"That's great, but to make it even better, have you thought about adding a front door? You need a way to get into your house and to keep it cosy inside." suggested the Squirrel.

Billy took out some of the bricks in the wall to make a space for a door. He found a large piece of wood and attached it so that it would open and close.

"There" he said "All done!"

"That's great, but to make it even better, have you thought about adding some windows? You'll need to let some warm sunlight in" suggested the Hedgehog.

Billy made some holes in the wall and added some clear windows in so the sun could shine through, giving warmth and light.

"There" he said "All done!"

"That's a perfect house" said the Squirrel, "it looks all cosy and warm"

"Thank you for encouraging me to keep on going and making it even better than before. I was able to persevere and try my very best" said Billy, "Now, would you like to come round to my house for some tea?"

The three friends enjoyed some delicious tea together and made plans for their next forest adventure together the following day.



#### **DILLY THE DRAGONFLY**

Written by Dragonfly class 2021-2022



Once upon a time there was a dazzling Dragonfly called Dilly. Dilly was most proud of his magnificent wings that allowed him to fly in the most beautiful ways. He would fly elegantly past all of his friends, proudly showing off the rainbow of colours in his wings.

One sunny day, Dilly Dragonfly flew past the busy Squirrel, who was getting ready for winter. Squirrel watched as Dilly Dragonfly fluttered through the air.

"I wish that I could fly like you..." sighed the Squirrel.

Dilly Dragonfly felt sad that Squirrel wasn't proud of himself and decided to cheer him up.

"Squirrel, you should be proud of yourself. You can climb up trees faster than anyone I know and from up in the tallest trees you can see the world!"

Squirrel began to ruffle his tail in pride.

"You're right, thank you Dilly!" He said.

The next day, Dilly Dragonfly flew past Badger, who was busy digging in his hole. Badger watched as Dilly Dragonfly zoomed through the air.

"I wish that I could fly like you..." sighed Badger.

Dilly Dragonfly felt sad that Badger wasn't proud of himself and decided to cheer him up.

"Badger, you are the best digger around! You can create amazing homes for yourself out of the mud!" Badger looked at his home proudly.

"You're right, thank you Dilly!" He said.

The following day Dragonfly flew past Hedgehog who was busy making his cosy nest ready for winter. Hedgehog watched as Dilly Dragonfly whizzed through the air.

"I wish I could fly like you..." he sighed.

Dragonfly felt sad that Hedgehog wasn't proud of himself and decided to cheer him up.

"Hedgehog, you are the most protective friend! You use your spikes to keep everyone around you safe!"

Hedgehog wiggled his spikes proudly.

"You're right, thank you Dilly!" Hedgehog said.

Later that day, when Dragonfly flew home to his pond, he saw all of his friends waiting for him.

Surprised, he asked "What are you all doing here?"

"We are here to tell you that you should be proud!" said Squirrel. "You helped everyone else to feel proud too!" said Badger.

"Thank you for showing us what we should be proud of!" said Hedgehog.

Dragonfly beamed with pride and they all lived happily ever after.

## <u>The Owl Who</u> <u>Concentrated</u>



A story about concentration:

### Written by Owl Class 2021 - 2022

#### The Owl Who Concentrated

There was once a very old and very wise Owl who lived in a dark hole in the biggest tree in the woods. All day long, the wise Owl read book after book after book! He loved information books, he loved animal books and he particularly loved books about birds!

One hot, sunny day in the middle of July, the wise old Owl was reading all about his friends, the wonderful Woodpeckers. Unfortunately, hiding under the green, prickly bushes were 5 sneaky squirrels! They were so naughty they started throwing hard, brown nuts at the Owl!

The wise old Owl just continued reading and decided that he would learn so much more if he just focused and ignored them! The squirrels soon gave up and scampered away to cause mischief somewhere else!

The wise old Owl always concentrated so his brain got bigger and bigger, and he remained the wisest Owl who ever, ever lived!

By Owl Class