

# Alma Matters

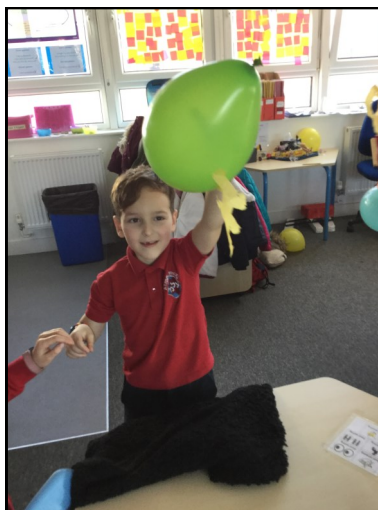
## Science Week

By Blu and Emily

In March, we enjoyed Science Week. It was so much fun, everybody was busy and on Friday each class presented to the school a dialogue of what they had done that week science wise. Each class made paper planes and dropped them out the window to see how they glided and calculated how long it took, compared to paper gliders. Some year groups went out into the playground so that they could fly their paper planes and saw how far away they flew. Year 4 held a glass of full water under different materials to see how long the material could hold them. Year 2 learnt about how helium balloons react to hair when rubbed and Year 3 made helicopters that spun round and round.

We were also challenged to make vehicles which we brought in. We were given the challenge of making our vehicle out of scrap material such as CDs or toilet rolls, and making them move without pushing them- using air, water, gravity or another force related to science by pushing a button or pulling a string. All of our ideas were fantastic and we were very proud of our work. It is also a conservation project because using scrap materials means we can save the environment and recycle.

Happy science week!



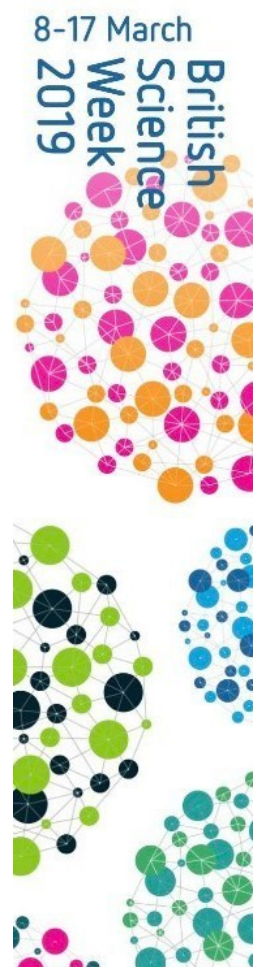
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### Spring learning days:

Science Week w/c 25th Feb  
Shabbat UK—1st Mar  
World Book Day—7th Mar  
Purim—21st Mar  
Pesah activities—8th –12th  
Apr



# The Life of Frida Kahlo

By Emily, Carla and Liya

It all started when Frida was born. When Frida hit the age 6 she caught a disease called Polio, she had to spend nine months mostly alone in her bedroom. Frida spent a lot of time in hospital beds, and so she taught herself to draw and paint to pass the time. Her father had a big place in her heart, her father was called:



Guillermo. Guillermo had big dreams for Frida. When she was fourteen her father put her into one of the best schools in the country.

She studied biology and hoped to be a doctor one day. She was put into a cheeky group of children that liked playing pranks. She married a man named Diego Rivera who was also an artist. Frida painted numerous self-portraits, as well as dabbling in photography and drawing. They got married on the 21st of August 1929. She died on the 13th of July 1954. Frida's art became more and more well known after she died. Her Blue House in Mexico is now a museum.

By Zach and Dalia

## Interview of Mrs Pagnotta

Q1: What would you do with £10,000?

Give some to family and some to charity and save some if I still worked at Alma I would spend it on the school

Q2: What do you spend your spare time doing?

Gym classes and yoga and I like going out for dinner

Q3: What is your favourite food?

Spaghetti bolognaise

Q4: Do you have any secret talents?

Piano

Q5: What was your favourite subject in school?

I liked PE lessons especially netball and dance also art

Q6: Why did you come to Alma?

When I came to visit the school I was very impressed with the children

Q7: If you could be anything what would you be?

A makeup artist in the theatre



# Book Review: 'Secrets of a Sun King' by Emma Carroll

by Leah M

Lilian Kaye hates her new school St Kilda's but when a terrible illness consumes her grandad she has no choice but to investigate...



## What is this book about?

This book is about a girl called Lilian Kaye. Her grandfather went to Egypt with his friend Prof Hanawati. The professor finds a canopic jar with a secret message from a friend of the great Tutankhamen. While another archaeologist desperately hunts for it, Lilian has a clear clue. She and her friends travel to Egypt to return the jar before the curse gets worse.

## Who is this book aimed at?

This book is aimed at 9-12 year olds who love a good mystery.

## Boredom Busters!

By Dalia

Here are some ideas to keep you busy on weekends and school holidays:

- Try a new science experiment
- Try an easy recipe - BBC good food is helpful
- Make a den under your desk
- Try to recreate a famous piece of art
- Pick up litter in your local area and see who can collect the most litter
- Have an indoor picnic
- Play board games as a family
- Spend time with your pet
- Do a first (something you have never done before)
- Listen to upbeat music and stomp around in your room
- Try to follow a YouTube tutorial
- Type up happy or cute images and try not to smile
- Try to have a conversation using only the lyrics of a song

WHATEVER YOU DECIDED TO DO,  
MAKE SURE IT MAKES YOU HAPPY!

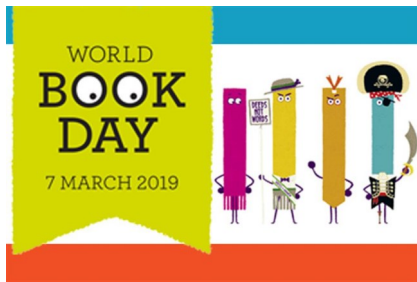


Amedeo Modigliani



# World Book Day

By Carla and Leah M



World Book Day was on the 7 March 2019. We dressed up as any book character we wanted to! It was a great opportunity to show your class your favourite characters. Here are some awesome books for each age group.

4-6 is 'If you give a mouse a cookie' and 'The rainbow fish'

6-8 'Diary of a wimpy kid' and the Roald Dahl books

8-10 'Secrets of the sun king' and 'The chocolate box girls' books

We interviewed some children about World Book Day.

Dalia - year 5

Q What is your favourite book?

A 'When you reach me' by Rebecca Stead

Q Who were you for World Book Day?

A Lyra from Northern Lights by Philip Pullman

Blu -year 4

Q What is your favourite book?

A 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Q Who were you for World Book Day?

A Anne from Anne of Green Gables by L.M.Montgomery

Alex - year 3

Q What is your favourite book?

A 'The Thirty Nine Story Tree House' by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton

Q What were you for World Book Day?

A The BFG from the BFG by Roald Dahl



## Interview of Miss Lewis

by Maya T, Liya S and Talya F

1. Where were you born ?

I was born in Manchester.

2. Do you like our school ?

Yes I love this school !



3. What is your favourite part of the school ?

The playground because there's lots of stuff to do.

4. What is the difference between this school and your last school?

This school is very creative.

5. What was your favourite thing when you were little ?

My bunny rabbit called Dusty (she was grey and so fluffy).

6. In one word how do you describe our school?

Wonderful!

## New School Council

by Zara and Tamar

On Wednesday the 13th of March the new school council got their badges. The first meeting was in March 2019. Being on school council means you get to make changes in the school, it also means having meetings throughout the day. We talked about Match Attax and decided to have a Match Attax lunchtime club. This will be on Tuesdays!

Meet the new School Council:

Year 1: Stella and Raphael

Year 2: Suki and Louis

Year 3: Ben and Tamar

Year 4: Zach and Zara

## April Fools' Day

**April fools day how it started:**

By Emily and Alex

April fools' day was first celebrated in Britain during the early nineteenth century. The earliest records of April fools' day being celebrated are in the fifteen hundreds in France and Holland.

**PRANKS:**

- Fake parking ticket.
- Pop up snakes.
- Fake vomit.



# Diversity Themed Activity Page

by Nathan S and Grace H

We hope you enjoy this activity page!



culture  
friendship  
respect  
differences  
race  
unique  
ethnicity  
religion

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