Principals Report
On Monday the 6th of October our staff participated in a professional development activity with other schools and early childhood providers from the High Country. The focus was Play Based and Personalised Learning. This involves differentiating learning and catering to the individual development needs of students. We were fortunate to have access to international expert Kathy Walker. This approach uses developmentally appropriate ways of helping engage students in meaningful and relevant strategies that enhance academic skills alongside social and emotional development. Kathy will be returning to Swifts Creek School in November to do further work with our Leadership team and early years’ staff as well as continuing her work with the Early Years providers across the High Country.

Our Middle Years students spent the day on Tuesday with the Arena Theatre Company. They created a performance piece around the themes of Rube Goldberg machines, decision making, paths and networks. They displayed kindness by working co-operatively in groups to courageously solve problems in the development of their machines. The learning experience was one which the students were fully engaged in and displayed a great deal of Joy in their learning.

Pauline Canfield
Assistant Principal

Whole School Dates to remember
Oct 29th Aboriginal Cultural Activity Years K-7
Nov 4th Public Holiday—Melbourne Cup Day
Nov 5th School Council meeting

Flagstaff Campus Dates to remember
Oct 24th Head lice check
Nov 11th Life Ed van

Tambo Campus Dates to remember
Oct 13th-17th Circus Skills workshop Melbourne
Oct 27th Big Breakfast & Yr 6 to Yr 7 transition

Pool Membership
Pool membership forms went out last term. Please return them to either campus office as Summer is fast approaching.

Book Club
Please return you book club orders by tomorrow Friday 17th to Mrs G.

Head Lice
Just a reminder that if your child was treated for head lice last week, they will now be due for a follow up treatment.

READING CIRCLES 2014
In term 4, 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. We have some special themes for our Reading Circles, beginning with a bear hunt and teddy bears picnic in October.
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 Four are:
Wednesday 22nd October – 10.00 a.m. (Teddy Bears Picnic), Wednesday 12th November – 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday 3rd December – 10.00 a.m.
For more information Ph: Rowena Turner, SAH Co-ordinator, Ph 51594323.
Head lice

Finding head lice
Many lice do not cause an itch, so you have to look carefully to find them. Head lice are found on the hair itself and move to the scalp to feed. They have six legs which end in a claw and they rarely fall from the head. Louse eggs (also called nits) are laid within 1.5 cm of the scalp and are firmly attached to the hair. They resemble dandruff, but can’t be brushed off. Lice can crawl and hide. The easiest and most effective way to find them is to follow these steps:

Step 1
Comb any type of hair conditioner on to dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This stuns the lice and makes it difficult for them to grip the hair or crawl around.

Step 2
Now comb sections of the hair with a fine tooth, head lice comb.

Step 3
Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue.

Step 4
Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs.

Step 5
Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least four or five times.

If lice or eggs are found, the hair should be treated. If the person has been treated recently and you only find empty hatched eggs, you may not have to treat, as the empty eggs could be from a previous episode.

Treating head lice
Treating head lice involves removing lice and eggs from the hair. There are two ways you can do this:
1. Buying and using a head lice lotion or shampoo, following the instructions on the product.
Using the conditioner and comb method (described under 'finding head lice') every second day until there have been no live lice found for ten days. If you choose to use a head lice product always read and follow the instructions provided with the product carefully.
The following points may also be helpful:
• Head lice products must be applied to all parts of the hair and scalp.
• No treatment kills all of the eggs so treatment must involve two applications, seven days apart. The first treatment kills all lice; the second treatment kills the lice that may have hatched from eggs not killed by the first treatment.
• Cover the person’s eyes while the treatment is being applied. A towel is a good way to do this.
• If you are using a lotion, apply the product to dry hair.
• If you are using a shampoo, wet the hair, but use the least amount of water possible.
• Apply the treatment near the scalp, using an ordinary comb to cover the hair from root to tip. Repeat this several times until all the hair is covered.

Regulations
According to the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2009, children with head lice can be readmitted to school or children’s service centres after treatment has commenced. The department recommends a child with head lice can be treated one evening and return to school or children’s service centres the next day, even if there are still some eggs present. There is no need to miss school or childcare because of head lice.
HORROR MOVIE MADNESS!

HALLOWEEN

@The Cassilis Cemetery

OCTOBER 31st 6.30-10.30pm

Great DJ’s
Open Air Cinema
Fancy dress

Tickets on sale now

(Tickets must be pre-purchased by the 29th of October)

This is an Ages 12 - 18, Drug, Alcohol and smoke free event. (Bags may be subject to inspection) Buses will be available if you book a seat. For further information contact Carla Hall, Youth Worker on 5159 0100 or go to our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/ODHYOUTH.

$10

Omeo District Health
East Gippsland Arts & Heritage Alliance Freeza
www.freeza.vic.gov.au
We are going on a bear hunt around the playground to find a teddy bears picnic.

Meet us at Swifts Creek School—Flagstaff Campus on Wednesday 22nd October at 10.00 a.m.

Don’t forget to bring your teddy bear.

Contact:
Robyn Sandy @ Swifts Creek Kindergarten -5159 4224
Rowena Turner: 5159 4323
School As Hubs Coordinator
WHAT'S UP! DOWNUNDER PRESENTS
THE GO MAKE SOME MEMORIES
CONCERT FOR CHARITY
FEATURING
ANGIE HILTON - SUNNY HAWKINGS - DAVE PROUST
AND MEET WHAT'S UP DOWNUNDER HOST FRANKIE J HOLDEN
OMEO CARAVAN PARK
111 OLD OMEO HIGHWAY OMEO
TUESDAY OCTOBER 28 @ 6PM
FREE ENTRY - BYO CHAIRS - BYO FOOD AND DRINKS
ALSO ENJOY OUR FUNDRAISING SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON SITE
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NetSetGo COACH UPSKILL SESSION
Looking to upskill as a NetSetGo coach in your local school or community club?
If you are a current NetSetGo coach or want to become an accredited NetSetGo coach then this is the session for you!

Netball Victoria is conducting a free 2 hour session designed to upskill current and potential NetSetGo coaches, introducing them to the current NetSetGo format and enabling them to run structured sessions within your primary school or community club.

Venue: Bairnsdale City Oval
40 Macarthur Street, Bairnsdale
Date: Monday 27th October
Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm

To book a place, please contact Judi Buhagiar at judi.buhagiar@netballvic.com.au by Wednesday the 22nd October

Netball Victoria END OF SEASON CAMP
5 - 7 December 2014
THE SUMMIT IN TRAFALGAR EAST
FEATURES INCLUDE:

MONSTER COURSE
Participants complete a tour on an obstacle course which will test their physical and mental skills. There will be running, climbing and coming times in order to achieve the objectives. Prepare to get dirty and have some fun.

FREE TIME
With water sports including water ski, canoeing & swimming

TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES

TRIVIA, KARAOKE & MORE

COACHING from elite athletes in netball skills sessions

NETBALL ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT TO CONCLUDE CAMP

TICKETS: $345 includes Netball Victoria singlet, drink bottle & all meals. Tickets are limited to 88 participants only.
BOOKING can be made at www.radvicroundcamps.com.au and close 21st November 2014

Australian Government
Australian Sports Commission
Active After-school Communities
Omeo District Health, DEPI and Parks Victoria
Invites you to come walk with us

Alpine Forest Walks, Dinner Plain
Montane Loop, Room with a View and Carmichael Falls

Friday 24th October 2014
Commencing 11am, from Dinner Plain Hut at Dinner Plain.
Concluding approx. 3pm.
BBQ lunch provided.

Walks are formed tracks that include short steep sections some uneven terrain and occasional steps. No wheelchair access available. The walks include boardwalks and viewing platforms. There are many opportunities for photos, so visitors are encouraged to bring a camera. Basic level of fitness is required. Some bush walking experience recommended. Public toilets located at Dinner Plain Village.

**Wear:** Sturdy footwear and suitable clothing for a changing Alpine environment in Spring.

**Bring:** water and sun protection.

**Transport available:** car pooling and ODH community bus

For more information or to register your interest in attending by please contact:
Lou-anne Mooney at Omeo District Health
Phone: 51590100, Email: healthpromotion@omeohs.com.au

**RSVP by Thursday 23rd October, 12noon**