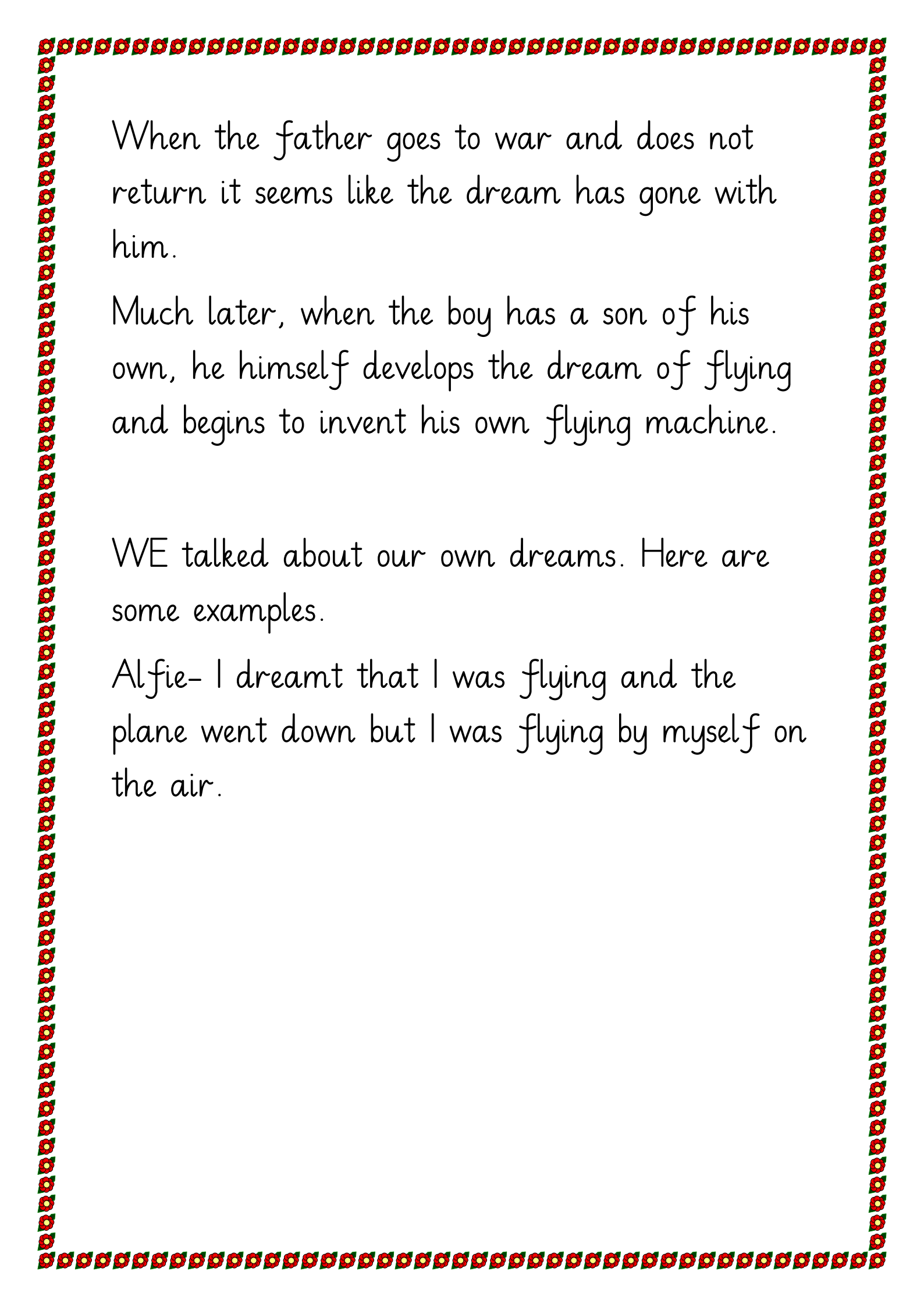


Blackbirds have been enjoying reading the book FAR THER by Graham Baker-Smith.

The story is about a young boy who is fascinated by his father's dream of flying. The boy's father is consumed by his passion to fly and the son is caught up in his father's dream.



When the father goes to war and does not return it seems like the dream has gone with him.

Much later, when the boy has a son of his own, he himself develops the dream of flying and begins to invent his own flying machine.

WE talked about our own dreams. Here are some examples.

Alfie- I dreamt that I was flying and the plane went down but I was flying by myself on the air.



Emelia- I dreamt that I was a teenager and then an adult. I met my brother and sister.



The book links with our history topic on the First World War. In this topic we are learning about what life was like here and for the soldiers on the front line. We have also learnt, that like the father in the story, many soldiers did not return home to their families. In school, we are supporting the Poppy appeal to raise money for all those who have been affected by The First World War and all conflicts since.

