

# Alma Public School

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## Newsletter

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### HOP ALONG TO ALMA'S EASTER HAT PARADE

#### WHEN

Thursday 10th April

Year 3-6 Start walking at 11:45am  
Years K-2 start walking at 12pm  
In school parade to begin at 12:30pm

#### WHERE

Parade begins at Alma, along Comstock Street, along Patton Street before returning to school.

Years 3-6 will walk to Harold Williams Home/St Annes and then join the whole school in Patton Street.

#### WHAT

Bring your own easter hat. Families are invited to watch the parade along Patton Street and follow us back to school for a our in school parade and free BBQ lunch.

The P&C will be holding a cake stall and we will be drawing our easter raffle after the parade.



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## *From the Relieving Principal*

We have lots of exciting events coming up over the next two weeks before holidays start. Last day of term 1 is Friday, 11 April 2025.

Miss Bassett-White will be out of the school for the rest of the term while she is relieving with the Early Learners Team. Mrs Morgan will be supporting Kindergarten as Team Leader and Mrs Hinchey will be covering Miss Bassett-White at preschool for the rest of the term on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Maxwell will also be on leave from this Tuesday until Term 2 Week 3. Mr Payne and Miss Bell will be sharing the class during this time.



Teaching and non-teaching staff will have two staff development days at the start of Term 2, with all P-6 students returning on Wednesday, 30 April 2025. The office will be open from 11:00am on Monday, 28 April.

### **Excursions**

Just a reminder that permission notes and deposits are due by the end of the term for the Stage 2 and 3 excursions. We currently have quite low numbers for the Stage 3 excursion and will need more students to attend to make it viable. We know cost of living is hitting everyone hard at the moment so please contact the school and we can arrange an extended payment plan if this helps. We will also have Kindergarten and Stage 1 off on their excursions in week 11.

### **Easter Hat Parade**

Our annual Easter Hat Parade is coming up next Thursday, 10 April. K-2 students will parade up to Patton Street to show off their wonderful Easter hats and 3-6 students will be making a special detour past the nursing home to make the day of some of our older south residents. We invite you to join us at school for a sausage sizzle and the P&C's cake stall from 12.30pm. We will also be drawing the SRC Easter raffle, so please make sure tickets are returned by Wednesday, 9 April. If you would like to donate any cakes to the cake stall, please let the office know and they will pass it on to the P&C. All donated goods must have a list of ingredients with them. I can't wait to see all the creations!

### **Student Behaviour**

Something that I have always been proud to say about Alma is that we always include every student in our school and that everyone belongs. Unfortunately, of late, some students have been making comments about how other students may look or behave that may be different to them and using derogatory comments. We will be doing some explicit teaching in class about being kind and accepting others, using our PBL values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. We will also be responding to these behaviours using our bullying response flowchart included on the next page. We have provided some prompts on our Facebook page for this conversation to continue at home. Please use these to have a chat to your children about everyone being special in their own way and if they do see people being unkind to report it to a teacher.

### **School Excellence Plan**

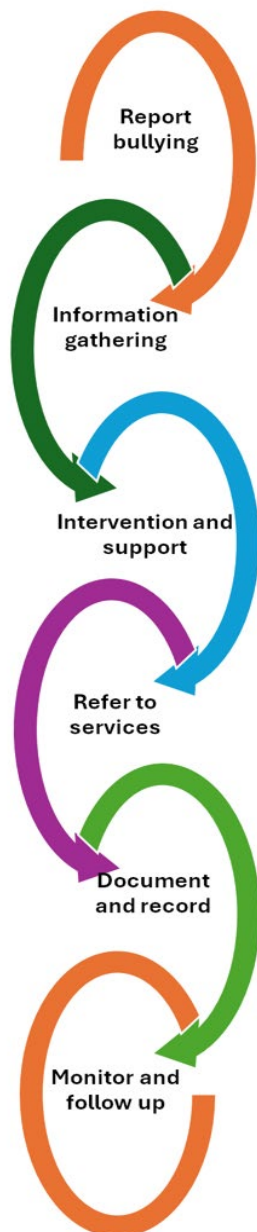
After consultation with our wider community, our school plan for 2025-2029 is ready to be published. Over the next 4 years we will be working towards Strategic Direction 1-Student Growth and Attainment and Strategic Direction 2-Student and Community connections. Strategic Direction 1 will continue to focus on excellence in teaching and making our teachers the best they can be and linking learning to support students to make connections. Strategic Direction 2 is about students being in sync with a focus on HPGE, student voice and developing their sense of belonging within our school. We will also strive to develop stronger relationships with our community and an inclusive school culture.

*Ruby Church*

*Relieving Principal*

Ngayi Alma, we start our week of learning by acknowledging the Wilyakali people. The Wilyakali people are the traditional owners of the land we are on today. On behalf of Alma Public School, we remember Wilyakali people from the past, present and emerging. Their country, our country and our School. We hope you have a great week of learning.

## Alma Public School Bullying Response Flowchart



- Provide a safe, quiet space to talk and reassure the student that you will listen to them
- Let them share their experience and feelings without interruption
- As a mandatory reporter, if you hold immediate concerns for the student's safety, let the student know how you will address these. Immediate in this circumstance is where the staff member believes the student is likely to experience harm (from others or self) within the next 24 hours.

- Ask the student for examples they have of the alleged bullying (e.g. hand written notes or screenshots)
- Write a record of your communication with the student and check with the student to ensure you have the facts correct
- Enter the record in your behaviour / wellbeing ITD system
- Notify school executive of incident if required in line with behaviour management flowchart
- Notify parent/s that the issue of concern is being investigated

- Gather additional information from other students, staff or family
- Review any previous reports or records for students involved
- Make sure you can answer who, what, where, when and how
- Clarify information with student and check on their wellbeing
- Evaluate the information to determine if it meets the definition of bullying (see above)
- Make a time to meet with the student to discuss next steps
- Provide the student and parent with information about student support network
- Agree to a plan of action and timeline for the student, parent and yourself

- Document the plan of action in your behaviour / wellbeing ITD system
- Complete all actions agreed with student and parent within agreed timeframes
- Monitor student and check in regularly on their wellbeing
- Seek assistance from student support network if needed

- Continue to check in with student on regular basis until concerns have been mitigated
- Record notes of follow-up meetings in your behaviour / wellbeing ITD system
- Look for opportunities to improve school wellbeing for all students

- Staff will monitor the outcome of the interventions and follow up as required to ensure safety is restored and relationships are repaired.

**This week, our PBL focus is...**

**We consider others**

*At Alma we are respectful, responsible and resilient.*

## Week 8 assembly superstars! CONGRATULATIONS

### Student Name

Charlie de Hertog  
 Kaison Riley  
 Izaiah Chadwick  
 Evelyn Daley  
 Oriana Jozanovic  
 Zaiyd Stephens  
 Jesse Pearce  
 Maverick Roll  
 Kacie Thickett  
 Armani Frizell-Beggs  
 Jacob Westley  
 Penny Schuster  
 Mia Hayward  
 Shamari Powell  
 Ava Bray  
 Zanon Bennett  
 Lucy Chesworth  
 Xavier Harvey  
 MacKenzie Blake  
 Arthur Maxwell  
 Dakota-May  
 Matthews  
 Emily Nelson  
 Conar Dowling  
 Lyric Williams-Vines  
 Henley Bracken  
 Charlotte Ali  
 Vance Jones



## Swimming Carnival Aged Champions

Congratulations to the following Alma Swimming Carnival Aged Champions.

Senior Boy – Seth Watson  
 Senior Girl – Keeley Thompson  
 11 years Boy – Xavier Harvey  
 11 years Girl – Cadence Bartley  
 Junior Boy – Vance Jones  
 Junior Girl – Oakley Barker



## Easter Hat Parade Raffle

Easter Raffle tickets went home last week. There are 5 tickets in each booklet, and these have been given to the eldest child in the family. Tickets are \$2.00 each. **Please remember to write your name on the butt of the ticket (the part which comes back to the school).** Tickets will need to be returned by Wednesday, 9 April and will be drawn at our Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 10 April. We would love if you were able to donate to our raffle. All donations of chocolate and Easter items, big or small, can be brought into the office.



## NOTES TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL

- 21 March - JAECG T-Shirt note and deposit
- 28 March - Stage 2 Lake Cullulleraine excursion permission and deposit note
- 28 March - Newsletter Survey
- 3 April - Stage 1 Australia Post excursion permission note
- 4 April - Kindergarten excursion permission note
- 11 April - Stage 3 Ballarat & Bendigo excursion permission and deposit note

## Feeding Friends

A big shout out goes to Feeding Friends for their generous donations to our canteen. Their Facebook page has generated many donations from the community, and we thank you for supporting our school and our students.



## Term 1 Calendar 2025

<b>WK 10</b>	<u>31 Mar</u>	<u>1 Apr</u>	<u>2 Apr</u>	<u>3 Apr</u> Scripture	<u>4 Apr</u> 1/2J Assembly School Cross Country
<b>WK 11</b>	<u>7 Apr</u> P&C Meeting	<u>8 Apr</u> Kinder excursion Stage 2 & 3 Olympian visit	<u>9 Apr</u> Stage 1 excursion ANZAC Day Assembly	<u>10 Apr</u> Easter Hat Parade	<u>11 Apr</u> No Assembly Last day of Term

# T1W10

# What's on this week at Alma PS?



Stage 2 & Stage 3 Kitchen Week



**Friday-** Alma Cross Country  
Assembly 1/2 J presenting an item

### Coming Up

### Week 11-

P & C meeting  
Olympian visit  
Kindergarten excursion  
Stage 1 excursion  
ANZAC assembly  
Easter Hat Parade

### PBL

We consider others

## Term 2 Calendar 2025

<b>WK 1</b>	<u>28 Apr</u> STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	<u>29 Apr</u> STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	<u>30 Apr</u> Students return	<u>1 May</u>	<u>2 May</u>
<b>WK 2</b>	<u>5 May</u> Book Fair	<u>6 May</u> Book Fair	<u>7 May</u> Book Fair	<u>8 May</u> Book Fair	<u>9 May</u> Assembly Book Fair Mother's Day stall & morning tea

# You're invited to Alma Public School's

# Book Fair



## Week 1

All students will be involved in writing a wish list during class time

## Week 2

Library open for purchases!

- Every morning 8:30-9:00am
- Wednesday 3:00-3:30pm

MAY 5-9, 2025



## More info coming in Week 1



## CLEANERS WANTED

Joss Facility Management provides cleaning services to local Schools and other sites in this area. We are looking for local people to assist us in maintaining these sites by joining our Company as a Cleaner.

A Joss cleaner's role includes: Cleaning, stocking and supplying designated facility areas (dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc)

Joss Facility Management provide staff with a uniform, training and a supportive work environment.

We invite you to register your interest in working with Joss by sending an email to [careers@jossgroup.com.au](mailto:careers@jossgroup.com.au) or call 02 6051 1900.

Joss welcome you to visit our website [www.jossgroup.com.au](http://www.jossgroup.com.au) for further information on our Company. We look forward to welcoming some new faces to our team.

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## ORL JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE SOCIAL LEAGUE TAG REGISTRATION DAYS

Ages 5 - 17 years

**MONDAY 28 APRIL 2025,**  
3.30-4.30PM,  
Menindee Central School  
Back Oval, Menindee

**TUESDAY 29 APRIL 2025,**  
4.00PM -5.30PM,  
Lamb Oval, Broken Hill

Ensure to register on the day to receive  
your free pair of playing shorts and  
playing socks for the 2025 ORL season!



All enquiries to Poi Birtles:  
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0468 964 724






## GOOD CLEAN FUN



### SFC Auskick is Back!

Get ready to kick off the season with fun, friends, and  
footy!

Our SFC Auskick Open Training session is happening on  
Wednesday, April 2nd at 4 PM, Alma Oval – and we want  
YOU there!

-  For kids aged 5-10 – no experience needed!
-  Free sausage sizzle to keep the energy up!
-  Merch available so you can gear up in style!

**PLUS!** Register now, and each child will receive an SFC  
Auskick card with awesome kids' meal vouchers for the  
club!

