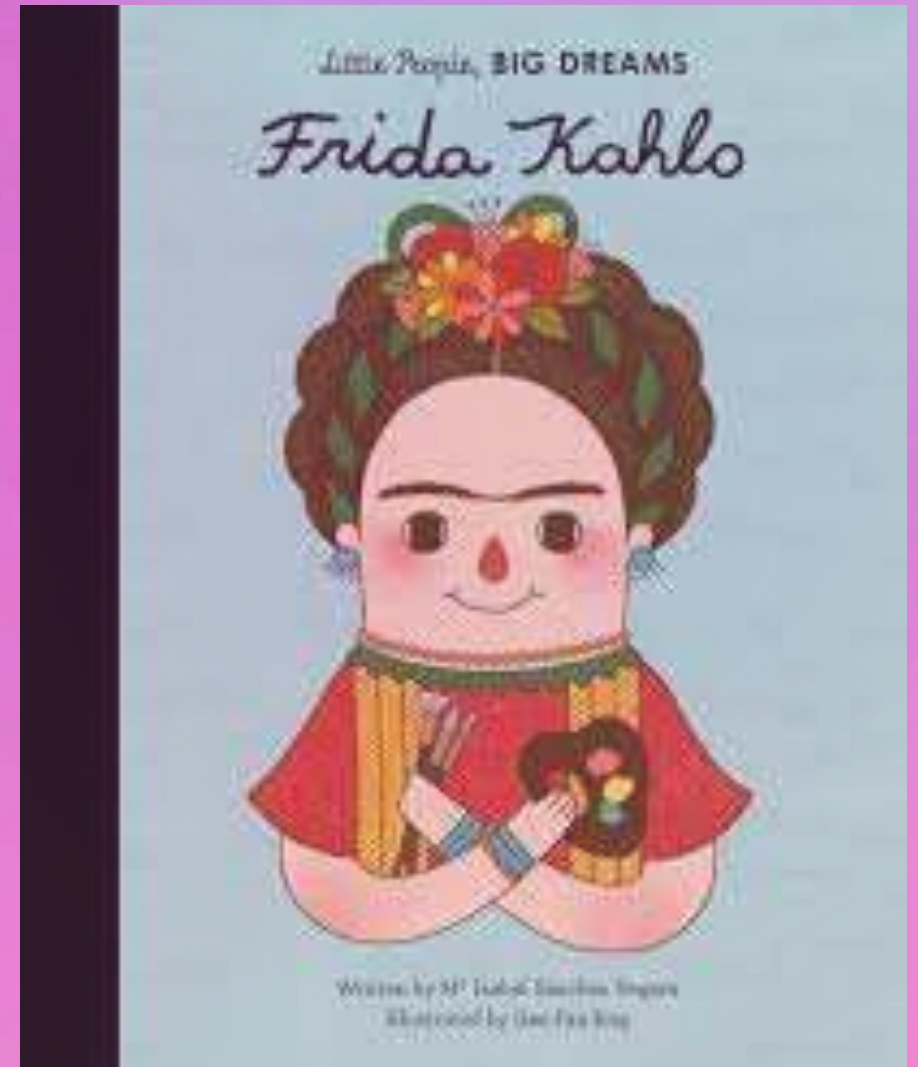


Today is World Art Day. Art is a great way to express how we feel. Young Frida found art helped her express her differences...





Frida Kahlo was born in Mexico. Just by looking at her you could see she was special.



When she was at school she got really sick.

The illness made her leg as skinny as a rake.

But Frida didn't complain. She was different. She liked to dress differently, too.



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Then one day, a bus Frida was riding crashed into a car. Life as she knew it changed forever.



After her accident, Frida had to rest in bed. To help the hours pass, she drew pictures of her feet.



Then, even though she was still in pain, Frida decided to draw self-portraits using a mirror.

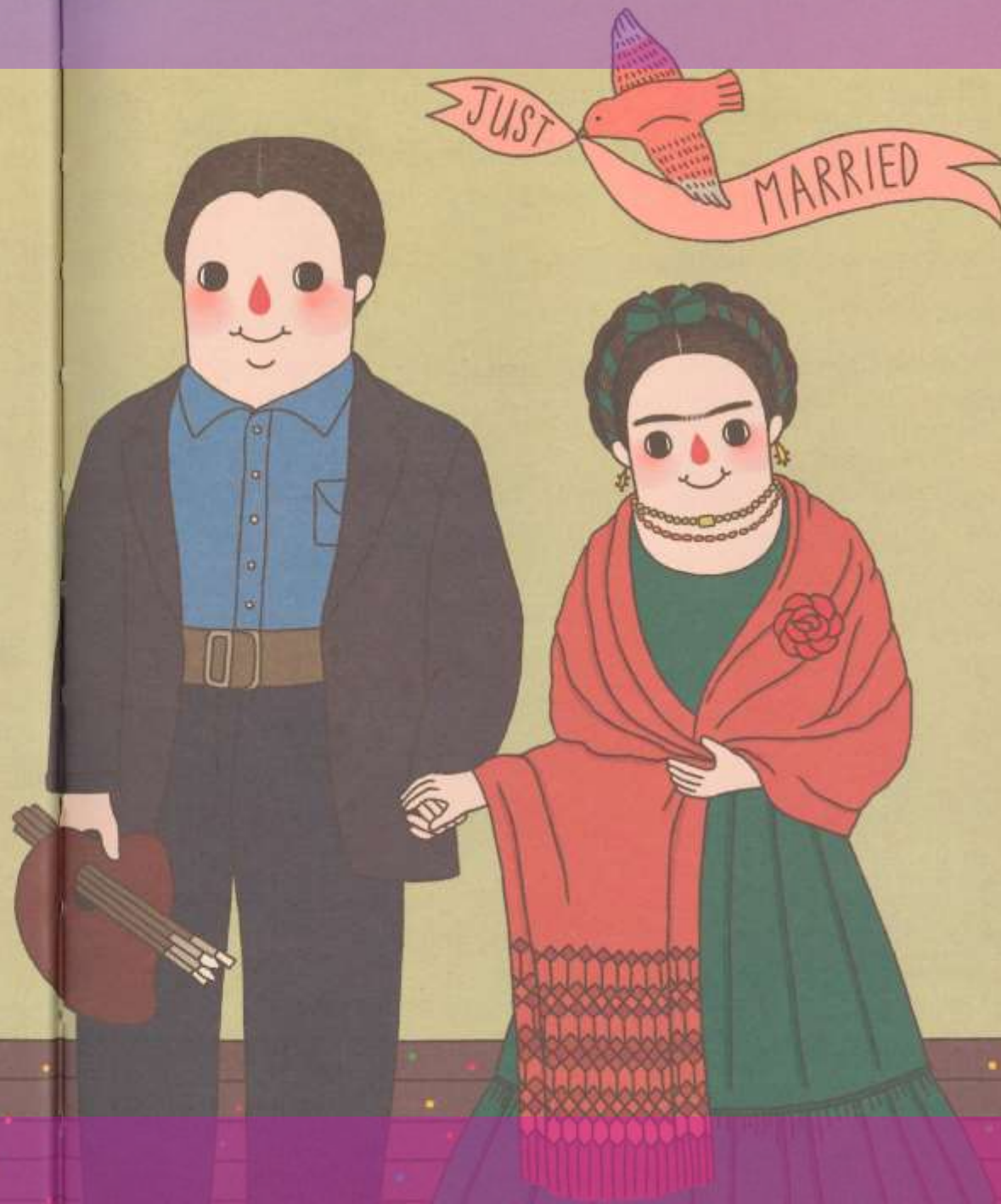
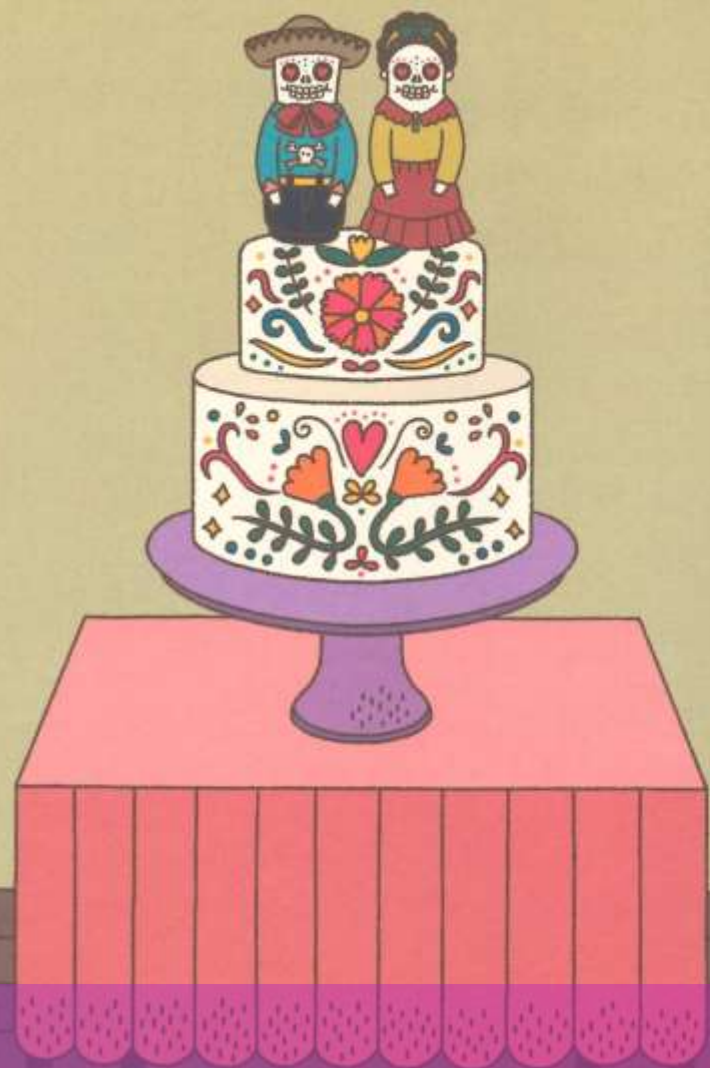
Painting by painting, Frida – and her art –
got better. It was time to show her pictures to
someone else.



couldn't believe his eyes. He wasn't sure what he liked more – her pictures, or her.



Frida and Diego fell in love. They were so similar, and yet so different. But through their ups and downs, Diego encouraged Frida in her paintings.



Through her wonderful pictures, Frida spoke about how she was feeling. In some she looked sad but in others, she smiled.



Eventually Frida decided to show everyone her work.
Her pictures caused a great stir in New York City.

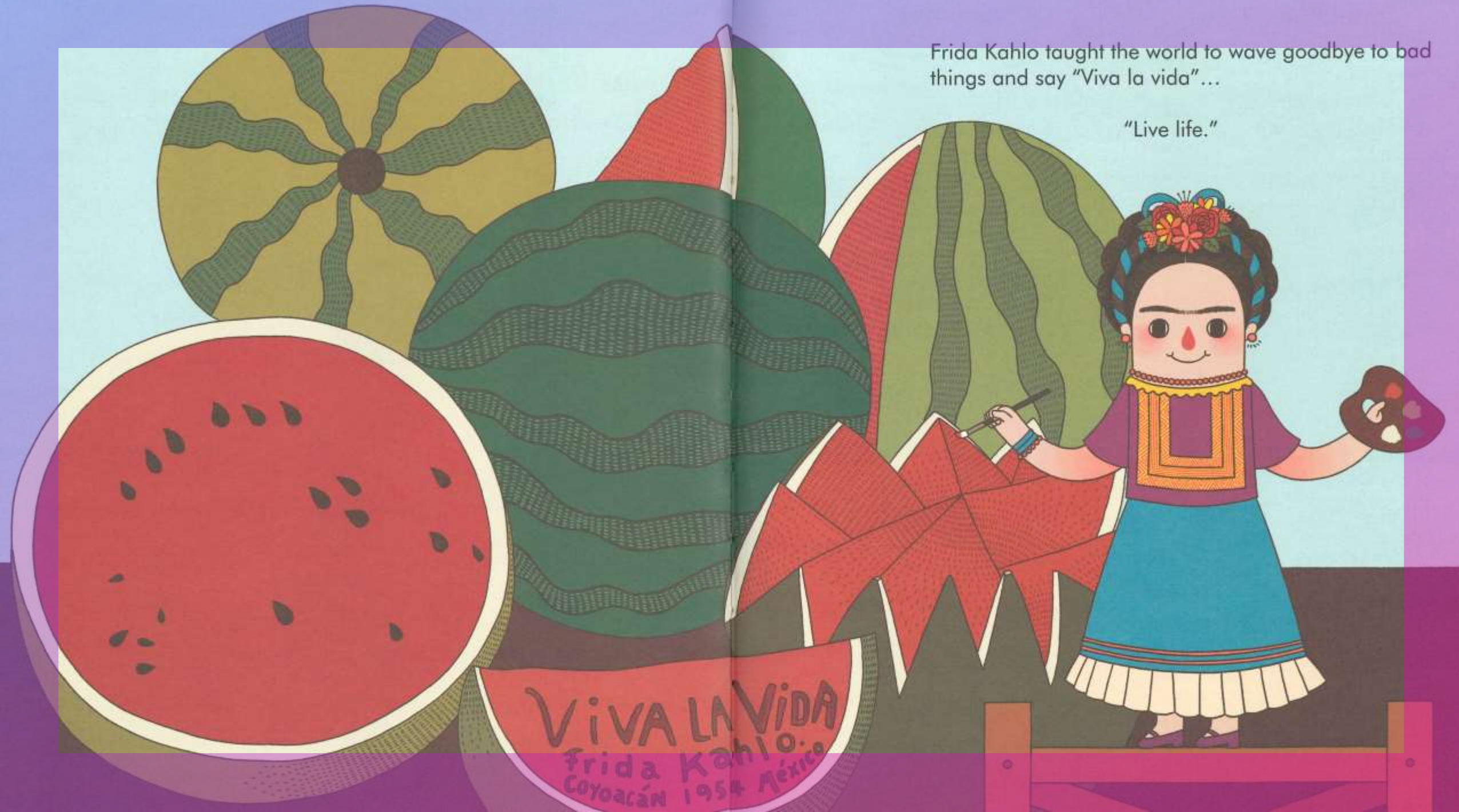


When the exhibition came to Mexico, Frida was so ill she had to be in bed. But it was clear that nothing could stop her from painting – not illness, pain or heartache.



Frida Kahlo taught the world to wave goodbye to bad things and say "Viva la vida"...

"Live life."



Do you think it was tricky for Frieda keeping up with her friends at school after her illness?

*How did Frieda's art help her when she was younger?
What about as she got older?*





School Reflection

This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
Let the rooms be full of contentment.

Let love abide here,
Love of one another,
Love of mankind,
Love of life itself.

Let us remember
That as many hands build a house,
So many hearts make a school
Help us to learn, play and share together.

We hope our school will be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love,
A place where everyone is respected, and all are deeply valued.