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Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2 Monday 5 May 2025

Visit our website: www.alma-p.schools.nsw.gov.au or download the Sentral for Parent Portal through the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market

You're invited to Alma Public School's Book Fair

Week 1

- Students browse the Book Fair and write a Wish List in class

Week 2

Library open for purchases!

- Class library time
- All week 8:30–9:00am
- Wednesday 3:00–3:30pm

See you at the library!

MAY 5–9, 2025



Cash or card payments in Library



Online payments via QR Code on Wish List

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From the Relieving Principal

We have had a great start to the term with both students and teachers back and eager to learn. Our teachers were involved in two days of learning about how to further support and identify high potential in all students and are ready to implement some of these strategies.



I will be out of the school until Friday at the Rural South and West Conference in Sydney. Hannah Schultz will be in charge while I am away.

Staffing

I have included a message from Trish Webb about a blue opportunity she will be taking on in Term 2, I have told the kids we will have to yell extra loud for her to hear that Alma is still the best school in Broken Hill. She just can't seem to settle into retirement!

Katie Bassett-White has taken up a position in Early learning until Term 4. Andree Morgan will now be Team Leader of Kinder and Preschool. Andree will also be the classroom teacher for Session 2. Jessie Edgar will be relieving as Stage 1 supervisor until Ben Colmer returns in week 6. Angela Patterson (Mr Colmer's wife) will be working in Stage 1 to support students.

We also welcome Prac teachers, Finn Taylor (3/4A) and Nash Mitchell (1/2K) to Alma this term. We are lucky to have some extra teachers on the ground!

Photos

Our school photos will be held next week on Wednesday for K-6 and Session 1 of preschool on the main site. Session 2 will have their photos at on Thursday 15th May at Bugdlie in the afternoon. Please check Facebook for updates regarding sibling photograph times.

HPGE - Special Interest Groups

In week 3, we will be starting HPGE groups for years 1-6 on Fridays from 2pm every fortnight opposite to assembly. Kindergarten will be using this time to engage in some play-based learning and will join us in Term 3. Students have selected to be involved activities such as astronomy, teams sport, photography, art, dance and Glee club for this term. We will also be looking forward for parent helpers and volunteers to come and share their skills in Term 3 so let us know if there is something special you can help with.

Message to the Alma School Community from Mrs Webb

Welcome back to Term 2!!

I hope everyone had a great school break and the kids were up and Adam this morning excited to be returning to school.

While I had made the decision to transition to retirement (again!) the universe thought differently. Some of you may have already heard through the Broken Hill grapevine that I have agreed to head north for a short while. Yes I am taking the lead at Broken Hill North Public School while their principal is on leave.

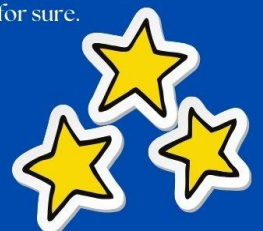
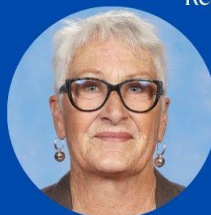
While my heart will always be with Alma, I have a passion for all kids and schools Broken Hill, and could not say no to helping North Public School out. They are a great staff just like Alma's and I look forward to working with them all over the next few weeks.

Alma is in great shape and hands so please keep supporting the awesome school that it is.

Now I need to go and see if I have any blue in my wardrobe!!

Keep smiling - I will see you all around for sure.

Trish Webb

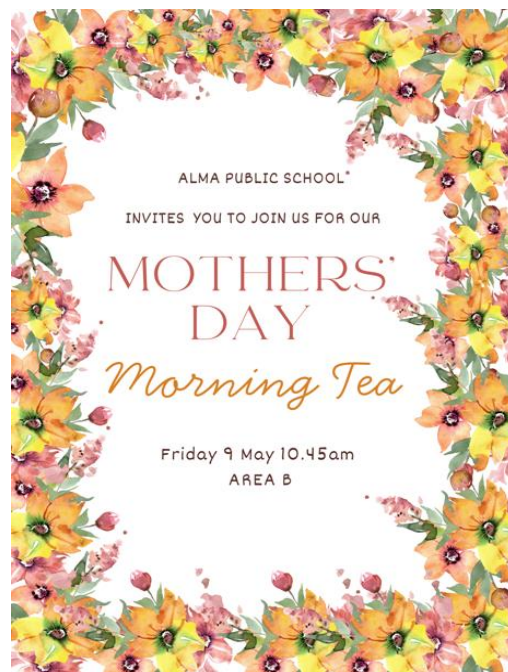


Ngayi Alma, we start our week of learning by acknowledging the Wilyakali people. The Wilyakali people are the traditional owners of the land we are on today. On behalf of Alma Public School, we remember Wilyakali people from the past, present and emerging. Their country, our country and our School. We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

Mother's Day Morning Tea and P&C Stall

Our annual Mother's Day morning tea will be held this Friday 9 May 11.45am in Area B. Please RSVP to the front office by Wednesday 8 May for catering.

The Alma P and C will be holding a Mother's Day stall on Friday 9 May from 9am-12pm. Students can purchase gifts for their special person. Gifts will start from \$1 - \$10. Cash only.



Excursions

Stage 2 will be heading off on their excursion to Lake Cullulleraine and Mildura in week 8 Wednesday 18 June until Friday 20 June. Full payment for this excursion \$230 is to be paid by Friday 13 June or by following the payment plan. More information will be sent home to families in the coming weeks.

Instalment 1 11 April \$40.00	Instalment 2 2 May \$40.00	Instalment 3 16 May \$40.00	Instalment 4 30 May \$40.00	Instalment 5 13 June \$40.00
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The Stage 3 excursion to Ballart and Bendigo is in Term 3 Week 7, Monday 1 September - Friday 5 September.

If your child has not returned an expression of interest permission note and is still wanting to attend. Please contact the office as there are still spots available. The total cost of this excursion is \$440. Payment is to be paid in full by Friday 22 August or by following the payment plan.

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Instalment 5 27 June \$50.00	Instalment 6 25 July \$50.00	Instalment 7 8 August \$50.00	Instalment 8 22 August \$50.00

PBL Focus Week 2
We Consider Others

Alma Public School

School Photo Day

Wednesday 14th May

**Envelopes have been sent home for school photos
with important information on how to order.**

**Note: Each student must hand in their own completed envelope
(even if payment is enclosed in a sibling's envelope)**

ONLINE ORDERS (preferred)

Completed envelopes as per online ordering instructions MUST be returned to the photographer on the day.

CASH

Place the CORRECT money in the envelope – NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN.
Completed envelopes as per instructions MUST be returned to the photographer on the day.

SIBLING PHOTOS

CASH - Envelopes are available from the front office.

Place the CORRECT money in the envelope – NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN.
Completed envelopes as per instructions MUST be returned to the photographer on the day.

ONLINE - Online Sibling orders close Monday 12th May.

Online sibling orders DO NOT require an envelope

IMPORTANT!

Students having SIBLING PHOTOS will need to be at Kester Hall at 8.30am

**Students are required to wear
full WINTER UNIFORM**

Uniforms are available for purchase from the front office



Broken Hill Public Schools are proud to present Pulse Broken Hill with help from the NSW DoE Arts Unit.

Tickets for Pulse Broken Hill will be sold through the Broken Hill Civic Centre box office.

Pulse Broken Hill 2025

Thursday 22 May 2025, 5:00 PM

Tickets can be purchased in the following ways:

Phone: ringing the Civic Centre Box Office Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Ph: 08 8080 3575.

Online: visit the following link anytime to purchase online <https://bit.ly/PulseBH2025>

Visitor Information Centre: in-person, cash or card sales at the Visitor Information Centre, 23-27 Bromide St, Broken Hill

Open Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Pricing

Adult: \$8.00 Child (12 and under): \$5.00

Children under 2 years of age are admitted free with a paying adult. 'Child Under 2' tickets must be booked by calling the Box Office on 08 8080 3575.

TERM 2 SCHOOL ASSEMBLY ROSTER

FRIDAYS 2PM KESTER HALL

WEEK 1 No Assembly	WEEK 2 1/2K	WEEK 3 No Assembly
WEEK 4 5/6G	WEEK 5 No Assembly	WEEK 6 3/4A
WEEK 7 No Assembly	WEEK 8 3/4M	WEEK 9 No Assembly
WEEK 10 Choir		

NOTES TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL AND PAYMENTS

- Stage 3 Reconciliation Note
- K-2 and 3-6 Pulse Permission note
- Year 6 T-Shirt payments \$37
- Stage 2 excursion Lake Cullulleraine and Mildura payments \$230
- Stage 3 excursion Ballart and Benigo Payment \$440

Term 2 Calendar 2025

Week 1	<u>Monday 28 April</u> STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	<u>Tuesday 29 April</u> STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	<u>Wednesday 30 April</u> Students return	<u>Thursday 1 May</u>	<u>Friday 2 May</u>
Week 2	<u>Monday 5 May</u> Book Fair P&C Meeting	<u>Tuesday 6 May</u> Book Fair	<u>Wednesday 7 May</u> Book Fair	<u>Thursday 8 May</u> Book Fair Auskick Clinic	<u>Friday 9 May</u> Assembly 1/2K Book Fair Mother's Day stall & morning tea
Week 3	<u>Monday 12 May</u>	<u>Tuesday 13 May</u>	<u>Wednesday 14 May</u> School Photos	<u>Thursday 15 May</u> Bugdlie School Photos	<u>Friday 16 May</u> Walk safely to school day
Week 4	<u>Monday 19 May</u> Broken Hill Cross Country	<u>Tuesday 20 May</u> Pulse K-2 Pulse 3-6	<u>Wednesday 21 May</u> Pulse 3-6	<u>Thursday 22 May</u> Pulse 3-6	<u>Friday 23 May</u>
Week 5	<u>Monday 26 May</u>	<u>Tuesday 27 May</u>	<u>Wednesday 28 May</u> Stage 2 Excursion Eddie woo Stage 3 Reconciliation March	<u>Thursday 29 May</u> Reconciliation Day	<u>Friday 30 May</u> Barrier Cross Country
Week 6	<u>Monday 2 June</u>	<u>Tuesday 3 June</u>	<u>Wednesday 4 June</u>	<u>Thursday 5 June</u> World Environment Day	<u>Friday 6 June</u>
Week 7	<u>Monday 9 June</u> Public Holiday NO SCHOOL	<u>Tuesday 10 June</u>	<u>Wednesday 11 June</u>	<u>Thursday 12 June</u>	<u>Friday 13 June</u> Stage 2 Excursion to be paid in full \$230
Week 8	<u>Monday 16 June</u>	<u>Tuesday 17 June</u>	<u>Wednesday 18 June</u> Stage 2 Excursion	<u>Thursday 19 June</u> Stage 2 Excursion	<u>Friday 20 June</u> Stage 2 Excursion
Week 9	<u>Monday 23 June</u> Reports get sent home Parent Teacher Interviews	<u>Tuesday 24 June</u> Alma Athletics Carnival	<u>Wednesday 25 June</u> Parent Teacher Interviews	<u>Thursday 26 June</u> Parent Teacher Interviews	<u>Friday 27 June</u>
Week 10	<u>Monday 30 June</u> Parent Teacher Interviews	<u>Tuesday 1 July</u> Gala Day Boys- AFL <u>Girls- Soccer</u>	<u>Wednesday 2 July</u> Parent Teacher Interviews Gala Day Boys- Soccer Girls-AFL	<u>Thursday 3 July</u> Parent Teacher Interviews	<u>Friday 4 July</u> LAST DAY OF TERM 2

Download the Parents App!

The Sentral for Parents app allows you to monitor your child's school journey simply and efficiently. You will find numerous smart features that help streamline your day.

Receive messages and notifications, Student reports, absences, make payments for school activities, excursions and online canteen ordering.

The Sentral for Parents app helps you stay connected and informed about your child's education.

Please contact the office if you are not connected to be given your access key.



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StudentPayPlus is Sentral's convenient self-service online ordering system for canteens and much more!

It's the hassle-free ordering and cashless payment experience that allows parents to order school canteen meals from the comfort of their home, office or on the go!

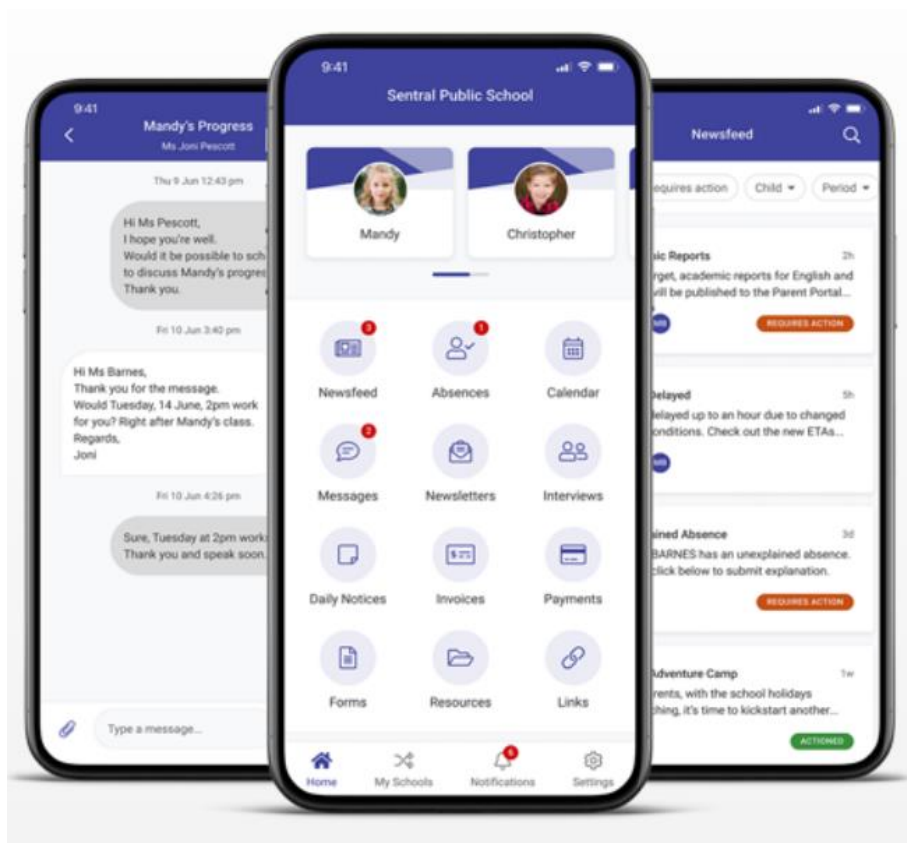
Easy to use and secure!

- + **Conveniently accessible:** Accessible via the Sentral for Parents App (iPhone or Android) or through your phone/desktop browser.
- + **Cashless payments on the go:** Convenient reorder and scheduling functionality, allowing parents to reorder their child's favourite canteen order.
- + **Easy money management:** Parents can view past payments and purchases, and even set up auto top-ups to their child's StudentPayPlus wallet when needed.
- + **Hassle-free and ready for orders:** No more admin around class setups. StudentPayPlus takes advantage of Sentral's class information so that parents are ready to order hassle-free every year.



Try StudentPayPlus today!

Start your StudentPayPlus ordering experience today! For the best experience we recommend that you access StudentPayPlus through the Sentral for Parents App. Alternatively you can log into the Sentral for Parents Portal or through www.studentpayplus.com.au.



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Great news! We now have
StudentPayPlus at our school.

Ordering canteen meals has never been easier!



Community News


Wide Desert Listening is a soulful and immersive performance that celebrates the rich cultural threads woven through Broken Hill — from First Nations songlines to the texts and stories carried across the desert by the early cameleers.

The evening will feature:


- **Farhan Shah & Sufi Oz** – electrifying Contemporary Sufi Qawwali Fusion with a world-class ensemble
- **Leroy Johnson & Friends** – powerful campfire ballads and Barkindji stories of Country

Event details:

 Friday, May 9

 7:00 PM

 Broken Hill Civic Centre

 Tickets: \$10.50 concession | \$21 adult | \$53 family (2 adults + 2 children)

Tickets available from the Broken Hill Civic Centre. see link below:

<https://www.brokenhill.nsw.gov.au/Community/Events-Calendar/Wide-Desert-Listening-Fahan-Shah-and-Sufi-Oz-with-Leroy-Johnson-and-Friends>



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