



# ALMA NEWS



ALMA SCHOOL  
NPO 001-427

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## Well done

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to Rikus Van Zyl from Group 18!! Rikus was chosen for the South African Cricket team who will take on India during a tournament taking place here in Pretoria from 29 June to 6 July.

Rikus is a member at the Stand-Up Cricket Club—a club for disabled children affiliated with *Northerns Cricket Union*. The Stand-Up Cricket club was founded in 2003 and consists of 3 teams and approximately 150 members.

The tournament will take place daily from 10h00 starting on Monday, 30 June until Saturday, 5 July and will be held at Aloe Park in Pretoria West.

We are very proud of you Rikus!!!



## Easter Eggs

The South African Cake Decorating Guild (SAKVG)-Jacaranda branch again made the Alma learners smile when they brought Easter eggs for each learner on 16 April—just in time for the Easter weekend.

These Easter eggs are not your ordinary eggs that you buy in the shops! Each learner received a specially decorated egg which was transformed into the cutest little creatures. The amount of time and love that went into the making of each egg can not be described in words!

The variety was just too big and the children could not decide which one to choose, but at the end of the day each learner proudly went

home with his/her favorite Easter egg.

The SAKVG Jacaranda branch will celebrate their 21st birthday in September.

Thank you to each and every member who made one of these special Easter eggs for us!



# Important dates

Please note: Alma School will be closed next week.

- ⇒ **28 April**—Public Holiday
- ⇒ **29 & 30 April**—School holiday
- ⇒ **1 May**—Workers' Day
- ⇒ **2 May**—School holiday

And also

- ⇒ **7 May**—Voting day

**School closed**

The school closes @ 10h30 on Friday, 25 April



**Fun!! Fun!! Fun!!**

- ⇒ **9 May - BUDDY BUDDY DAY** at Alma School
- ⇒ **16 May - KLEIN KLITSIES DAY** at Alma School

## Buddy-Buddy Day – 9 May 2014



On the 9th of May it will be our annual Buddy Buddy Day here at Alma School – a fun day where learners from local schools visit Alma to take part in fun activities with Alma learners.

The main objective of Buddy Buddy Day is to raise awareness of children with disabilities and enable other learners to experience some of the challenges that children with disabilities face on a daily basis.

We handed out a sponsorship form to each learner. Please also help us to raise funds for this project. All forms must be returned to school by the end of May.

Klein Klitsies Day, which will be held one week later on the 16th of May, is our Buddy Buddy Day for our younger learners—Grade RR & R's from surrounding primary schools / nursery schools.

### Wheelchair pushers of the week!



**Kevin  
Kruger**  
Group 21

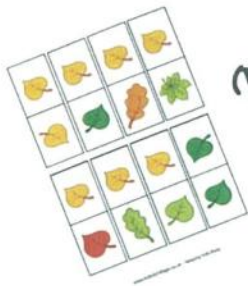
**Congratulations!**

**Jacobus Nel**  
Group 15



# The Therapy Box

(Visual Perception—Part 5)



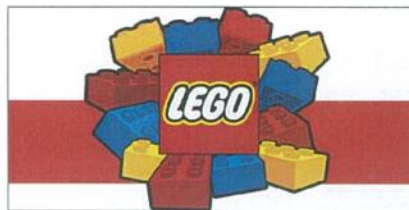
## 6. Form Constancy

### Games/Activities:

- Picture Dominos;
- Shapes & Colours (Creative Toys) games.

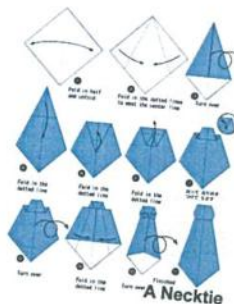
### A child with form constancy problems may have difficulty with:

- Building Lego from the instructions;
- Recognizing that a picture is the same as a real object;
- Judging size, height, width, distance;
- Recognizing everyday objects when put in unusual positions or are a different size;
- Mislaying items and being unable to find them, as they cannot instantly recognize them;
- Recognizing / reading the same word in different fonts, typefaces etc.;
- Transferring from printed to cursive handwriting .

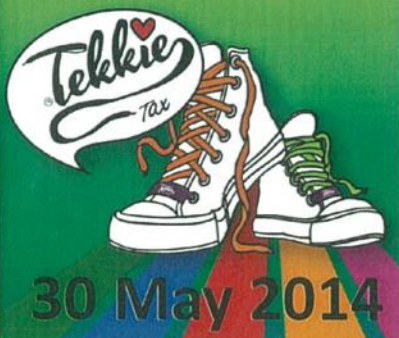


### Activities to help:

- ⇒ Copy 3D patterns and shapes e.g. brick designs or origami;
- ⇒ Match a real object to a picture;
- ⇒ Make junk models / model making;
- ⇒ Take a shape from a sorting box and place it at a distance in the room. The child must find the same shape from the box;
- ⇒ From a box of mixed sized balls, roll one across the floor. The child has to select the same sized ball from the box;
- ⇒ Write the same word in many styles, colours and prints together with other words. The child should underline the same word in its different forms;
- ⇒ Outlining jigsaws enable a child to see how individual parts fit together to make a whole;
- ⇒ Make shapes with match sticks.



Remember!



Buy your Sticker (R10) or  
Shoe lace set (R30) from Alma School!

### PERSONNEL BIRTHDAYS:

- Lochner Oberholster — 25 April
- Abraham Matlala— 3 May
- Luzanie Wood—9 May
- Marietjie Hopley—17 May (Group 3)
- Kgomotso Radise—19 May
- Eugene Mposhomali—20 May (Group 13)
- Teacher Marietha Malan—21 May (Group 1)



### VENUE FOR HIRE

The following areas are available for function hire:

- The school hall and kitchen
- Picnic area and kitchen
- Lapa (Tea Garden) and kitchen
- Junior Play area for children's parties



Please contact the office for further information and bookings.

### TRANSPORT AVAILABLE

**AREAS :** Pretoria Gardens, Les Marais, Sinoville, Annlin, Doornpoort, Montana, Magalieskruin, Wonderboom

**Contact :** Edna Venter

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### ALMA TEA GARDEN AND SHOP

**Fridays from 09h30 tot 11h30**

Please support our tea garden at the school. Tasty treats are prepared and served by our learners.

*We prefer that you book beforehand.*

### ALMA SCHOOL WINTER UNIFORM:

#### JUNIOR PHASE (Groups 4-9)

#### & INTERMEDIATE PHASE

- Girls:**
- \* Alma school golf shirt with navy blue long sleeve t-shirt underneath
  - \* Grey school skirt (with grey pantyhose/tights)
  - Or
  - \* Grey school long trousers (with long grey school socks)
  - \* Black school shoes
  - \* Navy blue pullover and/or navy blue Drimac

- Boys:**
- \* Alma school golf shirt with navy blue long sleeve t-shirt underneath
  - \* Grey school long trousers
  - \* Grey school long socks
  - \* Black school shoes
  - \* Navy blue pullover and/or navy blue Drimac

#### SCHOOL-TO-WORK PHASE

#### BOYS & GIRLS:

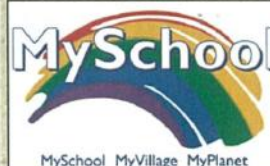
- \* Alma school golf shirt with navy blue long sleeve t-shirt underneath
- \* Denim
- \* Navy blue or grey socks
- \* Black school shoes or tekkies
- \* Navy blue pullover and/or navy blue Drimac



**School golf shirts and Drimacs are available in the office. Everything else is available at PEP, ACKERMANS, JET, EDGARS or WOOLWORTHS.**

Please remember to use your card!  
Each transaction is to Alma School's advantage!

If you do not have a My School or Makro card that is connected to Alma School, please contact the office for application forms.



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