Principal’s Message

Welcome back to yet another fun fantastic full term of learning. For our Year 12 students, this is the last full term of learning. As I said at assembly yesterday, all that we ask is that a consistent effort is applied so when students look back they don’t say I should have or could have. They need to be pleased with the effort that is put into their work as this is what will determine, to a large extent, the results that are achieved.

Reports that were completed at the end of term have some great suggestions for improvement areas. If these are put into practice then the effort that goes into the work by all students this term will be even more effective.

All students should be familiar with, and use, the Munro literacy procedures to help them with their learning. As a parent, if your child is having challenges with their work, a great way to assist them is to have them use the literacy procedures to help with their understanding.

These key statements should jog the memory of each student:

- Getting Knowledge Ready
- Vocabulary
- Reading aloud
- Paraphrasing and Visualising
- Saying questions the text answers
- Summarising
- Reviewing

Next week we will be hosting the Coota Cup. Over the last three years we have been slowly building a tradition of smashing them when they come here. Seriously, the social opportunities that this event brings is what it is all about. It would be great to see a big turn out from our big kids at the hall on Tuesday night at 7pm.

Let’s continue to work together in the same positive manner that we did last term so we are able to have another great term of learning.

Please see Dates to Remember on page 2
SCHOOLS AS HUBS

Share rhymes, sing and dance with Rhyme Time Music Program Term 3 2013.

Join in with Maryanne Sheean for a fun, interactive music session aiding and enhancing development in your child.

All Pre-School families including babies are invited to come along.
Sessions are no cost

* Swifts Creek School Flagstaff Campus Library – 10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
* Thursday 25th July, Thursday 29th August, Thursday 19th September

Contact: Rowena Turner, Schools as Hubs Coordinator on 5159 4323
Swifts Coota Cup

Next week will be the annual Swifts – Coota Cup. This is where students from Mallacoota P-12 school compete with our Tambo students in team sports such as football, basketball and netball. It’s also an opportunity for some great social interaction.

This year the Cup is being held at our school. The students from Mallacoota will arrive here next Tuesday 23rd at about 5pm. They will be staying in Omeo and having pizzas there. Omeo students are welcome to join the Coota kids for this meal.

They will all then travel down to Swifts Creek for a bit of a do at the Swifts Creek Hall. This will be from 7pm till 9pm. Our Student Delegates have organised a range of games and dances to get everyone mixing and having a good time. The dress up theme for this is ‘Fairytale’ – simple costumes are okay as the Coota kids will not have time for elaborate dressing up. We are hoping to provide transport to and from Omeo for this event.

On Wednesday morning there will be a Big Breakfast at the Tambo campus, and then the games will begin: boys’ basketball, girls’ netball and mixed football. The Flagstaff students will cross the road to be spectators for some of this.

Finally we will have the presentation of the Cup, followed by a free barbeque lunch for all of our students and the Mallacoota students; and then we will farewell the Coota team, and head inside for normal classes in the afternoon.

So, our Tambo students need to remember

Tuesday 23rd
  Dance at the Swifts Creek Hall, 7pm to 9pm, Fairytale theme

Wednesday 24th
  Breakfast provided at school
  Bring sports gear for basketball, netball and/or football
  Barbeque lunch provided

Flagstaff students need to remember that lunch is provided for them on Wednesday next week.

Reading Circles 2013

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 Library.

The Reading Circle dates for Term 3 are as follows:
  • Omeo—Friday 2nd August 10am
  • Swifts Creek—Wednesday 7th August 10am
  • Swifts Creek—Wednesday 21st August 10am (Community Reading Event for Book Week)
  • Omeo—Friday 23rd August 10am (Community Reading Event Book Week)
  • Swifts Creek—Wednesday 18th September 10am

For further information please contact Rowena Turner, Schools As Hubs Coordinator Ph: 51594323
Kinder gym is here at Swifts Creek!

Maryanne Sheean will present an exciting new kinder gym program running every second Thursday of the month in playgroup time.

Time: 10.30 – 11.30 a.m.

Sessions for Term 3 are: Thursday 8th August and Thursday 12th September

Location: Swifts Creek School Flagstaff Campus Old Library
(First building on the right)

All Pre-School families including babies are invited to come along
Sessions are no cost

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NEW BOOKS @ Tambo Campus

To Brave the Seas
by David McRobbie. It’s the story of fifteen-year-old Adam Chisholm, who joins Britain’s Merchant Navy. It’s an adventure story, a historical perspective on the war, as well as a story of mateship, courage and persistence.

New Guinea Moon
by Kate Constable. Julie has grown up not knowing her father, with just the occasional Christmas card and the knowledge that he flies planes for a charter company on New Guinea. When she comes to stay with him one long summer, she learns to appreciate not only her long-lost father and his love of flying, but also New Guinea itself and the people she meets. Set in New Guinea at the time of independence, this is a coming-of-age story, a romance, mystery and adventure story.

Song in the Dark
by Christine Howe is a hard-hitting story of addiction, betrayal, love and hope. This is the author’s first novel and she says: 'I decided that I wanted to write a novel exploring hope: not the kind of wishful thinking that leads you to hope for things that might never happen, but the kind of hope that’s able to sustain you even when you’re living in a situation that seems unbearable.' There are drug-related issues in this one and it’s best suited to Mid to Upper Secondary. A suspenseful and riveting read.

A Ring through Time
by Felicity Pulman is set on Norfolk Island on the present day and also, through a found diary, on 1846. The connections between past and present and the ties that bind generations together – or tear them apart - are revealed in this entertaining story.