



# ALMA NEWS



## PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

- The school closes on 28 March @ 11h00
- The school opens on 7 April

**ALMA SCHOOL  
NPO 001-427**

**News Letter Nr. 6  
20 March 2014**

# VERY IMPORTANT

## ALL PARENTS

**We urgently need the following information:**

**It is VERY important that the school are aware of all diagnoses that your child may have. Should you receive or have received any documentation regarding your child diagnoses from the doctor/clinic/hospital, please send copies of these documents to school as soon as possible.**

**Please also remember to send any old documentation that you may have received in the past to school as soon as possible.**

**Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.**



## Alma School General Information

Please take note of the following arrangements:

- ⇒ **School hours:**
  - \* School starts @ 08h00 and tuition classes adjourn @ 13h00.
  - \* Parents pick up their children only between 13h00 and 13h30 at the class.
  - \* Parents who pick up children earlier must report to the office.
  - \* After 13h30 all children will wait at the bus area. Parents can then meet their children there in stead of in the classes.
- ⇒ **In the mornings:** Please take your child to the specific class assistant in class. We also ask that parents who take their children to class, do not linger in class.
- ⇒ Please make an appointment with the teacher should you need to speak to him/her.
- ⇒ Our school does not have aftercare facilities. Should you need aftercare for your child, please make private arrangements. Hettie Botha from Angels Hotel is available at 071 588 4181 should you need to make contact with her.
- ⇒ **Medication at school:** Sister Priscilla will not be able to give any medication without a copy of the prescription. Please remember to send a copy of the prescription each time your child goes to the doctor or clinic.



## INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS



Please take note that the envelopes for ordering photos have been sent out.

All photo orders must be done through the school:

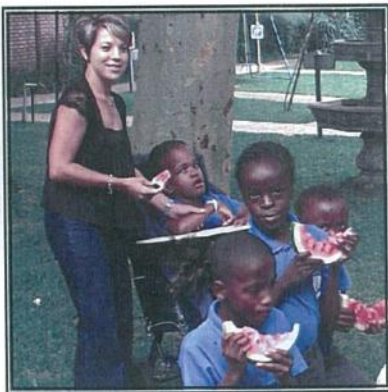
- Complete your child's name and surname & your contact number on the envelope;
- Choose the package and/or single item(s) that you want to order and clearly mark it on the envelope;
- Please make sure that you put the correct amount of money in the envelope and send it back to school as soon as possible and no later than 9 April 2014

Some parents already placed their orders, thank you for your quick response!

### **Welcome to our new Teacher in the Junior Phase**

Teacher Talita Kaufmann is our new teacher in Group 6 as Teacher Debbie is currently our acting Deputy Principal.

Teacher Talita was previously at Laerskool Mayville. She is a fun loving and caring teacher who loves our kids very much!



The Alma Festival is something of the past, but to our delight, we still received loads of collection lists back from the learners. We would like to thank each and every learner and parent who worked very hard to collect money on the lists, in order to raise more money for the Festival. Every R1 filled up the bucket!

We want to say a special thank you to the following learners who really went out of their way to raise lots of money on the lists. We will present their prizes to them on Monday, 24 March, during hall assembly.

The winners are as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> place	<b>Cassie Klopper</b>	Gr. 10	R400
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	<b>Benjamin Smith</b>	Gr. 1	R350
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	<b>Lara Smith</b>	Gr. 1	R350
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	<b>Nina Pretorius</b>	Gr. 9	R335
4 <sup>th</sup> place	<b>Corné Taljard</b>	Gr. 15	R320
5 <sup>th</sup> place	<b>Nikki Van Schalkwyk</b>	Gr. 5	R309

You are all stars!



### **Wheelchair pushers and helpers of the week!**



Kea Leballo  
Group 15



Marelize Greyling  
Group 20



Jethro De Wit  
Group 12



Sylvester Mokiti  
Group 15



Sentle Monageng  
Group 15



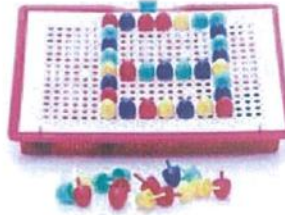
# The Therapy Box

## Visual perceptual skills - Part 3

### 4. Sequencing

#### Games/Activities:

- Lacing beads
- Peg board Set
- Sequencing Puzzles
- Building 3-Letter Words



#### A child with sequencing problems may have difficulty with:

- Reading, Spelling and making notes
- Recalling the sequence or steps of a task or a practical demonstration
- Copying correctly from a book/board
- Attention and concentration.

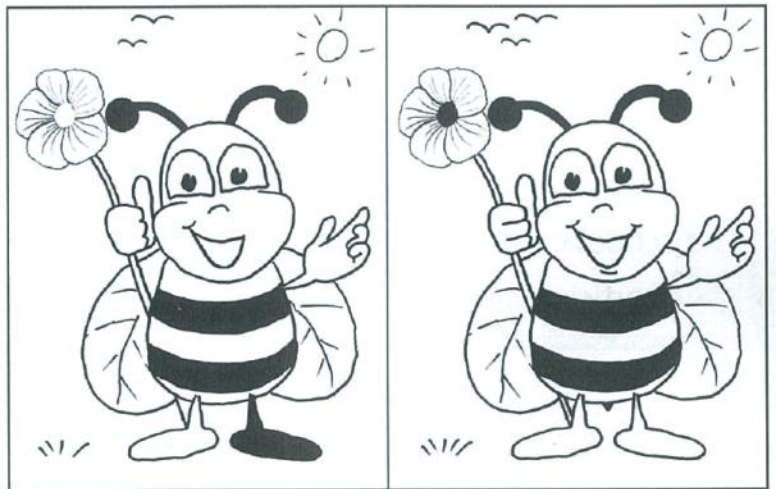
#### Activities to help:

- Word searches
- Spot the difference
- Copying movements or body sequences
- Threading beads in a colour or shape sequence
- Discussing the day's events or holidays.
- Circle the correct spelling... e.g. spih ship sihp or house heous hoeus
- Show a row of toys or objects to your child. Muddle them up and ask your child to put them back into the right order. Start with 2/3 items and as they improve, add another one.
- Using a peg board and coloured pegs, arrange a two colour repetitive sequence e.g. red, green, red, green. Cover the sequence and ask your child what comes next.
- Sequencing games that increase the movements to be copied:

E.g. bounce the ball

bounce the ball and clap

bounce the ball, clap then jump.



#### ***Ideas to compensate for a sequential memory difficulty***

1. Encourage your child to look for patterns or groups when remembering a sequence e.g. when remembering numbers (17842036) instead of recalling each individual digit, remember : 17,84,20,36 or 1784, 2036.
2. Emphasize visualization. Encourage your child to look at a word, trace it in the air, write it and say it.



### PERSONNEL BIRTHDAYS

Germina Makwela — 29 March (Group 10)  
Georginah Madiba — 31 March (Group 14)  
Teacher Marinda — 6 April (Group 19)  
Samson Mokoena — 6 April (Bus Driver)



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

All Parents,

We would like to invite you to attend the Parents Day to discuss your child's program.

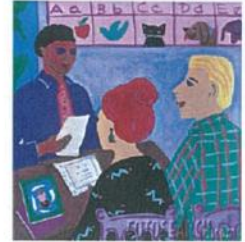
It is very important for you to attend as your child's progress report will be handed to you and discussed by the teacher.

**Venue:** Your child's class

**Date:** Thursday, 27 March 2014

**Time:** As per appointment from 14:00 to 17:30

**Parents are requested to make an appointment with the class teacher. Please complete the letter in the contact book regarding the parents day.**



The school sister will also be available in her office until 17h30.

Your participation in this regard is important and beneficial for your child and the school.

### 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.**