

Year 5 Spring Poetry Challenge

Over the Easter holidays, Kingsway would like to challenge you to get creative and write a poem based on spring time.

The poetry style we would like Year 5 to try out is:
A metaphorical poem

This type of free-verse poem uses a metaphor to describe an image. A **metaphor** is a type of figurative language in which a word or phrase is applied to another object to which is not literally applicable.

E.g. The grass is a diamond-scattered carpet.

The grass is not really a carpet, but it can be sat on like a carpet and it glistens when it is covered in dew drops.

Here is a metaphorical poem written as a riddle for the reader to work out. Can you guess what it is?

What am I?

I am the fur of a black cat,
A piece of liquorice,
a closed broom cupboard,
the inside of a cave,
a perfect hiding place,
something that makes you
afraid.

Here is an example of a metaphorical poem inspired by nature:

Six Ways to Look at the Moon

The moon is an Olympic Stadium for intergalactic races -
planet jumping, star throwing and meteoric vaulting.

The moon is Cyclop's eyeball, impassionate as
a death star.

The moon is a Titan's silver boomerang,
transfixed forever.

The moon is a silver coin tossed, heads or tails,
wins or fails.

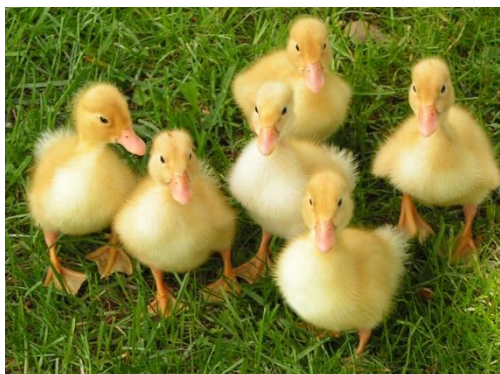
The moon is a polar bear's eye, the arctic fox's
paw print, the tip of the snowshoe hare's nose.

The moon says, tonight's O-K.



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To begin, it helps to write down as many words that come to mind about your chosen topic. What things does it remind you of? Here are a few pictures relating to spring to get you started! Good luck!



Spring word bank

blossom

flower

petal

tulip

daffodil

lambs

meadow

daisy

ladybird

breeze

butterfly

wondrous

beautiful

tranquil

vibrant

glistening

serene

frolicking