Principal’s Report
The school bus network exists with its main focus being transporting students to and from school. For this to happen effectively and safely there are a number of protocols that must be followed, so everyone including operators, passengers, parents and the coordinating school, which is Swifts Creek School, are well informed. In the event of an emergency the coordinating school needs to have accurate records as to who is on which bus at any particular time. This is where bus passes are an essential process. Whenever a student is not travelling on their normal bus, parents need to send a note or phone the school stating which bus your child will be travelling on and when. This is needed even if your child is on their normal bus but getting off at another stop, eg, grandparents, football/netball training. If a pass is needed for an extended period a permanent pass can be set up. In emergency procedures parents will be contacted by the school using current information as supplied by parents. If students aren’t travelling on their bus, am or pm, please advise the bus driver. The bus drivers are good but they are not mind readers. The odd time when there is a problem with a pick up or drop off with a student, the driver will do their best to look after the safety of the student as well as the other passengers on the run.

Robert Boucher

Book Fair and Book Parade 2014
Our Book Fair and Book Parade are fast approaching. Book Week is from August 18th until August 22nd. Students are encouraged to start thinking about a book character they would like to come dressed as on Wednesday August 20th for our Book Parade. We look forward to seeing your wonderful costumes and hearing about your favourite stories. More information will follow in future newsletters.

Whole School Dates to remember
July 29th Middle Years “Grand Designs” Expo
Aug 5th Snow Sports Program
Aug 5th School Council
Aug 11th Snow Sports Program
Aug 18th-22nd Book Fair
Aug 19th Snow Sports Program
Aug 20th Book Dress up day & Community reading
Aug 28th Snow Sports Program
Sept 2nd School Council

Flagstaff Campus Dates to remember
July 29th Year 6 Transition Information session
Aug 6th Author visit
Sept 3rd-5th Yr 3/4 camp to Beechworth

Tambo Campus Dates to remember
July 25th Senior School Formal
July 31st VCE/VCAL Information Afternoon
Aug 6th Athletics
Aug 18th-22nd Year 10 Camp

Senior School Information Afternoon
Year 10 students entering the Senior School next year will be attending an Information Session next Thursday afternoon, 31st July from 1.45pm to 3.45pm in the Tambo Campus Library. This session will explore the options students have for their education in their final years of secondary school and where these different pathways may lead beyond school. Parents of students are invited to attend this session along with students. A separate invitation will be going home with students. If you would like further information please feel free to contact me at the school.

John O’Neill,
Later Years Coordinator
Auskick
We now have eight children enrolled (and paid up) for Auskick. The date and times for the remaining Auskick sessions at school are: August 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th.

Reading Tips
Cooking with your child is an important learning tool for them. It can also be a good, productive activity for the school holidays. Teaching them to read and follow a recipe can be good fun! Besides being a valuable skill in the kitchen, reading a recipe teaches volume, weight, temperature, time, fractions, and sequencing! It even provides a reward when they are finished, tasting the finished product!

Book Club
Book Club orders need to be returned to Flagstaff Campus by Monday July 28th.

Interschool Secondary Gymkhana
If anyone is interested in competing in the interschool Gymkhana please see Amanda P.

Sports Uniform For Sale
House colour polo shirts will be for sale leading up to Tambo Campus Athletics please see Amanda for more details.

Year 6 Transition Evening
Year 6 students and their parents are invited to stay after the Grand Designs expo next Tuesday July 29th for an informative talk about Year 7 at Swifts Creek School. Please return the reply slip from the letter you received. We hope to see you there.

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SCHOLLS AS HUBS

Reading Circle

Swifts Creek School Library
Flagstaff Campus

When: Wednesday 30th July 2014
Contact person: Rowena Turner - 5159 4323
Swifts Creek School - 5159 4267

Time: 10:00-10.30 A.M.

Featuring stories by our special reader

Ita Rose

For Pre-School Families
Morning tea provided