'To be a cat’ – Written my Matt Haig

Today we are going to use what has happened to Barney as for our own creative inspiration!

Look at Extract 2 and think about what happened to Barney.

Remember: He woke up as a cat! He didn't want or choose for this to happen!

Things to think about before you start writing:

• if you could choose to wake up as an animal what would it be...and why?
• what animal would you not like to wake up as...and why?

Write a creative paragraph about waking up as the animal of your choice or waking up as the animal of your biggest fear! Start this activity by writing - ‘The day I woke up as...’

You should use lots of description in your writing. You should slowly reveal the details of how you changed into your animal and ensure that you keep the reader interested by adding lots of dialogue and action into your creative writing.