Dear Parents and Community Members,

School photos were taken today. Thank you to everyone who came in full winter uniform as requested.

The Department of Education has released a revised Behaviour Code for Students which I have attached to this newsletter. It sets out the expectations for all students in the areas of respect, safety and engagement. Alma Public School staff will adjust our behaviour policy in line with the new DEC code.

There are a number of reasons why staff from Alma might ring you during the day – a child’s illness or an accident, behaviour concerns, attendance checks, change of arrangements, teacher contact regarding your child’s achievements etc. It is absolutely vital that we have up to date contact information for parents/carers and emergency contacts in case you are unavailable. If you have changed your phone number, address or preferred emergency carers please let Mrs Files know in the front office. If you have changed your domestic situation and need someone removed from or added to the contact list, please let Mrs Files know. If you have a court order regarding custody or AVO, please contact me.

You are also able to update your contact details using the Alma app which you can download for free on your iPhone, android smart phone or iPad (full instructions have been included on the last few newsletter or are available on the school website).

Congratulations to Ms Ashlee Jameson who has won a permanent teaching position at Menindee Central School. She will start her new position at the beginning of Term 3. Ashlee has been on temporary contract at Alma for several years and been a truly wonderful member of our teaching team. We all wish Ashlee the very best in her new school as we know it is a great opportunity for her.

Mr Mortimer is on leave for a couple of weeks. Mr Brad Lardner will be taking the class until Mr Mortimer returns. In Term 3, Mr Lardner will take over Miss Jameson’s class and we have advertised for a replacement to fill the Rural Area Relief position that Mr Lardner currently holds.

On Friday, Bugdlie preschool is celebrating Reconciliation Week with special guests from the local Aboriginal community. We are going to take this opportunity to officially open the new community room at Bugdlie for preschool families to utilise.

Next Monday afternoon, the teaching staff will be holding the second of their 3 hour staff development sessions from 3.15 – 6.15 pm. We will be looking at the final session of Child Protection mandatory training and numeracy training for TEN and TOWN. During the week, approx. a dozen staff members finished an online training course in behaviour management with Mrs Wilson. This is a ten hour course over a full term and was completed in teachers own time.

Have a great week.

Regards Glynis Lugnan

Principal
**Attendance 'Matters'**

**Daily Total Student Absence**

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**What’s on this term!**

**May**
- Friday 29th
  - Murray Darling Cross Country

**June**
- Tuesday 9th
  - Ghana Beats
- Wednesday 10th
  - NAIDOC Day
- Friday 19th
  - Gala Day
  - Soccer, Netball
- Tuesday 23rd
  - Semester 2 Reports sent home
- Wednesday 24th
  - Gala Day - AFL, Hockey
- Thursday 25th
  - Athletics Carnival
- Friday 25th
  - Athletics - Field Events
  - End of Term 2

**Stage 2**

**Expression of Interest to Lake Cullulleraine**

Expression of interest notes for Lake Cullulleraine are due this **FRIDAY 29th May**.
Please hand your notes to your class teacher or the front office.

**Don't forget...**

Student Banking will be collected by the P&C under the COLA From 8.30am-9.00am Wednesdays.

Children who use the school banking will receive an entry into a draw to win a prize at the end of the term.

**Ghana Beat My Drum**

Will be held on **Tuesday 9th June at 10.00 am**.
Cost: $3.00 Per child.
Money for each child must be handed to their class teacher, with the CORRECT money in the envelope provided by **MONDAY 1st June 2015**.

**Uniforms**
The P & C have kindly donated these great uniforms for our basketball and soccer teams.

**End of Term 2**

Semester one reports will be sent home this term so please make sure your mailing details are up to date!
Out and about at Alma School!

The students of Alma Public School enjoy many activities in the garden.
Fire & Rescue NSW is hosting its annual Fire Station Open Day on Saturday 30th May 2015 between 10.00am and 2.00pm. Children and their parents are invited to watch fire safety demonstrations, hop aboard our station’s fire truck, hold a fire hose and chat with firefighters about what they do. This is a fantastic opportunity for children and their parents to meet their local firefighters and with winter just around the corner, which is the worst time of year for house fires, this is a great opportunity to learn as much as you can about fire safety. Visit www.fire.nsw.gov.au to find your nearest 2015 Open Day participating fire station and join us on Saturday 30th May 2015.

P&C BOTTLES & CANS RECYCLING
The P&C are recycling bottles and cans. If you have any bottles or cans lying around, please bring them to school and place in the recycling bags in the garden area. Money raised by recycling will help boost the P&C fundraising target.

PEDAL playgroup @ ALMA
Time: Every second Thursday from 9AM – 10.45am
Venue: ALMA Primary School, Broken Hill, G Block
Dates: Thursday 30th April, 14th & 28th May Thursday 11th & 25th June 2015

PEDAL stands for Play, Explore, Discover And Learn. PEDAL groups are open to all families with children aged 0-5. Play stimulates learning. It helps children gain a strong sense of identity, connectedness and well-being while becoming confident learners and effective communicators. At PEDAL group play experiences are set up in a way that children choose activities and explore and use resources while being guided by their imagination and creativity. Parents are encouraged to join into their child’s play.

What do you need to do? Come in play clothes; Provide a piece of fruit for a shared fruit platter at morning tea time; Recycle and contribute resources (bottle lids, egg cartons, boxes); Help out when you can (i.e. with preparation of morning tea, pack up).

Upon arrival sign in
For more information: Phone or visit the team at CentaCare Wilcannia-Forbes
1/261 Argent Street PO Box 159 Broken Hill NSW 2880
Phone. 08 8087 3477, Fax. 08 8087 2387

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

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