Dear Parents and Community members,

PSSA KNOCKOUTS
Last week our girls and boys basketball teams were both victorious at the PSSA Knockout, beating Burke Ward. The Alma children were fabulous to watch and their sportsmanship was outstanding. Congratulations to the teams on your wins. At the PSSA AFL Gala Day, our senior and junior teams came 3rd and 5th in their competitions. Fantastic efforts from both teams! Our senior Netball girls won their Gala Day for the second year in a row. Fantastic results! The junior netball team came 5th after a valiant effort. Well done, girls! This Friday, we have the hockey and soccer knockouts to finish off the term. Good luck to all the players.

BAD LANGUAGE AT SCHOOL
Over recent weeks, there has been a significant increase in the number of incidents involving students swearing or being abusive to other students and staff members. The sort of language and name calling that we are hearing is offensive, disrespectful in the extreme and totally inappropriate in a school setting. It is also totally inappropriate coming from children! As a result, we are re-introducing the Swearing Notification Letters. If your child is heard to be swearing or using offensive language at school, you will receive a notification by post that details exactly what was said. Continued offences can be cause for suspension.

TERM DATES
Term 3 begins for students on TUESDAY 15th July. In just the first 3 weeks of the term, we will be celebrating NAIDOC Day, participating in the Choral Festival and competing at the Barrier Athletics Carnival. We will have dietetics, speech and occupational therapy students on site through the University Rural Health partnership. There will be an intern working with KW for the term and the Stage 3 excursion to Canberra will take place. So, as you can see, it is already shaping up to be a busy and exciting term.

MID-YEAR REPORTS
On Thursday, your child will receive their mid-year report. If your child is absent and has not collected their report by Friday morning, it will be posted to you. By now, you will have received an invitation to attend a parent/teacher interview early next term. I would encourage you to take this opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with their teacher. When you receive the report you will notice that each of the key learning areas has two grades – one is an achievement rating and the other indicates the effort that your child has displayed across the semester in that subject. The effort grading will tell you whether your child has tried hard. The achievement rating indicates their current achievement against the expected levels for children in that grade across the state.
As an example, let’s consider Freddy. If Freddy receives an achievement grade of D and an effort rank of A in English – this means that while he has not reached the academic levels expected for his grade, he has consistently tried really, really hard. If Freddy gets an A for Maths with an effort rating of D, it means that he is absolutely nailing the math concepts for his grade but he is not trying very hard, or his efforts are inconsistent.
Please talk to your child’s teacher if you would like clarification of anything on the reports. I would like to wish everyone safe and happy holiday break.

Regards
Glynis Lugnan
Principal
Soccer Gala Day
Friday 27th June
Notes have been sent home. Bus will leave at 9.00am. Please make sure money & notes are returned before Thursday 26th June.
All students who are participating in the gala day please remember to bring mouthguards, shin pads, boots/sneakers, sunscreen and water. There will be a canteen operating on the day.

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Please Note: If you have a shared care arrangement and your child is not in your custody when the reports are sent home, please come to the front office to collect your copy, or contact the school on 80 882181 to make other arrangements.

Reminder...
UNIFORM SHOP
Ground Floor - G Block
Opening Hours
Monday
2:30pm – 3:15pm
Thursday
2:30pm – 3:15pm
New and Pre-loved uniforms available

Term Dates
Last day of term 2 is Friday 27th June
Term 3 Starts Tuesday 15th July

HURRY LAST CHANCE TO REDEEM 2013 Gift Vouchers
Browzer’s Gift Vouchers that were received with student awards for the 2013 Presentations Day must be redeemed by the 30th June 2014
PSSA Basketball Knockout Carnival WINNERS
Congratulations to our girl’s & boy’s teams on winning the PSSA knockout basketball carnival last Tuesday. Our school is extremely proud of you. WELL DONE!

Go Alma!

PSSA GALA DAY - NETBALL & AFL
Congratulations to our girls & boys netball and AFL teams who participated in the Gala Day last Wednesday. All teams showed great team spirit and sportsmanship and played well throughout the day. WELL DONE!

Special congratulations to the senior girls netball team who won the Red Desert Shield on the day.

Below: The Senior girls proudly display the Red Desert Shield
Bottom Right: The girls were obviously very excited with their win!

RED DESERT SHIELD WINNERS!!!
## AWARDS

The following students received awards at last assembly last week

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### Norta Norta Awards

Presented at last Friday’s assembly

Iziah Nean
Jakoda Mackiewicz
Natasha Edge
Charli Lovegrove
Shakur Johnson
Please.....

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any of your
family information
or contact details

Telephone: 8088 2181
Fax: 8087 3691

Athletics Carnival Results– Overall Champions and Runners up
Congratulations to all competitors.

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**EVENTS** | **WINNER** | **RUNNER UP**
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Senior Boys | Alex McCann | Leroy Johnson
Senior Girls | Elyscia Mackiewicz | Sammarah-Lea Williams
11 Year Boys | Trinity McKenzie-Gilby | Adam Slattery
11 Year Girls | Bianca Johnston | Jazmine Ryan
Junior Boys | B-Jay Adams | Marcus Purcell
Junior Girls | Imogen Jeffery | Ella Hosking

• Does your child have an existing or new medical condition? Has the school been notified?
• Is your child’s Asthma, Anaphylaxis or Health Care Plan up to date? Does the school have a copy of your current plan?

It is very important for your child’s health and safety that the school is informed of any changes to your child’s health and that all action plans are up to date.
Please contact the school on 80882181 if you would like more information.

Annual General Meeting
TOMORROW..
Wednesday 25th June
4.30PM G BLOCK
All Welcome
Last Alma playgroup for this term is Thursday 26th June

BOOK NOW for July 2014 School Holidays!!
The Broken Hill PCYC has a fantastic 2 week Vacation Care Program for these July school holidays for kids aged 5 - 12 years!!
For more information contact Rowena on 8087 3723 or Email rmarks@pcycnsw.org.au
We have limited spaces so don’t miss your place!

Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at School
We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students. The program will be running in Term 3 and continuing throughout the year.

Registrations Are Now Open!
If you would like your child to participate please register online via www.musicstars.com.au
Payment is not required until lessons commence in Term 3.

IMPORTANT! Registrations close at the end of Term 2. We are unable to accept registrations after this time! Limited places are available so be quick so you don’t miss out!

About Music Stars
Music Stars is Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition. We provide a wonderful opportunity for children to have quality group guitar and keyboard lessons at school.

- Group guitar and keyboard tuition (3-6 students)
- CATers for all grades & music levels
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Very Affordable! $110 per term
- 70% less than out-of-school lessons
- Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons

More Information
If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

Phone: 1300 889 179
Email: info@musicstars.com.au
Web: www.musicstars.com.au

We hope you can support this program.
Yours sincerely,
Music Stars