Swifts Creek School Newsletter

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Whole School Dates to Remember
April 23rd School Council meeting
May 4th Indigenous Performance

Parent Teacher Interviews Today
We hope to see many parents and students at the Parent Teacher interviews this afternoon. If you are unable to attend the interviews today, please just ring the school to make an alternative appointment time. Teachers are always happy to talk with you, and work together with you to support each student’s learning journey.

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When writing encourage your child to use the letter and sound patterns they are learning at school.

Head Lice
A reminder to parents, please check your child’s hair for eggs and lice. If your child has even a couple of eggs, these eggs need to be removed before they hatch and spread the infestation.
It is important to tie your child’s hair up or put into a plait to reduce the risk of lice being spread to others.
If you need any information regarding the treatment of head lice, please feel free to contact the school on 5159 4267 or the local Bush Nursing Clinic on 5159 4210.

Lost Property
Every day so far this term we have collected a number of jumpers with no names.
Please, make sure uniforms are named and remind your child it is their responsibility to look after their belongings.

Tambo Campus Dates to Remember
April 15th Parent Teacher Interviews 4.00pm to 7.00pm
April 20th-24th Year 9 Mittagundi Camp
April 27th-May 1st OEd Sailing Camp
April 29th TIS Day Year 12
May 4th-8th VCAL Camp

Flagstaff Campus Dates to Remember
April 15th Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm to 6.00pm
April 29th Responsible PET ownership program
April 30th Primary Athletics at Omeo
May 22nd Performance Tour at Omeo
May 25th-29th Year 5/6 Gelantipy Camp

Primary Athletics
This year the Primary Athletics will be held in Omeo on Thursday 30th April at the Recreation Reserve.
Buses will not run for the Flagstaff Campus on this day so parents will need to arrange transport to and from this event.
We are seeking parent helpers for team groups on the day. If you could help please contact the Swifts Creek P-12 School, Flagstaff Campus on 5159 4267.
Team colours are:
Sugar Gliders: Gold (Surnames A to C)
Mountain Pygmy Possums: Blue (Surnames D to I)
Gippsland Water Dragons: Green (Surnames J to O)
Powerful Owls: Red (Surnames P to Z)

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Reading at Swifts Creek P-12 School

Reading is one of the most important ways that students of all ages learn. For this reason we have a major focus on helping our students to be more effective readers. To do this, we have been using the reading strategies developed by Professor John Munro – the High Reliability Literacy Teaching Procedures or HRLTPs.

Throughout this term we will be publishing information about each procedure in our newsletter so that you at home can talk about these helpful reading strategies. We are starting this fortnight with a focus on the first procedure:

**Getting Knowledge Ready**

*Getting Knowledge Ready* is about what to do before you start reading. It means that, if you prepare your thinking before you start reading, then the reading will be more effective because the brain will be more receptive to the new information as you read.

*Getting Knowledge Ready* helps you to better understand what you read, and to remember it better.

**What you can do at home:**
To help your child/ren to use this procedure all the time, you can remind them of some of the things they can do before they start reading.

**For all ages, you can remind them to look at the title and / or illustrations, and then ask:**
- What do you already know about this topic?
- What pictures come to your mind?
- What do you think might be going to happen?

**For older students you might add:**
- Can you say the title in another way?
- What do you think this is going to tell you?
- What are some words you might expect to find as you read?
- What are some questions this reading might answer?

**Senior students should also be thinking about:**
- Why am I reading this?
- What is my purpose?
- What was the author’s purpose?

*If you would like to know more about the High Reliability Literacy Teaching Procedures, please just ask the classroom or home group teacher, or Ms Napthine.*