

### Newsletter

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## **ALMA SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS**

# **Important Dates:**

23 January - Parents info evening

❖ 1 February - Tea Garden

❖ 8 February - Top Dog visit for Groups 5 - 8
 ❖ 15 February - MAKITI - Valentine's dance

❖ 22 February - Tea Garden
❖ 2 March - Alma Carnival
❖ 8 March - Tea Garden
❖ 15 March - School closes

#### **Out of the Principal's office:**

Welcome back to every parent and especially our learners. I hope you had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed some quality family time together. I wish you all the best for 2019.



It is with regret that we inform our parents of the passing of Vincent Fakude, Class Assistant for Group 26, during the school holiday. Our hearts go out to his family and friends and our prayers are with them.

Our deepest sympathy and condolences also accompany some of our staff who also lost family members over the festive season.

Welcome to Teacher Irmela Pelser who joined us again in a more permanent post. I am grateful that she is part of the Alma family again.

Congratulations to Teacher Ruby Daniels who will get married on 26 January and to Teacher Melissa Hunter who is expecting their new baby daughter at the end of the month. Teacher Amelia Sibande will stand in for Teacher Melissa for the next 4 months.

I am looking forward to the new year that lies ahead with all its new challenges and opportunities. We start the year on a high note with the new curriculum and have a full program for the year. You can be assured of positive staff who will assist our learners daily with love and care. My open-door policy for you as a parent is always there to act with you in the best interest of your child.

The school's motto is **Pray and Work** and I believe that if we keep to this motto we will have a good and successful 2019 together.

Kind regards,

#### Parents info evening

We would like to inform you of the parent's evening next week on Wednesday, 23 January 2019.

- Group 1-19's parents must please be seated in their child's class at 18:00.
- Group 20-27's parents must please be seated in the school hall at 18:00.
- Your child's teacher will communicate all necessary class and school information for 2019.
- We request that you keep the conversation as short as possible to allow all the parents an opportunity to speak to the teacher

#### TOP DOG visit for Groups 5 - 8

*Top Dog* is a group of dog handlers with therapy dogs that visits hospitals, care centres and Alma School. They visit us once a month (every  $2^{nd}$  Friday of the month) and the phases will take turns to socialize with the dogs. Our learners get the opportunity to brush, interact and walk with the dogs. On **Friday, 8 February** Foundation phase 1 (Groups 5 – 8) will have the opportunity to interact with the therapy dogs during school hours on the playground.

MAKITI - Valentine's dance - R50 per person (Children under 16 free)



All parents: Please support us with this first fundraiser of the year. 15 February @ 18:30 in the school hall. Bring your own picnic basket and come and dance with us!

Braai facilities will be available.



#### **General School information**

School hours: 07:30 – 13:30 With the new curriculum that starts this year we want to encourage our parents to punctually keep to the school hours.

The main gate and boom will be closed between 9:00 and 12:30. If it is necessary for a learner to be picked up earlier, parents need to park in front of the Reception area, sign the learner out and walk to the learners class.

School Uniform : Alma Golf T-shirts (Available in the office)

Kids sizes – R75

Adult sizes – R85

School fees: School fund – R750.00 per month for 11 months School transport – R1 450.00 per month for 12 months (One way – R1 087.50 per month for 12 months)

Banking details:

Standard Bank

Gezina - 01 48 45

Account Nr. 411 05 05 75

Ref.: Child's name & surname