**SWIFTS CREEK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

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**Flagstaff Parent Teacher Interviews**

Our parent teachers interviews are scheduled for Thursday the 16th of September from 1.45pm until 6.00pm. This week interview time preference forms were sent home with your child. Please return these by Friday Sept 10th. A letter confirming your interview time will then be forwarded to you by the classroom teacher.

Pauline Canfield, Assistant Principal

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**STAR the week to John Butler, Stephen O’Brien and Paul Newton who were terrific hosts for the Kinder, Prep, One & two transition visits today.**

**Flagstaff Social Skill**

This week’s social skill at Flagstaff is ‘Patience’. Classroom activities will focus on this skill and it will also be a focus for observations of positive student behaviour in the playground. Please discuss this social skill with your child at home.

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**Rewards Day**

For catering purposes, can families of P—6 students please return the form to let us know how many sausages to purchase. Thank you.

Child: ..........................................................

No of sausages: .............................................

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**Interim Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews at Tambo**

Interim reports will be posted to parents next week and Parent/Teacher interviews will follow on Thursday September 16th from 4pm to 6.30pm. All parents are encouraged to attend the interviews. It is a great opportunity to check on how you can help your child to achieve the best final results that they are capable of. Also, it is a good time to discuss your child’s plans for the future and talk with teachers about subject selections for 2011 and beyond.

We also encourage students to attend the interviews. They are the ones who will be responsible for putting into action advice which is given, and they are the ones who will live with the future that their education leads to.

We look forward to seeing many parents and students here on the 16th.

Barbara Napthine
Assistant Principal

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**Lost**

Tom Darby has misplaced two size 14 fleece jumpers with collar and half zip. The brand is “solutions”. Please have a look at home to check if your child has mistakenly taken these home. Thank you, Sue Darby.
Flagstaff Rewards Day

The staff at Swifts Creek School Flagstaff Campus have been extremely impressed with the behavior and attitude to learning of our students in Term 3. As a consequence we will be holding a Rewards Day on Monday the 13th September.

For this rewards day students will have a choice in the activities they would like to participate in.

Choice one: Physical Challenge— A bush walk from Old Omeo Road, over a very big hill into Bald Hills Creek (they will need sturdy footwear, morning tea, backpack, water and lots energy). Parents wishing to participate are most welcome.

Choice 2: Art activity and Movie— at school.

Choice 3: Technology and construction activities.

We will be holding a BBQ lunch organized by parents club during lunchtime.

Excursion forms for students who chose the Physical Challenge were sent home on Monday the 6th September.

Pauline Canfield, Assistant Principal

Parents morning tea

When: Monday 11th October
Time: 9.30am
Where: Flagstaff Campus Library
Who: All parents from Swifts Creek School and Kindergarten Welcome.

Our next morning tea for parents is scheduled for 9.30 on Monday the 11th October.

This is an opportunity to meet other parents and have a coffee and a chat. If you have pre-school children please bring them along. We will set up some activities set up for them to do.

Reading Tips

Learning to read doesn’t just happen.
To become readers, kids need to have rich experiences with language at a young age.
Young children use play and talk as a way to expand, explore, and make sense of their world.
When you talk, sing, read to, and play with an infant, toddler, or preschooler, you’re laying the foundation for reading.

Grade 3/4 Harrietville Camp

Wednesday November 3rd to Friday November 5th.
Location: Mountain View Retreat, Harrietville.
The total cost of the camp per child is $110.
This camp involves grade 3 and 4 students from Swifts Creek School and Omeo Primary School.
Further information will be forwarded to families involved.

Grade 5/6 Camp to Canberra-Swifts Creek School and Omeo primary School

The Grade 5/6 Camp this year runs from the 11th-15th of October. The cost is now confirmed as $370. Information was sent home to grade 5/6 students families on Friday 3rd September for expressions of interest for attending. Please return these by September 10th.

‘Go for your life’ van

We welcomed the ‘Go for your life’ team last week as their green van arrived to deliver the important messages of healthy eating and participation in physical activity every day.
Staffed by health and wellbeing professionals, the ‘Go for you life’ Community Education Program provided students with simple and practical ways to improve their lifestyles.
Healthy eating and the benefits of physical activity are an important part of the school’s curriculum. The ‘Go for you life’ visit reinforced our commitment towards fostering healthy behaviours that promote enjoyment of childhood and lifelong activity.
The interactive visit allowed the students to participate in a number of activities such as hula hoop and ball games, and guessing the number of sugar cubes in popular drinks to demonstrate the importance of adopting healthy eating habits and regular physical activity.
The ‘Go for your life’ staff commented on all of the student’s enthusiastic participation, courteous manners and high level of knowledge on healthy living.
‘Go for your life’ is a Victorian Government initiative that responds to the growing epidemic of obesity and other preventable chronic disease associated with poor nutrition and lack of physical activity.
For more information on ‘Go for your life’, and for recipes, ideas and advice on healthy eating and physical activity for the whole family, visit www.goforyourlife.vic.gov.au or phone the ‘Go for your life’ Info line on 1300 739 899.
September School Holiday Activities for Youth

The Activity Supermarket, together with its partners Omeo District Health and Gippsport have organized Golf and Bowling “Come and Try” days during the September holidays for students from ages ten and upwards.

The Bowling day will be held at the Tambo Valley Bowls Club on Thursday September 23rd from 10.30 until 12.30pm, with a free healthy lunch provided afterwards.

The Golf day will be held at the Tambo Valley Golf Club on September 30th from 10.30 until 12.30pm with a free healthy lunch also provided for participants. Bairnsdale golf professional Dale Cadd will be in attendance for golfing lessons and tuition.

The Omeo District Community Bus will also be available for pickups and transportation if required. Cost of participation is $5 per day and parents are also warmly invited to attend.

Bookings are essential for catering purposes, to either Michelle Shaw on 51594 477 or Lou-anne Mooney 5159 0100.

SCHOOLS AS HUBS

Little Groovers
Music-Play for children

JOIN IN WITH LIZ COOK AND DISCOVER THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF MUSIC IN A FUN AND CREATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD!

Swifts Creek Primary School Music Room
Thursday 9th September 2010 – 10.00 a.m.

Physical, emotional and social benefits are all obtained from early exposure to music.

FREE SESSION
For enquiries please call Rowena Turner
Schools As Hubs Co-ordinator
Ph: 5159 4323
Interested community members are invited to provide ideas and suggestions about the future direction for our school uniform, and logo. This information will assist the School Council to make an informed decision which takes into account community input.

If you have any questions please contact Anne O’Brien 5159 4342 or Pauline Canfield 5159 4267.

Please record your ideas and return to school by Wednesday the 15th of September

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