

Alma Matters

Alma Kindness in Sierra Leone

A group of children in Sierra Leone have been wearing our Alma uniforms since they were donated to World Child Connect. Leftover second hand uniform, pencils, books and other stationery was given to Ella Selsick who donated them to the school in Sierra Leone. They sent us this photo to say thanks!



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Autumn learning days:

Yom Kippur—18th Sept

Simchat Torah—28th Sept

Black History Month—

October

Anti-Bullying Week—12th

16th Nov

Mitzvah Day 16th Nov

Hanukkah—6th Dec

Family Day—9th Dec

The New Playground!

By Amitai & Carla

Over the summer, Alma Primary had builders come and change the playground to make the new playground ready for the start of the school year. The Playground team of parents and teachers designed lots of new fun things for us to do at playtime. People enjoy the new playground more!

Zara in Year 4 said "I really like the gymnastic bars! There is a lot more choice now!"

Noam in Year 5 said, "I really like the new netball pitch and I love the

new playground!"

Ariella from Year 3 said "I really like the hill and tunnel. I used to feel really bored in the old playground but now I don't!"



Cake Sale for Shelter!

By Talya F and Carla

Year 3 baked at home and made a cake sale to support Shelter! Everyone came and ate our cakes and we sold loads! We raised £142.40. We chose Shelter because we wanted to help homeless people who aren't as lucky as us.



Exclusive Interview: Moreh Ithamar

By Ava and Blu

Why did you become a teacher?

Answer: 'I want to share my love and knowledge of the Hebrew language.'

What would you be if you weren't a teacher?

Answer: 'A writer or a film-maker. Or maybe journalist.'

If you were not a Hebrew teacher, what would you teach?

Answer: I think I'd teach film-making and English literature.'

If you had a £4000 voucher, what would you spend it on?

Answer: 'Clothes and books. Lots of them.'

What is your hobby or hobbies?

'Definitely clothes. I love fashion.... I think I also love literature. I'm always reading, or writing books. And I love film-making too. But the books I write aren't just in Hebrew either...'



We are delighted to introduce Moreh Itamar as the new Hebrew teacher at

Book Review: The Magical Faraway Tree

By Annabel, Olive and Tamar

Author: Enid Blyton

An enchanting story about fairies and pixies that travel to magical lands by climbing up and down a ladder. Meet Mr Saucepan man, Moon face ,Silky ,Joe and sometimes Rick and Joe's and his siblings for an exciting read.

The best part of the book is when they go up into the land of presents.

We would recommend this book for boys and girls between 6 and 9.

Here's a peep of one of saucepan's songs!

Two kettles for silky,
Two saucepans for me,
Two dishes for Moon-face,
We're sad as can be!



Hanukkah

By Zach and Annabel

In the second century BCE, the Holy Land was ruled by the Seleucids (Syrian-Greeks), who tried to force the people of Israel to accept Greek culture and beliefs instead of mitzvah observance and belief in God. Against all odds, a small band of faithful Jews, led by Judah the Maccabee, defeated one of the mightiest armies on earth, drove the Greeks from the land, reclaimed the Holy Temple in Jerusalem and rededicated it to the service of God.

When they sought to light the Temple's Menorah (the seven-branched candelabrum), they

found only a single cruse of olive oil that had escaped contamination by the Greeks.

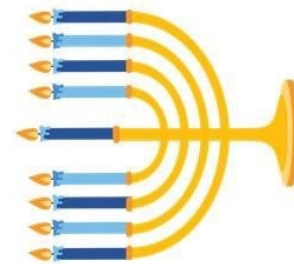
Miraculously, they lit the menorah and the one-day supply of oil lasted for eight days, until new oil could be prepared under conditions of ritual purity.

To commemorate and publicize these miracles, the sages instituted the festival of Chanukah.



Hanukkah Word Search

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CHANUKAH				
MACCABEES				
MENORAH				
FESTIVAL				

Alma Garden

By Talya and Alex

We enjoyed digging holes in the grass and painting rocks at the front. Some children painted nurture flowers. Then we wrote Alma in Hebrew made out of flowers. Lastly we made a vegetable patch.



All the children said how much they enjoyed planting in our garden. They were so impressed with the beautiful vegetables and flowers that grew.

Diversity role model: Stephen Hawking

By Leah M, Zach K and Nathan S

Stephen Hawking was a theoretical physicist (someone who invents and studies theories). His full name was Stephen William Hawking and he was born in Oxford in 1942. In 1963, Hawking contracted motor neurone disease which meant he would gradually have less and less movement in his body. He was in a wheelchair and used a special device to talk through. Despite his illness, he still worked and studied hard. He researched black holes and space time theory! In addition, Stephen wrote the famous book 'A brief history of time'. He died in 2018 at the age of 76.



Meet the Team

The Alma Newspaper Club includes:

Year 5: Leah & Nathan

Year 4: Blu, Annabel, Olive & Zach

Year 3: Ava, Carla, Amitai, Alex, Talya, Tamar

Supported by Mrs Rose and Mrs Fine

