Swifts Creek School Newsletter
July 20th 2011

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VCE, VCAL, VET 2012
An information session about the options for post-compulsory study (Years 11 and 12) will be held on Wednesday August 3rd in the Tambo campus library. Students in Year 10 this year will attend, and their parents are cordially invited also. The decision of which course of study is best for each student needs to take into account the student’s strengths, interests and long term goals. Subject selection within VCE also needs to meet individual needs. These important decisions have to be based on accurate information. We encourage parents to attend this session and be part of the decision-making. Details will be sent home in a separate flyer.

Great Victorian Bike Ride
Swifts Creek School is providing Tambo campus students with the opportunity to take part in the Great Victorian Bike Ride 2011. This is a 9 day bike ride from Swan Hill to Castlemaine from Saturday 26th November to Sunday 4th December. This program has run in previous years and is always a great experience. Students who intend to participate this year need to collect an Expression of Interest from the office. A deposit of $100 will need to be paid before July 27th.

Social Skills
This week’s social skill is ‘Fairness’. This will be a focus in the classroom and playground. Please discuss this social skill with your child at home.

Whole School Dates to Remember
August 22nd-26th Book Week and Book Fair
Sept 22nd Parent Teacher Interviews
Sept 23rd last Day of Term

Flagstaff Campus Dates to Remember
July 27th FFFFFF fun show
August 3rd Skiing
August 4th Winter sports
August 10th Skiing
August 11th Prep-1 Snow Day
August 17th Skiing
August 23rd Community Reading event
August 24th Skiing

Tambo Campus Dates to Remember
August 3rd VCE, VET, VCAL info session
August 5th ‘Spin Out’ Performance
August 9th Defence Forces visit
August 10th Year 12 Biology trip
August 24th Careers Expo & Drug Awareness program

Flagstaff Ski Program Reminder
Students who are going skiing from Flagstaff campus need to bring back their forms or they may miss out.

Firearms Safety Course
Any students interested in participating in a Firearms Safety Course are urged to let the staff know at the Tambo front office. The course will only go ahead if there are sufficient numbers.
SCHOOLS AS HUBS
Little Groovers Music Program Term 3.

This term brings some changes to our music program.
Firstly we would like to welcome Maryanne Sheean as our new presenter. Maryanne has recently attended the Baby Bounce/Rhyme time training and brings with her some fun songs and ideas.
Due to the changes in childcare at Swifts Creek, sessions will now run on Monday at Swifts Creek. Omeo will remain the same, with sessions running prior to kinder gym on Friday.
So come along, join in with a fun, interactive music session aiding and enhancing development in your child.
All Pre-School families are most welcome to attend. Sessions are no cost.

Omeo Recreation Reserve – Kinder Gym Room - Prior to Kinder Gym

Friday - 5th August – 10.30 a.m
Friday - 2nd September – 10.30 a.m.

Swifts Creek Primary School Music Room

Monday 15th August – 10.30 a.m.
Monday 12th September – 10.30 a.m.

For enquiries phone: Rowena Turner, Schools as Hubs Coordinator: 5159 4323

NEW BOOKS
Available

@ Tambo Campus:
WHITE CROW – Marcus Sedgwick
ACT OF FAITH – Kelly Gardiner
ISHMAEL AND THE HOOPS OF STEEL – Michael Gerard Bauer
ALL I EVER WANTED – Vikki Wakefield
ALASKA – Sue Saliba
IN THE SEA THERE ARE CROCODILES – Fabio Geda
**Lost Property at Tambo Campus**

Please make sure all clothing is labelled, and if students lose an item of clothing please come to the office and search the lost property box. There are many good quality items in the lost property box waiting to be claimed by their owners.

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**Reading Tips**

Your child walks like you, talks like you, absorbs everything you do. So set the right example when it comes to reading. **Surround yourself with reading material.** Books don’t belong only in libraries and classrooms. Make the written word a part of your living space, with books, magazines, and newspapers readily available throughout your home.

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**On Wednesday 27th July, 11.20 a.m. at the Swifts Creek Hall,** students will be attending the **Flow Fly Flash Flick Float Fun ....FFFFFun Show**

A selection of science and technology ideas to stimulate interest and generate enthusiasm.

”A madcap and fun presentation.”

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**Swifts Creek Football Netball Club**

Club Meeting Wednesday July 20th at the clubrooms at 7.30pm. All welcome. The meeting is to discuss end of year celebrations. Any enquiries please phone Annie Richardson.

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**READING CIRCLES 2011**

This term we are looking forward to listening to some more fantastic stories read by community members at the Reading Circles held each month at Swifts Creek School – Flagstaff Campus, and Omeo Primary School libraries. During August we will have a Community Reading Event to celebrate book week – where we will walk to different business/venues to listen to a story. If you are a parent, grandparent or friend of a child aged from 0 to 6 years, then come along and join in the fun. Morning tea is provided.

**The Reading Circle dates for term 3 are:**

**Swifts Creek** - Wednesday 3rd August - 10.00 a.m.

**Omeo** – Thursday 11th August – 10.00 a.m.

**Swifts Creek** (Book Week) – Tuesday 23rd August – 9.30a.m. (Community Reading Walk)

**Omeo** (Book Week) – Thursday 25th August - – 9.30a.m. (Community Reading Walk)

**Swifts Creek** - Wednesday 7th September – 10.00 a.m.

**Omeo** – Thursday 15th September – 10.00 a.m.

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