

From the Principal...

Alma Public School had an amazing Week 3 with our school participating in a range of activities to celebrate Education week. Parents and members of our community celebrated the theme 'Today's schools - creating tomorrow's futures' with open classrooms and a variety of activities throughout the week. Our Junior and Senior Choirs lit up the Musician's club as they performed as part of the Broken Hill Choral Festival. Students also had a great day participating in the Barrier athletics carnival. Well done to the students and teachers involved!



NAIDOC WEEK

This week we partake in our NAIDOC Celebrations. NAIDOC Week is a time to revel the invaluable contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have made – and continue to make - to our communities, our families, our rich history and to our nation. Under the theme - *Because of her, we can,* we acknowledge their achievements, their voice, their unwavering passion to empower past generations and pave the way for generations to come. Our school will be holding events throughout the week which started with the Flag Raising today (see photos on front cover and page 5). On Wednesday we would like to invite you to join us in a day of activities/celebrations and on Friday see the students involved in TIG games and our NAIDOC Assembly.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

It's time to dress up...Thursday is our Book Week parade! Students and teachers will be dressing up in their favourite characters around the theme of 'Find your Treasure'. Come along and join in a great day with group reading at 11.40 under the COLA followed by the parade.

WRONG ANSWERS, GREAT LEARNING

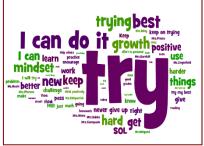
Thomas Edison said that he did not fail at making the light bulb one thousand times, but rather that "the light bulb was an invention with 1,000 steps."

"I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot... and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. That is why I succeed." (Michael Jordan)

Making mistakes is a natural part of all learning. Those who we consider to be "great" are clear that mistakes lead to learning.

The latest research shows that mistakes are a very important part of learning! When a person makes an error and they have the opportunity to learn from it, they actually develop a much stronger understanding. When you support an attitude that values learning from mistakes, you are telling your child that mistakes are a valuable and natural ingredient in learning and will lead to a deeper understanding.

As you play a huge role in influencing the mindset of your children, it's important for you to model a growth mindset for your children. Showing your children that you are excited by challenges, see mistakes as learning opportunities, and understand the value of practice and trying different strategies, will go a long way in cultivating their growth mindsets!



Thought for the week: 'If you find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere' - Frank A Clark

Jonathon Thomas Relieving Principal



Pictured above and on the next page is some wonderful NAIDOC artworks from 3-4C

NAIDOC Celebration Day

Wednesday 15th August

This Wednesday, students are asked to come to school dressed in NAIDOC colours (red, black, and yellow) for a day filled with NAIDOC fun activities and educational workshops for everyone to enjoy.

- Come along and share this wonderful day of celebration with your children as they rotate in groups through each activity
- Join our tradition and wear red, yellow and black if possible
- A free sausage sizzle will be provided for lunch
- A continuous morning tea will be held throughout the day
- Food and drinks will be available from the school canteen
- Don't forget to try the amazing Johnny Cakes!

Book Week Celebration Day

<mark>Thursday 16th August</mark>

This Thursday we will also celebrate Book Week. Students can come to school dressed up as their favourite book character.

This year's Book Week theme is 'Find your Treasure'

Come along to our celebrations then stay and have lunch with your children! Parent Canteen Lunch Orders

Parents who would like to order their lunch from the canteen may do so by placing and order at the canteen **before 9.15am** on Thursday.

Colouring In Competition Due TOMORROW!

Colouring In competitions are due back tomorrow! Winners will be announced at the end of the Book Week Parade. A winner selected from each of the following: Preschool, Kindergarten, Year 1-2, Year 3-4 and Year 5-6.

11.40am: Shared Group Reading

Students will assemble under the COLA at 11.40am forming groups to share a story.

12.20pm: Book Week Parade

The Book Week Parade is always a delight and full of excitement! Students from Preschool to Year 6 will parade their costumes under the COLA at the end of the Shared Reading.

1.20pm: P&C Cake Stall

The P&C will be holding a cake stall at 1.20pm after the Book Week Parade. WANTED! The P&C are seeking donations of cakes towards the cake stall. Donations can be taken to the administration office on the day. Your support is greatly appreciated.

TIG Games and NAIDOC Assembly

<mark>Friday 17th August</mark>

On Friday, students will participate in TIG Games on the Alma Oval commencing at 11.40am. A NAIDOC Assembly which will be held in Kester Hall at 2.00pm as we wind up a fantastic week of celebrations. The assembly will be hosted by the Junior AECG . **ALL WELCOME!**



Stage 3 Canberra/Snowy Excursion

The Stage 3 (Year 5-6) Canberra/Snowy excursion departs Alma Public School this Sunday 19th August at 8.30pm SHARP. **Students will need to arrive at school at 8.00pm**.

Medication Reminder

Parents are reminded to bring any medication your child may require for the duration of the trip to the front office **by this Friday 17th August**. This includes over the counter medication such as Panadol, Travel sick tablets etc. All medication must be clearly labelled with your child's name, dosage and time of administration. Medication that is unable to be handed in by Friday MUST be given to a teacher BEFORE boarding the bus prior to departure.

Stage 2 Lake Cullulleraine Excursion

Final payment for the Stage 2 (Year 3-4) excursion to Lake Cullulleraine was due last Friday. **Parent Information Session**

A parent information session will be held on **Wednesday 29th of August at 6:30pm** in Kinder Hall. All parents who have a child attending the camp are *urged* to attend, as important information will be discussed and any questions can be answered.

Muffi Day P&C Fundraiser - Tuesday 28th August

The P&C will be holding a Mufti Day fundraiser on Tuesday 28th August. Students can come to school in casual clothes for a gold coin donation. No slogans or inappropriate footwear.

This is a great opportunity for parents to ensure students uniforms are washed and ready for school photos the following day.

School Photo Day

Wednesday 29th August

Order Online Now! Online Order Code: ZEX PKV YMQ

School photos will be held on Wednesday 29th August. For the convenience of the school community, school photos can be ordered and paid for online using a secure online platform. Orders placed online DO NOT require the envelope or any forms returned to school.

Sibling Photos

Sibling photos can be ordered online if you wish to have a family photo. Envelopes are also available from the administration office.

IMPORTANT!

- 1. Separated Families if you prefer to personally collect your package from your school office, please select the "Collect your Pack" option when you order online
- 2. Collect a **sibling envelope** from the front office if you are not ordering online. DO NOT use the envelopes which were sent home previously
- 3. Money Back Guarantee Refunds are only available if photographs are returned within 14 days of receipt to an AdvancedLife Office. No Refunds are available one your portrait image has been downloaded

Uniform Requirements

Students will be required to wear **full school winter uniform** on photo day. Uniforms are available for purchase from the administration office. Payment at this stage is CASH only.

<u>Please note: The **correct money** needs to be put in the envelope, as the office does not open them. The envelopes go straight to the photographer.</u>

A school computer is available if you wish to order your photos on the internet. The ladies in the office are happy to help you with this.

Choral Festival



Congratulations to our Alma junior and senior choirs who put on wonderful performances at the Choral Festival last week. All students looked amazing in their uniforms and have certainly done their school and families proud! Thank you to our choir teachers Miss Edgar and Miss Lawrence.

PSSA Athletics Carnival



The PSSA Track and Field events were held last week. Congratulations to all students who participated in these events. WELL DONE! Pictured above are our representatives for the track events. It was quite a windy day for the track events so Giovanni and Deni also assisted in holding the marquee so it wouldn't be blown away!



NAIDOC Flag Raising Ceremony











SAVE THE DATE! Term 3

<u>AUGUST</u>

Wednesday 15th NAIDOC Celebrations Thursday 16th Book Week Parade & Group Reading Friday 17th NAIDOC Assembly Junior AECG Hosting Sunday 19th - Friday 24th Stage 3 Canberra/Snowy Excursion Monday 20th Broken Hill Eisteddfod Tuesday 28th Mufti Day - Gold coin donation Wednesday 29th School Photo Day Wednesday 29th 6.30pm Parent Information Session 6.30pm -Stage 2 Excursion Lake Cullulleraine Friday 31st Assembly: 1-2J Hosting

<u>SEPTEMBER</u>

Friday 7th Barrier Athletics – Sunraysia Tuesday 11th – Monday 17th Healthy Harold Life Education Visit Friday 14th Assembly: KM Hosting Monday 24th – Wednesday 26th Stage 2 Excursion Lake Cullulleraine Friday 21st Gala Day: Soccer (G), Basketball (B) Wednesday 26th Gala Day: Cricket (B), Basketball (G) Friday 29th Term 3 Concludes 3.30pm

School Uniforms

School uniforms are available for purchase from the school's front office. Payment options are CASH ONLY.

Preloved Uniforms Wanted Donations of any uniforms your child/ren may have outgrown are always welcome.

School Hats can be purchased from the school canteen however; we only have limited sizes left at this stage. The P&C are in the process or reordering more stock but it may take a few weeks before they arrive. A notice will be placed in the newsletter when stocks arrive.

Community News



Bugdlie Preschool Applications - 2019

Bugdlie Preschool is now accepting 2019 Waiting List Applications for Indigenous children. Waiting List Application forms are available from Alma Public School's administration office.

Kindergarten Enrolments - 2019

If you have a child starting Kindergarten next year (2019), please complete the form below and return it to school. Children must turn 5 years of age before 31st July 2019 for enrolment in Kindergarten. If you are aware of neighbours or friends who have a child due to start next year, please pass an enrolment form on to them.



Kindergarten Enrolment - 2019

P&C Agenda & Meeting Minutes



Agenda General Meeting

General Meeting Alma parents and Citizens Committee

Time and Date:	Monday 3 September 2018, 6pm
Venue:	Alma Public School

Apologies: Guest:

ltem	Agenda Items	Proposer	Purpose	Time
1.	Welcome	President		5 mins
2.	Apologies	President		
3.	Conflicts of Interest	President		
4.	Minutes Previous minutes	Secretary	Decision	20 mins
	Business arising from previous minutes	President		
5.	Incoming Correspondence	Secretary	Update	5 Mins
6.	Outgoing Correspondence	Secretary		5 Mins
7.	Reports		Update	20 mins
	President	President		
	Financial	Treasurer		
	Canteen	Supervisor		
	Principal	Principal		
8.	Fundraising	All		10 Min
0.	Pie Drive			
	Fundraising Calendar			
9.	General Business	All	Update	25 Mins
9.	Commonwealth			
	school banking			
	P&C Federation meeting update			
10.	Next meeting:			
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Planned Meeting Close: 7:30 pm



General Meeting Alma Parents and Citizens Committee

Time and Date:	7.10pm, Monday 30 th July
Venue:	Alma Public School Staff Room
President:	Belinda Leiper
Present:	Belinda Leiper (President) Julie Holmes, Serena Cetnich, Indira Sharma, Andree Morgan, Judy Henry, Peter Butcher, Narelle Butcher, Emma Blore, Jenelle Bussell, Leesa Roberts, Peta Stephens, Jan Fraser (minutes)

Apologies: Danielle Keenan

Nil

Conflicts of Interest:

No	Item	Documents ¹	Proposer	Discussion	Action
1	Welcome	Agenda 30th July 2018	President	esident President thanked and welcomed everyone for coming and opened the meeting	
2.	Apologies			Danielle Keenan	
			Moved Ruby Church Seconded Julie Holmes Carried	That the apologies be accepted	
3.	Conflicts of Interest	Conflicts of Interest		Nil	



4	Minutes	Alma P&C Minutes of	President	Minutes of 16 May 2018 meeting	
		18th June 2018 pdf -			
		emailed 23rd June 2018			
			Moved: Robbie Butcher	That the Minutes of 18th June 2018 be accepted, and actions	
			confirmed: Serena	endorsed	
			Cetnitch		
				Business arising from the Minutes	
				 Need a fundraiser calendar. 	Belynda Casey to be
				Need a fundraiser calendar.	asked to do calendar.
			Moved: Robbie Butcher	 Motion to get prepaid credit card to value of \$500 to 	
			confirmed: Serena	enable more accurate accounting for future fundraising	
			Cetnitch	activities.	
				 Uniform shop installed in office. Positive feedback School hats to be sourced from elsewhere. 	Uniforms inventory
				hats to be sourced from elsewhere.	carried out when put in
					office each month it will
				 Plagues are here and Barry, the GA will be asked to fix them 	
				to a place in the school.	reordering purposes



5.	Incoming Correspondence	Secretary		•	NIL	
6.	Outgoing Correspondence	Secretary		•	NIL	
7.	Reports	President's Report		•	Belinda informed all that the P & C room was cleaned out and thanked everyone for a great job. A filling cupboard will be sorted, and some things will be shredded.	
		Treasurer's report	Moved: Robbie Butcher Confirmed: Ruby Church	•	Opening Balance \$ 9134.35 Closing Balance \$7262.05 Income for month \$152.70 Expenditure \$ 2025.00. Mother's Day Stall & Gala Day \$1265.30 Netball Gala took \$925.25 expenses \$421.00	
		report	Moved: Belinda Leiper Confirmed: Narelle Butcher	•	Opening balances \$27153.33 Closing Balance \$ 22387.09 Income \$7624.85 Expenditure \$12,392.05 All outstanding invoices now paid. Motion to continue rolling over Term Deposit for Julies long service leave account.	
		Canteen Report	Moved: Robbie Butcher confirmed: Serena Cetnitch	•	Canteen on track with Healthy foods target currently at 73% needs to be 75% so this should be done within next few weeks.	
2		Principals Report		•	Excursions Both Stage 2 & 3 excursion happening this term. Parent meeting will be held for Stage 3 Canberra next Tuesday and Stage 2 Lake Cullulleraine held later in term. Principal Update Sharon will be absent for Term 3. A	



			•	relieving Principal will be appointed this week after an expression of interest went out last week New Staff member Toby Fenton starts this week, Toby was a prac student last Term. We have money from our 128 incentive professional learning so it hasn't cost the school anything. He will be used to cover teachers who are away and doing T & D. Naplan readiness testing has begun this is for when Naplan goes online next year rather than a paper test. Years 3 and 5 are doing this, Enrolments Enrolment details have been submitted for 2019. We currently have 22 EOI for Kindergarten although we are hoping to get 40. That will take us to 257 mainstream enrolments. We have had 8 students leave this term, all have gone to schools out of Broken Hill. NAIDOC and Book Week Celebrations will be held in Week week 4. Please feel free to come along and assist with any activities. Information is in the newsletter. Uniforms All uniforms are in the office now. All going well with positive feedback. I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your support whilst I have been at Alma and congratulate the new P & C on an outstanding start to their term. I will miss you all and look forward to coming back.	
8	Fundraising	Moved: Robbie Butcher confirmed: Narelle Butcher	•	Rugby grand final gates to be run by Alma on Sunday 12th August it will start at 10:30am. Our role is to collect admission, there will be security there to check the cars. Decision made to not continue with Father's Day breakfast as getting helpers and the cost was not justified. Glow Disco to be held 5th September 4:30 to 6:00pm Narelle and Peter to do music. Wednesday 31st October Halloween Disco to be held Mufti Day to be held day before school photos to assist parents with laundry of school cloths. A gold coin donation	Belinda to get additional information



		 will be asked and donated to the P & C Pie drive was discussed, decided need months. Belinda to speak to suppliers margins etc. 	s to be held in colder
9	General Business	 School engagement strategy - Kylie Jac School Initiatives and survey she has d parents about engagement at the scho feedback with involvement parents wo only been one survey returned to date Indira covered the Health Promotion a holding for Alma School. The topics sh Anxiety/stress management, t interpreting and managing em anger. Focus on building resilie intelligence/wellbeing. Healthy eating. Bush tucker /t want to learn about what my ancestors used to eat which si Hand washing in relation to le Personal hygiene. Sleep hygiene. Effects of techr Learning about the human boo the brain works, puberty. Substance misuse. For exampl smoking on the body. Physical exercise. Suggestion to commence school banki Commonwealth Bank. Information to meeting - the office are happy to proc 	Robbie Butcher Robbie

Meeting Closed 7:35pm