

ALPHA NEWS

Friday 27th February 2026

Our first week back after the half-term break has been bustling, bright and sunny. A huge thank you to parents who have visited our Annual Scholastic Book Fair this week to purchase items from the Fair – with the purchases you make, the school will receive a percentage of the total so that we can order new books for our library and our class libraries. When we have received the total amount, we will publish this to parents, but thank you very much in advance for helping us to continue encouraging the children to enjoy and love reading. On Tuesday, Alpha celebrated the Chinese New Year and we welcomed in the year of the horse. Ms Rasheed and the Catering Team whisked us away to China for the day...the Dining Hall looked amazing and the food was absolutely delicious. We have certainly been rather lucky with the weather this week, which also meant that our Annual Inter-House Cross Country event could take place yesterday afternoon. You can read more about the event from Mr Holland a little later. To see a range of unedited photographs from the event, please visit:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/31wzokcklcww5ycvdj7vz/ADGqp7KhA1CsoD3W6ZxUVmM?rlkey=8k1ee6lfshuoayfkhis1tq2oi&st=eatmu3ca&dl=0>

In this morning's assembly, we congratulated the children in Years 3 to 6 for making it through the Cross Country course and we celebrated the entries to our Book Fair Competition – well done to all! To our families who have started celebrating Ramadan, we would like to share our warm wishes to you and your loved ones for the blessed month, and wish you all Ramadan Mubarak. Have a wonderful weekend.

My Ninja Vocabulary words for this week are:

Rec to Year 2	Year 3 to Year 6
rugged	endurance



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 2nd March

8:15am - Meet Our Year 6 Librarians in the Library
Year 3 Class Assembly on Healthy Eating
Miss Karunakaran (Head of Music) Starts @ Alpha

Tuesday 3rd

Maths Quiz Club Semi Finals
U9 Girls' Football vs Reddiford @ Middlesex Stadium

Wednesday 4th

Remember to Bring a Spare White T-Shirt to Create a Design During World Book Day!

Thursday 5th

World Book Day (Wear Pyjamas/ Loungewear/ Dressing Gowns... and Bring a Teddy to Promote Reading for Positivity and Wellbeing
Esther Marshall (Author) Visiting Alpha
U11 Inter-House Unihoc During Sports Afternoon

Friday 6th

Reception Trip to Bekonscot Model Village
Science Quiz Club Heats
Rollo the Dog (Pets As Therapy) Visiting Alpha
Pride and Prejudice International Zoom Filming

SPORTS REPORT

Mr Holland Writes...

It has been a busy sporting week. On Tuesday, the Year 3 and 4 boys had a unihoc fixture against Buckingham Prep at The Middlesex Stadium and we enjoyed a successful and undefeated afternoon. In the first match, everyone played well as the team drew 1-1. Viaan and Dylan took it in turns to play in goal and midfield and performed very well, as did Jaime in defence, Zaki and Praneel in midfield and Priyen in attack. Jaden scored our goal but it was Nishay and Anthony who received the Player of the Match awards on this occasion for their excellent play. All members of our second team also applied themselves well to help ensure a 2-0 victory thanks to goals from Rohan and Zak. Ryan did well in goal but Ahaan received the Player of the Match award as voted for by our opposition. Kaiyan also received this accolade for his hard work and strong performance throughout. Well done to each and every player and many thanks to Coaches Kanvar and McAllister!

Despite the relentless rain we have endured thus far in 2026, the weather was very kind to us this week and led to ideal running conditions for our annual Alpha Inter-House Cross Country event at Harrow Recreation Ground yesterday. Every single child in Years 3 to 6 showed incredible effort, grit and determination to complete the course and earn valuable points for their House. Each and every pupil should therefore be very proud of themselves as this alone is a wonderful achievement and says a lot about the attitude and spirit of an Alpha pupil. Many thanks, as ever, to the many spectators who made the effort to attend the event and cheer on their charges - the children always dig a little deeper and push themselves that bit harder with this added encouragement and support! Thank you also to the Alpha staff team and a special mention to Mr McAllister, as always, for helping me to prepare and set up the event.

The runners who finished first, second and third in each race were presented with their gold, silver and bronze medals immediately after the event. The individual medallists can be seen below, along with the overall Team/House result.

Year 3/4 girls' race

- 1st - Gold medal: Savannah Varsani (Year 3 - Shrewsbury)
- 2nd - Silver medal: Jaini Kara (Year 4 - Shrewsbury)
- 3rd - Bronze medal: Yashvi Pindoria (Year 3 - Shrewsbury)

Year 3/4 boys' race

- 1st - Gold medal: Jaden Patel (Year 4 - Liverpool)
- 2nd - Silver medal: Nishay Patel (Year 4 - Liverpool)
- 3rd - Bronze medal: Anthony Lam (Year 4 - Liverpool)

Year 5/6 girls' race

- 1st - Gold medal: Sia Bhudia (Year 5 - Shrewsbury)
- 2nd - Silver medal: Millie Vaghela (Year 6 - Shrewsbury)
- 3rd - Bronze medal: Leeya Patel (Year 5 - Shrewsbury)

Year 5/6 boys' race

- Joint 1st - Gold medal: Ananth Raghuraman (Year 6 - Bradfield) + Nikolaos Maltezos (Year 5 - Liverpool)
- 2nd - Silver medal: Elias Shariff (Year 6 - Bradfield)
- 3rd - Bronze medal: Rishi Iyer (Year 6 - Shrewsbury)

After collating and calculating all the results, the winning House and Cross Country Champions 2026 are Shrewsbury - congratulations!

GET THOSE COGS TURNING!

The Alpha Parents Association (APA) is excited to invite you to our 2026 Parent and Staff Quiz Night on Thursday, 12th March 2026!

Get ready for a fun-filled evening of trivia, laughter, and a little friendly competition with fellow parents and Alpha School staff. Your ticket includes a delicious dinner and soft drinks — and you're welcome to BYOB to keep those brain cells buzzing.

Tickets are limited, so grab yours early from the APA Reps on Tuesday morning or the School Office.

Will the reigning champions defend their title, or is it your team's year for glory? Join us and find out!

**ALPHA PARENTS ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS
THE
PARENTS & STAFF
QUIZ
NIGHT**

THURSDAY 12TH MARCH 2026

TIME: 1845 - 2200

VENUE: ALPHA SCHOOL HALL

TICKET: INCLUDES A MEAL

£10 per ticket

*****Limited Tickets**

**TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE OUTSIDE
THE FRONT GATES ON THE FOLLOWING DATE
WED 25TH FEB 8AM**

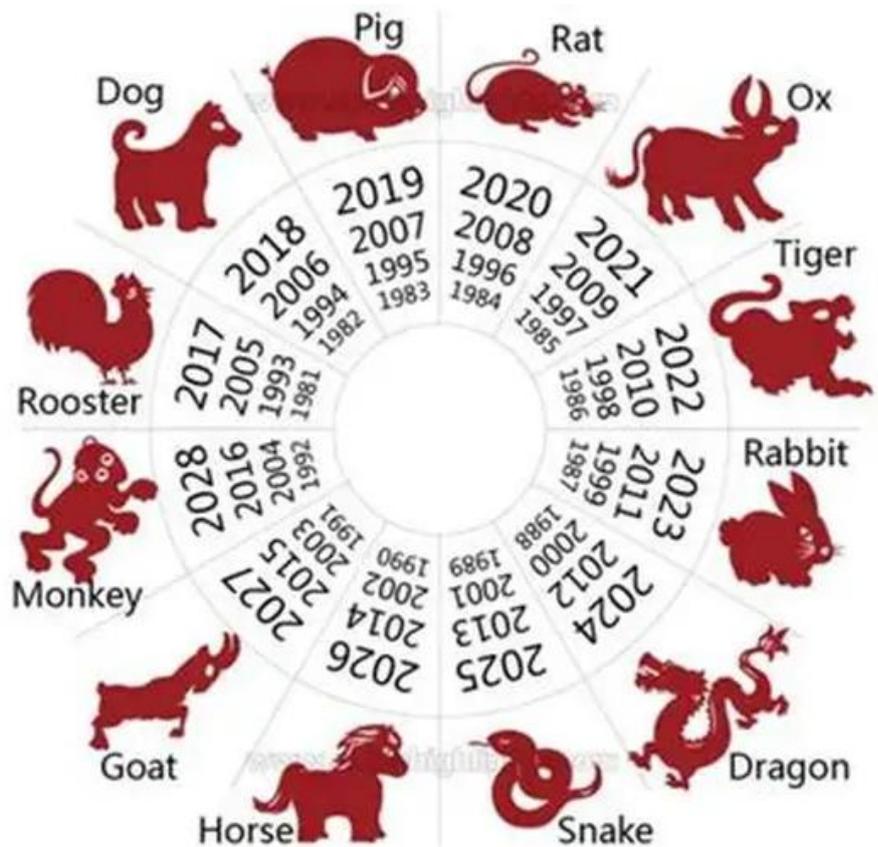
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OFFICE AT ALL OTHER TIMES**

CARD / CASH IS ACCEPTED

FUNDRAISING SUPPORT

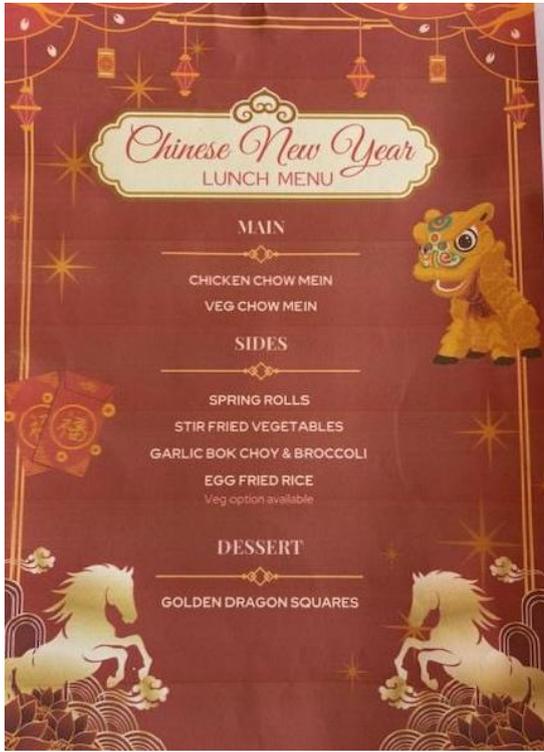
In April, Mr Bhavnani will be running the London Marathon in support of One Cause, <http://www.onecauseuk.org/>, a charity does incredible work to support vulnerable communities and create lasting positive change. If you are able to support, please see fundraising link below: https://www.justgiving.com/page/navin-one-cause-2026?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=020

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WELCOME
THE YEAR
OF THE
HORSE**

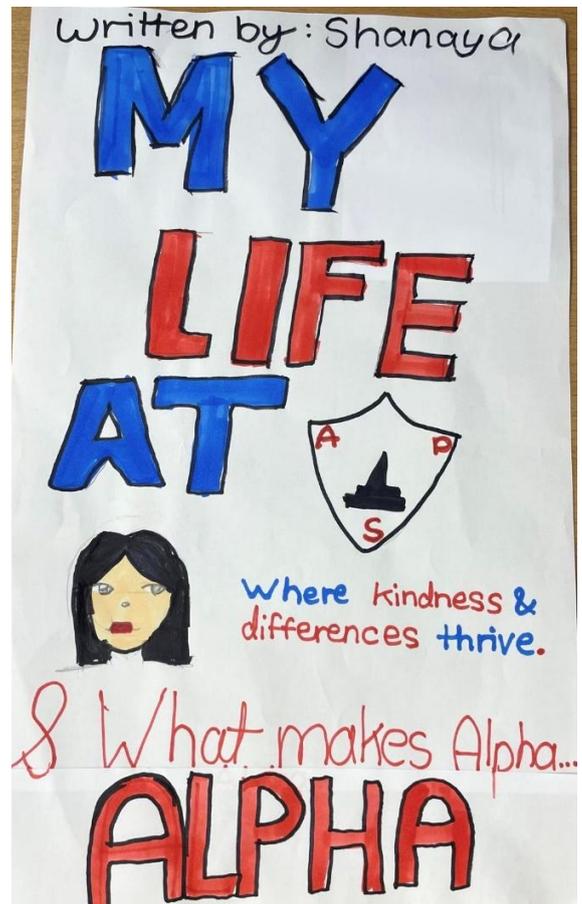
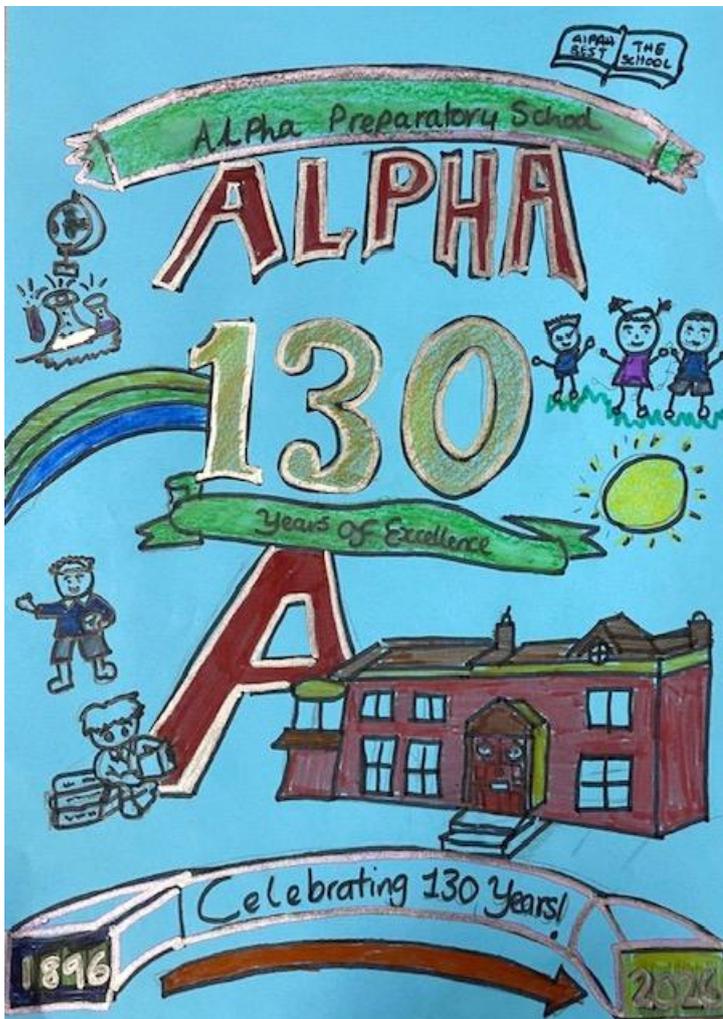
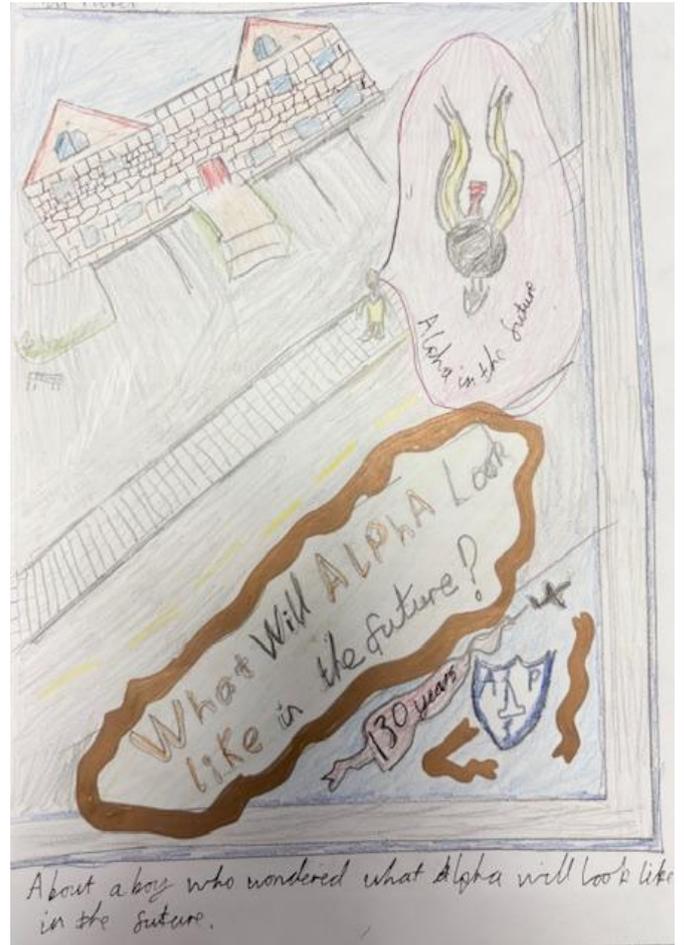


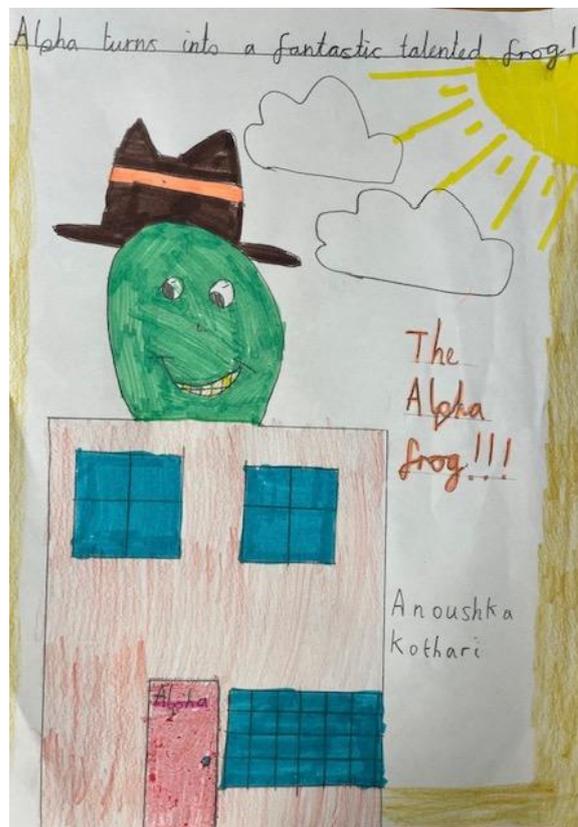
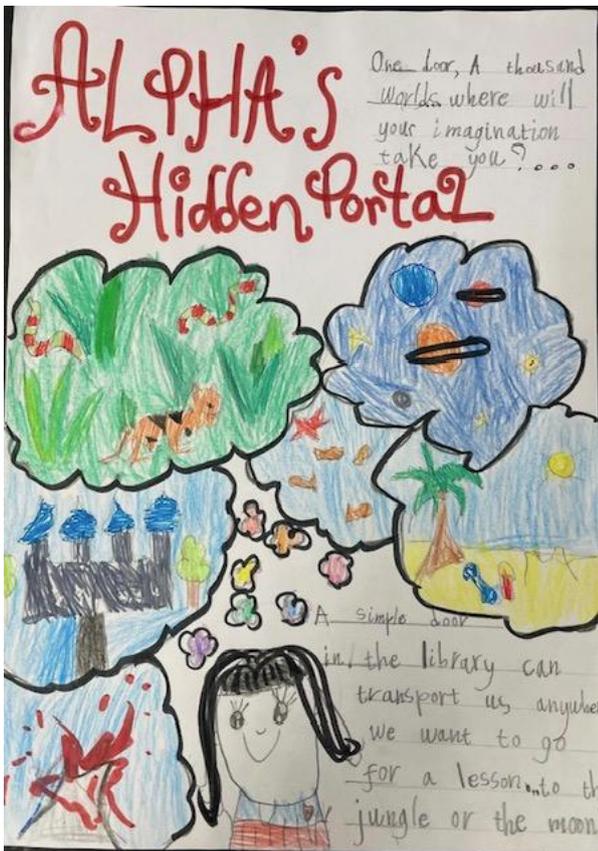
On Tuesday 24th February, we celebrated Chinese New Year – can you work out which animal represents you?

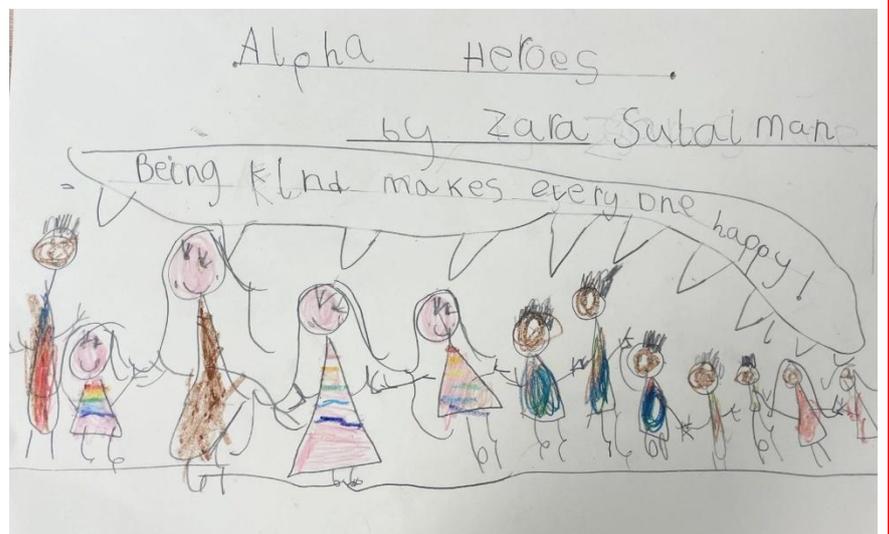
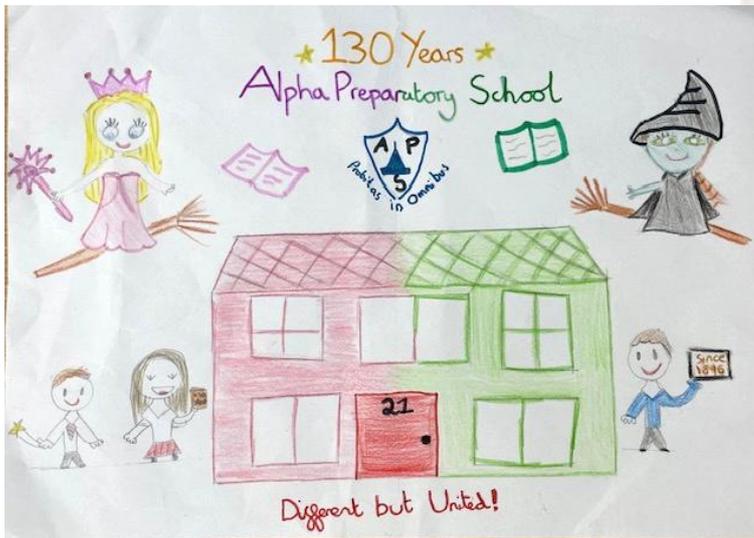
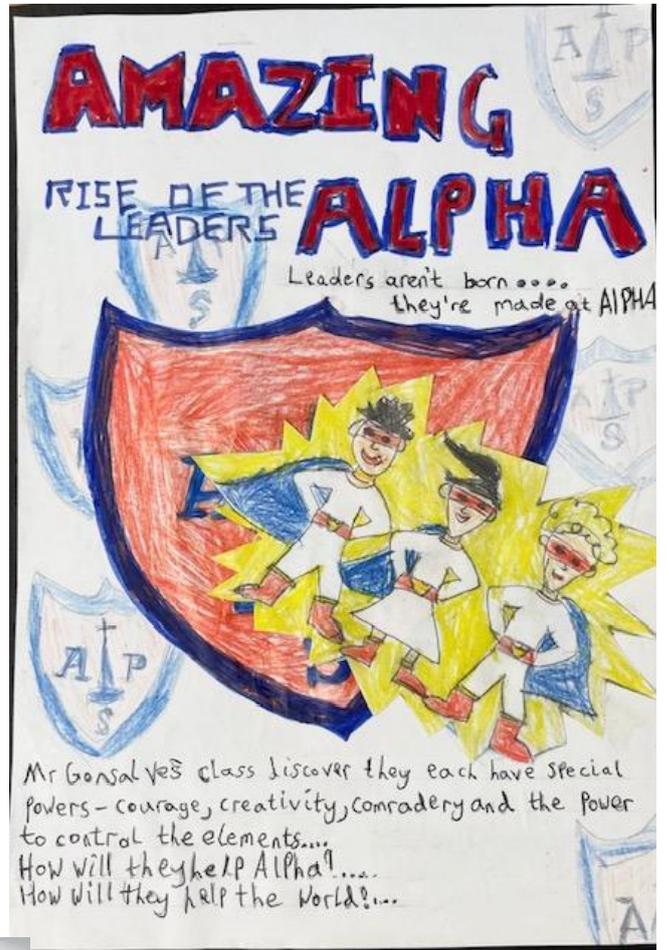
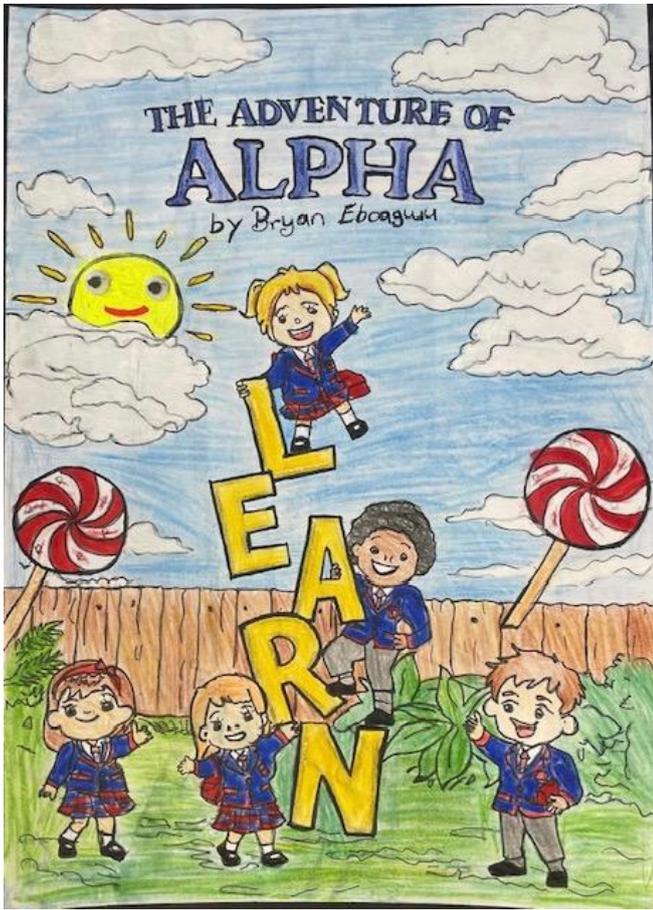




A SELECTION OF BOOK FAIR ENTRIES







The ALpha Adventures On Hinder Road.

MR Fahy's Quest.



The Amazing Alpha Strikes Again!



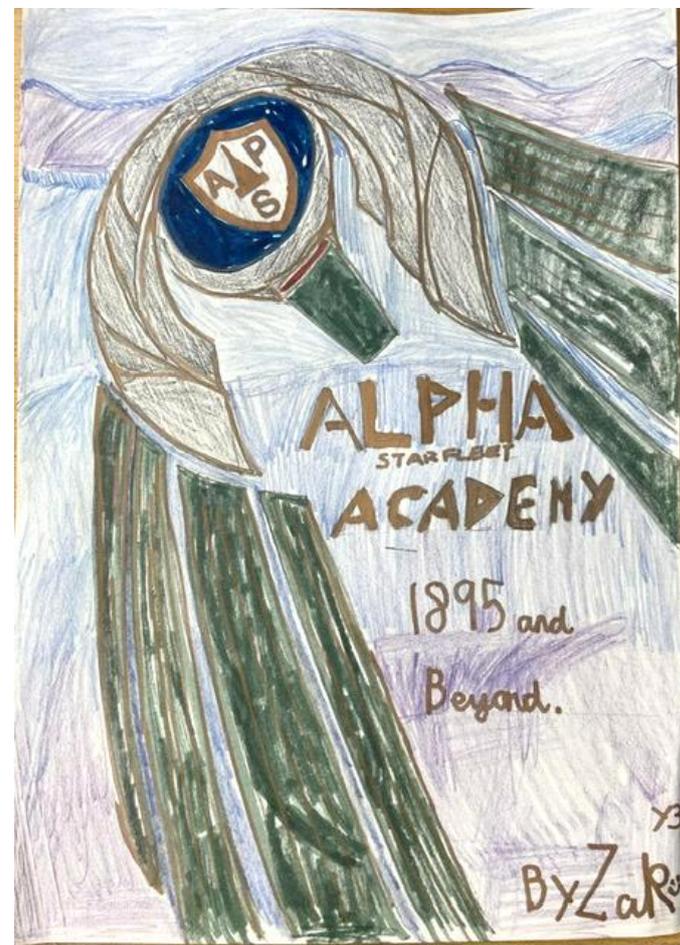
ALPHA PREP'S

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



By Aria Patel

BIRTHDAY PARTY!



By Zak