

Alma Matters

Alma theme: Environment

By Emily and Miri

This year our theme in school is the environment. We have been thinking about how to help save the environment by reducing, reusing and recycling.

Rubbish is a big problem in our ocean.

Facts: In 2050 there will be more rubbish in the sea than fish.

Scientists think 14 billion pounds of rubbish (most of it is plastic) is dumped in the ocean every year.

When plastic finally dissolves, it causes billions of plastic bits to float around in the ocean. This causes bad pollution in the ocean and it harms sea creatures.

97 percent of scientists who learn about climate change believe that people have made much of the recent global warming.

Greta Thunberg quotes: "You say (parents) that you love your children above everything else. And yet you are stealing their future."

"We cannot solve a crisis without treating it as a crisis."

What can you do to help the environment?

Try to reduce, reuse and recycle both at home and at school.

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Autumn Term

Autumn learning days:

- 27th September—Rosh Hashanah
- October—Black History Month
- 11th October—Sukkot
- 11-15th November—Anti-Bullying Week
- 15th November—Mitzvah Day
- 18th December - Hanukkah
- Sunday 15th December—Family Hanukkah Day



Brexit

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By Leila S, Talya S & Olivia G

Brexit started 3 years ago in 2016 when some politicians wanted the UK to be cut out of the EU. On Brexit Wikipedia we found this information.

Brexit (a portmanteau of British and exit) is the scheduled withdrawal of the United Kingdom (UK) from the EU. Following a June 2016 referendum in which 51.9% of participating voters voted to leave, the UK parliament that was due to conclude with the UK withdrawing on 29th March 2019. As the UK parliament thrice voted against the negotiation withdrawal agreement that deadline has been extended twice and is currently 31st October 2019.

That is information from Wikipedia Brexit as of the date of editing.

Lots of people are getting worried about the situation and some people might even want to leave England. Some people believe it will be harder to find jobs and the country will get

Film Review: The Lion King

By Georgie and Alex

The new Lion King is a 4 star movie in our opinion. Disney has used live action which looks like real animals but is actually a very clever way of digitally animating.

We spoke to a few people around school to find out what they thought.

What was your favourite Lion King movie; number one or number two?

"I prefer number two more." said Gilad in year 2.

"I will always love the original, it's a classic" said Mrs Simons Rose.

poorer because there will be less food. Some people believe it will be better for our country. Watch this space!

Word search:

Brexit

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b u k d h m d u o s a z x v b m
e r h i e h s a h e w q m o n b
n y e y s a z x v j m j u p t h b
g r y x p e o p l e u r j m e i r
l y u i i k y t e u q w w y o p i
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n u e s g h j k o p u e s g h j a
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Carla from year 4 said about the movie "I think it is kind of sad and heart warming."

Who was your favourite character? "My favourite character was Scar." said Joseph in year 6.

What was your favourite song? "My favourite song is Hacuana Matata." said Mrs Curtis.



Brazil's Rainforests

By Blu

I used several websites to help me with this information.

The Amazon rainforest, the biggest rainforests in existence, is burning down and there have been calls for the government to take action.

What's Happening?

The Amazon rainforest is the largest in the world, spanning over 5.5 million kilometres over Brazil, Peru, Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, Bolivia, Guyana, Suriname, and French Guiana (all countries in South America). Environment minister Richard Stalles tweeted that this was the upshot of dry weather and wind. But others believe the cause was more human-attributed, with natural weather having nothing to do with it. They say the reason is burning fossil fumes and smoke protruding from rooves or chimneys. You could also drive an electric car that doesn't burn petrol or diesel. An anonymous person has texted: 'If we persist in polluting this planet, we cannot be surprised when we die as a result.'

How Much Has Burned?

Around 1,330 square miles of rainforest cover has been lost ever since January, which was when President Jair Bolsonaro took office as president of Brazil, the Amazon rainforest's main country. It has been declared an international crisis, since the Amazon gives 20 percent oxygen to our planet and if it is entirely burned it is likely nobody will be able to breathe since rainforests are the lungs of the planet. There will also be a huge outbreak of malaria, which is an awful disease that kills you and even if you are dead if somebody touches your dead body they could catch malaria. In the last forty years around eighty percent of the rainforest has died out. This is due entirely to humans, and as Haley Brink puts it: 'we have nobody to blame but ourselves. Take action NOW!'

How Are People Reacting?

French president Emmanuel Macron is outraged by the crisis. He has called the fires an 'international emergency' and has demanded that the subject be discussed at the G7 summit. He has also announced that France will not trade with Brazil until they stop the fire. However Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro declared that the fires was something that Brazil could handle itself and did not require international aid. He said his government couldn't tackle the crisis by itself and didn't have enough resources. He told the BBC: 'Forty men to fight a



fire? There aren't enough resources. The chaos has arrived.' The media has reacted much the same. The Guardian newspaper, one of the most popular newspapers in Britain, said that it is supportive of Macron taking Bolsonaro 'to task for encouraging the wanton destruction of the world's biggest tropical rainforest.' David Miranda writes in the Guardian that Bolsonaro 'and his extremist environment minister Richard Salles' have 'not merely permitted the occurrence of these devastating fires, but encouraged and fuelled them.'

What You Can Do To Help The Amazon

Here are ten helpful tips for what you can do to support the Amazon and stop deforestation.

- 1: Protect an acre of rainforest by donating to Rainforest Action Network
- 2: Teach others about the importance of the rainforest
- 3: Eat a plant-based diet or limit your meat and dairy products
- 4: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle - the environmental three Rs
- 5: Use recyclable bags, not plastic
- 6: Don't leave a tap running or drink too much.....conserve water
- 7: Plant trees on land where trees have been cut down
- 8: Don't throw away too much paper
- 9: Use long-lasting light bulbs
- 10: Sign a petition and send it to your local MP, who will attend at the Global Summit.

Interview of Mr Houghton

by Nathan S and Zac D

Q: If you had £1000 what would you do?

A: I would put it in my children's savings account.

Q: What's your favourite thing about working at Alma?

A: The children and the staff are very friendly.

Q: How many languages do you speak?

A: I speak two languages English and French

Q: What's your favourite food?

A: Pancakes!

Interview of Mrs Goldman

by Liya, Talya F & Olivia

Q: Have you ever taught in another school?

A: Yes, I've taught in 5 different schools. 2 were in Ealing, 1 in Camden and 2 in Barnet, including Alma.

Q: Where were you born?

A: In North London.

Q: Do you play any instruments?

A: I used to play the recorder and the piano.

Interview of Mr Shoffren

by Olivia & Talya F

Q: Have you ever been to another school to teach?

A: Yes at Clore Shalom and North London Collegiate.

Q: Do you play any instruments and if you do what is it?

A: Guitar

Q: What's your favourite colour?

A: Purple

Q: Who is in your family?

A: I am married and I have an 11-year-old son and a five month old daughter.

Q: What's your favourite activity?

A: My favourite thing is to spend time with my family.



Q: What's your favourite colour?

A: Blue!

Q: What is your favourite song?

A: Pulp- Something Changed

Q: If you were not a teacher what would you be?

A: A marine biologist and spend my time diving with turtles, dolphins and sharks.



Q: What is your favourite song? A: Yeheya tov by David Broza and American Pie by Don Mclean

Q: If you were not a head teacher what would you be?

A: I would work for a charity.



Sudoku

By Carla and Talya F

Have a go at this Sudoku for beginners! Try your best.

This Sudoku was taken from www.dadsworksheets.com.

9	8	1	3	6	5	2	7	4
7	6	5	4	8	2	3	1	9
2	4	3	1	7	9	8	5	6
1	9	2	6	3	4	7	8	5
4	3	7	5	2	8	9	6	1
8	5	6	9	1	7	4	3	2
3	2	4	7	5	6	1	9	8
5	1	8	2	9	3	6	4	7
6	7	9	8	4	1	5	2	3

Sudoku puzzles require you to find the missing numbers in a 9 by 9 grid, with that grid itself divided into 9 square grids of 3 by 3.

You can't just add any numbers, though. There are rules that making solving the puzzle challenging.

A number can only occur once in a row, column, or square.

To solve a Sudoku, look for open spaces where its row, column and square already have enough other numbers filled in to tell you the correct value. The more squares you fill in, the easier the puzzle is to finish!

8		7			4			9
1		9	8		2	3		7
	3	5			7	4		6
6		4	7	8		9	3	
9		3			1		7	
7	8				3	1	4	
	7	1	4		9	8		3
4	2		3	7	6		9	1
3	9		1		8	7		4

8		9	3		6	7	5	2
3		2	1		5	8		4
	4	7	8	2	9		6	3
2		5			8	6	3	
1		6	7		3	2		8
4		3	9		2			7
7	3			8	4		2	6
6		4	2	9	7	3	8	
	2		6	3			7	

Answers:

5	7	4	1	3	9	8	2	6
1	8	3	7	9	4	5	6	9
7	2	6	9	4	8	5	1	3
7	1	7	5	2	6	9	3	4
8	4	8	2	3	5	7	6	1
9	3	6	8	1	4	5	7	2
3	9	1	6	9	2	8	7	5
4	6	8	5	7	1	2	6	3
2	5	7	6	4	3	9	1	8

3	9	6	1	5	8	7	2	4
4	2	8	3	7	6	5	9	1
5	7	1	4	2	9	8	6	3
7	8	2	6	9	3	1	4	5
9	5	3	2	4	1	6	7	8
6	1	4	7	8	5	9	3	2
2	3	5	9	1	7	4	8	6
1	4	9	8	2	3	5	7	6
8	6	7	5	3	4	2	1	9