Dear Parents and Community Members,

Harmony Day was celebrated yesterday with all classes learning something about at least two different cultures. Kindergarten learned about Germany and Nepal (where Miss Edgar and Miss Green taught for 6 months). Stage 1 travelled to Mexico, India and Kenya. Stage 2 yodelled their way through Switzerland, Indonesia and Fiji while Stage 3 crossed the Pacific to New Zealand and then Japan. It was a terrific afternoon and all the students enjoyed the range of activities from dancing, singing, craft, learning some language, making puppets and colouring flags. Our gold coin collection raised $166.00.

Many thanks to Ron Butcher who spent a considerable part of yesterday repairing our portable soccer goals. We really appreciate the time and support you give us. Apologies for the incorrect date on the Bronze certificates handed out on Friday. They still had 2015 on them. This has been corrected and replacements have been handed out today with the newsletter.

Thank you to the Jozanovic family for the 90 eggs they donated to the school. We have distributed them to the P&C to use in the cake making for the Easter Hat Parade cake sale and sent some to our Kitchen. Fantastic! They are *eggxactly* what we needed.

The corner of Comstock and Boughtman Streets has 2 pedestrian crossings on it. It is in the 40 km school zone. Unfortunately, because the crossings are not directly in front of the school and Boughtman St doesn’t have a give way sign, some drivers don’t slow down, nor do they wait until children are off the crossing before they drive through. I have had talks with the RTA and we have applied to have additional flashing lights placed in Boughtman St and to have the crossings repainted so they are very visible. Please consider the unpredictability of children when driving near the school – children don’t have the hearing or sight that adults have, nor the safety instincts, so adults have to do it for them. Slow down, keep your eyes open and help keep our kids safe.

The Easter disco for all children Preschool to Year 6 will run on Wednesday night from 5.00pm – 7.00pm. Please note: $2.00 entry fee. Children must be collected by an adult. Only students enrolled at Alma are allowed to attend. Food and drinks will be on sale by the P&C.

It’s not too late to donate an Easter egg for our P&C raffle, to be drawn on Thursday, or to buy a raffle ticket or two.

Friday and next Monday are public holidays for the Easter celebrations. Whatever Easter means to you, I hope you enjoy the time with your families. To those families who have been affected by the recent job cuts, our thoughts are with you. Please don’t hesitate to contact me if there is anything we can do to support you.

Regards
Glynis Lugnan
Principal
Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly last week.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**
- Sophie Evans 1-2A
- Bryton Lines 1-2A
- Daniel McIntyre 1-2A
- Jackson Cowdrey 1-2R
- Zahria Hoskins 1-2R
- Kaitlin Smith 1-2R
- Cleo Kubiak 1-2S
- Piper Spencer 1-2S
- Will Stephens 1-2S
- Adrianna Benedetti 3-4B
- Maddison Harrap 3-4B
- Jesse Manoel 3-4B
- Jackson Bendall 3-4J
- Monique Daddow 3-4J
- Cobe Hoskins 3-4J
- Maddison Hocking 3-4R
- Grace Payne 3-4R
- Gordharna Wallace 3-4R
- Jorja Bray 5-6A
- Ella Knowles 5-6A
- Jaylen Wallace 5-6A
- Dakotah Daddow 5-6S
- Callab Everuss 5-6S
- Imogen Jeffery 5-6S
- Imogen Cullen KJ
- Eileen Newman KJ
- Jade O’Neil KJ
- Ramsey Hendry KK
- Nahla Sparrow KK
- Dakota Staker KK
- Lily Watts KK
- Amelia Wells KK
- Matilda Balock 1-2A
- Evie Blore 1-2A
- Lucas Delbridge 1-2A
- Sophie Evans 1-2A
- Skey Fry 1-2A
- Janaya Haring 1-2A
- Zoey Harvey 1-2A
- Ellie-Mae Hough-Wedding 1-2A
- Daniel McIntyre 1-2A
- Tayah Pelgrave 1-2A
- Emily Roberts 1-2A
- Codey Staker 1-2A
- Talitah Weribone 1-2A
- Luke Wren 1-2A
- Ella Fitzgerald 1-2R
- Violet Groves 1-2R
- Isobella Hamilton-Frizzell 1-2R
- Zahria Hoskins 1-2R
- Ruby Manoel 1-2R
- Kacey Nicholls 1-2R
- Kaitlin Smith 1-2R
- Laylah Westley 1-2R
- Jagg Banning 1-2S
- Kaley Bugmy 1-2S
- Peyton Burns 1-2S
- Jordyn Chapman-Henderson 1-2S
- Chloe Daddow 1-2S
- Saxon Locke 1-2S
- Rusty O’Neil 1-2S
- Piper Spencer 1-2S
- Will Stephens 1-2S
- Kalistar Thomas 1-2S
- Tarkyn Williams 1-2S
- Kaylee Adams 3-4B
- Adrianna Benedetti 3-4B
- Amity Bray 3-4B
- Thomas Casey 3-4B
- Bella-Jade Edge 3-4B
- Maddison Harrap 3-4B
- Blade Harvey 3-4B
- Ell-Jai Harvey 3-4B
- Shaylan James 3-4B
- Tyler Kermaghan 3-4B
- Jesse Manoel 3-4B
- Joshua McIntyre 3-4B
- Tiara Noel 3-4B
- Abbey Pinnuck 3-4B
- Max Roberts 3-4B
- Margaret Swan 3-4B
- Reece Butcher 3-4J
- Millie Dalwood 3-4J
- Aisha Dodiame 3-4J
- Rihannah Everett 3-4J
- Tayla Hocking 3-4J
- Ella Howse 3-4J
- M J King 3-4J
- Lilly-Grace Lawn 3-4J
- Blade McConnell 3-4J
- Cecelia Noel 3-4J
- Siarne Olds-Kemp 3-4J
- Lila Parker 3-4J
- Lillee Pike 3-4J
- Savannah Wheatley 3-4J
- Elley-May Adams 3-4R
- Cameron Burrell 3-4R
- Teneal Butcher 3-4R
- Bryce Delbridge 3-4R
- Kaitlyn Dumbleton 3-4R
- Tempany Ferguson 3-4R
- Maddison Hocking 3-4R
- Jakoda Mackiewicz 3-4R
- Grace Payne 3-4R
- Clare Slattery 3-4R
- Nate Sparrow 3-4R
- Sadie Thornton 3-4R
- Ella Williams 3-4R

**What’s on this term!**

**March**
- Wednesday 23rd
  - Easter Disco
- Thursday 24th
  - Easter Parade
- Friday 25th
  - Public Holiday
- Monday 28th
  - Public Holiday

**April**
- Friday 1st
  - Rugby Gala Day
  - Assembly
- Friday 8th
  - End of term 1
Last week all classes started collecting 5c pieces as a fundraiser for our Stage 2 & 3 excursions. We will collect the coins until the end of Term 1. Each class will have a jar in their classroom.

On the 8th April, we will make a 5c design on the playground. The class with the most 5c pieces will receive a prize from the P&C.

So start looking around your house, in your pockets and other places 5c pieces tend to hide.
If you would like your child to participate in any of these competitions:

- Complete the form below and place it inside an envelope with the correct money.
- Mark the envelope with: University Competition: Student’s Name and Class and return to your child’s class teacher.

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NSW University Competition

I would like my child ______________________ of class ________________ to participate in the University of New South Wales Competition(s) in (Please tick):

Mathematics  Spelling  English  Digital Technologies  Science  Writing

Enclosed is payment of $___________________

Signed ____________________________________  Date ______________