

With no exciting visits from Ofsted, it has been back to business at Alford Primary. As you know, we are looking at being 'Rosie Resilient' this term, but we are also learning about the value of Aspiration. Teachers have linked the learning in class to the value of Aspiration and, in lots of subjects, children have been looking at the work of great artists, engineers and scientists to inspire their learning and increase their aspirations to be the best they can be.

With this in mind, I thought that I would share some of the very arty work that has been going on in school.



Reception have been doing art in Maths – making Octopus models to practise counting.

Year 1's Topic: 'Paddington goes to London' has meant that they have been looking at the work of Monet – who painted many



scenes of London in all different weather and times of day.



Year 3 have been looking at Henri Rousseau – linked to their topics so far this year. They have

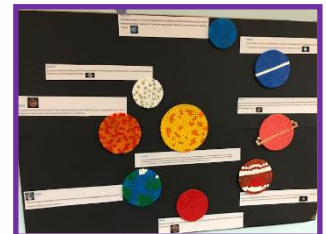
produced some amazing artwork.

Year 4 have been inspired by the author Cressida Cowell. They are reading 'How to Train Your Dragon', and through this, they have produced this wonderful writing and artwork.



Year 5 have been learning about Earth and Space. The children have been

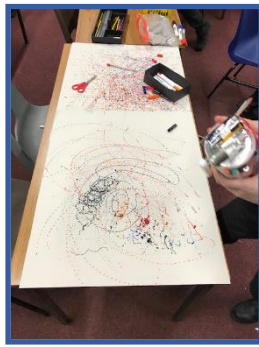
working at home to produce models of the solar system and have been very creative in their methods.



In Year 6 – the work of Vincent Van Gogh has inspired these marvellous drawings:



Even in after school clubs, the children have been using STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities to produce amazing art. Very Jackson Pollack!



I certainly think our children would give the National Galleries a run for their money.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs Ross**

### Attendance

Our attendance last week remained at **97.00%** which is amazing. Well done everyone.



to 3B and 6BHS who had 99% attendance last week.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Clerk to the Govenors (Mrs Catherine Murray) through the school office.

### School Term Dates



Please be aware that there has been a change in date to one of the Bank Holidays in May.

May Day will now be on **FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY** **not** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

#### TERM 3: 2019/2020

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
until Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020

#### TERM 4: : 2019/2020

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
until Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020

#### TERM 5: : 2019/2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020  
until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020  
**Bank Holiday: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

#### TERM 6: : 2019/2020

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020  
until Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

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#### TERM 1: 2020/2021

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020  
until Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

#### TERM 2: 2020/2021

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 until  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020

#### TERM 3: 2020/2021

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

## Friends of the School Forthcoming Events

February	Silver Coin Challenge
March	Easter Egg Raffle
April	Family Games Night (bingo and quizzes)
May	Film Night

## Diary Dates

Please find below some dates for your diary.  
More information will be sent out about  
events nearer the time.

Monday 27th January & Wednesday 29th January	EYFS Parents' Meetings
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term.
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Return to School
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Balanceability – all week
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	WORLD BOOK DAY Children can come to School dressed up as their favourite book character
w/c 9 <sup>th</sup> March	WOW Science Week/Sport Relief Week
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March (pm)	Y3 Performance (The Pied Piper)
w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1 – Y6 Parent Evenings Dates to be confirmed
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Last day of term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Return to School for the Summer Term