Dear Parents and Community Members,

What a week!!!!!

Congratulations to our girls basketball team who are the NSW State Champions. Fantastic effort and a well-deserved win. This was followed up with decisive wins by both our senior girls basketball and senior boys cricket teams at the Gala day on Friday. Our junior teams performed very well too.

The Preschool - Year 2 Athletics Carnival was run in outstanding weather, with fabulous participation from all the children and lots of parents and family members. What a wonderful event! From running races to egg and spoon contests, everyone enjoyed the activities and showed real Alma spirit.

The students not involved in the Gala Day or P-2 carnival, spent time at Lamb Oval participating in tabloid sports that included kick-ball, soccer and dodgeball. Everyone was a good sport and thoroughly enjoyed the morning out in the sun and fresh air.

Last week, the Spelling Bee was held. Two senior and two junior students were the Alma representatives. Congratulations to Brawley, Seth, Shayla and Amy for “having a go” and making Alma proud.

The P&C held another disco last week – what a fabulous evening it was. It is great to see the children getting involved and helping raise money for the school. Well done to the mums who work so hard to keep the P&C running as well as it does. The fundraising that the P&C has done over the last couple of months has meant that our basketball teams were able to travel to Bathurst, twice, resulting in our fantastic state win, at little cost to the families. Every person who bought raffle tickets, guessed how many lollies were in the jar, or who let their kids come to the discos has contributed to the basketball win. The whole school is the winner!

School finishes for the holidays at 3pm on Friday afternoon immediately after our assembly, to which you are all invited. School resumes on Tuesday 7th October for everyone following the long weekend. Mrs DeGoumois and Mrs Files will be on leave for the first four weeks of term. Miss Marsh will relieve in the Assistant Principal position and Mrs Hannigan will replace Mrs Files in the front office.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Next term is already shaping up to be a busy one!

Regards
Glynis Lugnan
Principal
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL - Term 4

Active After School is becoming very popular and a fantastic opportunity for students to learn some great skills and have fun whilst participating. Notes have been sent home today for Term 4 Active After School which will be cricket and table tennis. There are only 30 places available for offer next term and due to the number of students enrolling, you will need to fill in and return the forms to the administration office quickly to secure a place.

Gala Day

Tomorrow, Wednesday 17th September is the final Gala Day for the term. The boys will be playing basketball and the girls will be playing soccer.

Don’t forget to bring your mouth guard and shin pads.

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property bin near the administration office is overflowing. If you are missing any items of clothing for your child, please check the lost property bin. It is important to label all items of clothing, including hats, to avoid loss.

Helium balloons donated by NSW Health were released last Thursday in acknowledgement of child protection awareness.
**Alma’s Got Talent is on this Thursday!**

Students have been practising for a chance to showcase their talent in the Alma’s Got Talent competition which is on this Thursday 18th September. Come along to Kester Hall between 11.40am and 1.20pm and check out some amazing acts!

**All Welcome!**

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**Stage 2 Excursion**

Kinchega and Mutawintji National Parks

A non-refundable deposit of $40.00 is due tomorrow, Wednesday 17th September

Notes were sent home last week for the Stage 2 excursion to Kinchega and Mutawintji National Parks. Students will visit Kinchega National Park on the 16th October and Mutawintji National Park the following week on the 23rd October.

The deposit is due tomorrow, Wednesday 17th September and the final balance of $45.00 is required by Friday 10th October, which is the first week back after the coming school holidays.

*Note: Please ensure that the permission note and the non-refundable deposit of $40.00 are handed in together.*

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**Barrier PSSA 11yr Girls Age Champion**

A number of our students recently competed at the Broken Hill/Sunraysia Barrier Athletics Carnival. Bianca Johnstone won the Barrier PSSA 11Year Girls Age Champion.

*Congratulations Bianca!*

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**Bugdlie Preschool**

**OVERDUE FEES**

All overdue fees for Bugdlie Preschool **MUST be paid**. Term 3 fees are due by tomorrow, **Tuesday 16th September 2014**.

If you are unable to pay due to financial difficulty, please contact the school to make an appointment with the Principal, Glynis Lugnan.
**P-2 Sports Day**

The P-2 Sports Day was held last Friday. It was a wonderful day! Well done to everyone who participated and congratulations to all the placegetters and winning teams.

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**Julie Barrett’s Swim School at**

**SILVER CITY SWIM CLUB**

Now taking enrolments for School Holiday Swim Lessons. Students swim everyday Monday to Friday (limited spots available). Also taking enrolments for Term 4 learn to swim lessons. Fully qualified instructors catering for babies, learn to swim, pre club as well as one on one private lessons. For more information phone Julie 0411468051 juliebarrett2@bigpond.com

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You can access the Alma Public School Website on www.alma-p.schools.nsw.edu.au