Calendar dates

MAY

Wednesday 8th School Council
14th – 16th Naplan Gr 3 & Gr 5
Friday 10th Mother’s Day stall 2pm $2-$10
Monday 20th National Simultaneous Story time- 9.45am ‘Alpacas with Maracas’
Wednesday 22nd NDIS presentations 4-5pm OPS/6-7pm SCP12
Monday 27th – Friday 31st 5/6 camp at Gelantipy

Weekly events
Thursday – Homework club 8am, Investigation room.
Friday Assembly at 8.45 – Assembly room.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Alivia Symons who celebrated her day at the High Country Athletic Sports!

From the Principal

Hello Everyone

What a great day at our High Country Athletics Carnival on Monday. This is due to lots of people as events such as this are a team effort. I would like to acknowledge:

- Office staff at both Omeo – Andrea, Ashleigh and Swifts Creek - Amanda. Teachers and students for helping to make the day run smoothly and be enjoyable for all. Parents and group assistants for supporting age groups and recording at events.
- PFC for the great catering. Thank you to everyone who pitched in here with slices, cakes, fresh lettuce, making sandwiches, etc and then staffing the canteen throughout the day. Lovely to see lots of Dads helping here as well.
- Setting up Sunday again a team effort with special thanks to Tania and Adam Smith, Graham Symons, the Hill Family including Papa Jeff, Kewish Family, Gardiner Family, Kate and Abby Freestone, Frank Mason, and Mr G with his wealth of knowledge and skill gained over many years. Special mention to Abby, Arle, George and Bodhi who did clean up around the oval.
- Monday for our equipment transport. Thank you to Jarrod Bowd making life simple with a great trailer. Staff from both school doing the last minute tasks to support the smooth running across the day and packing up at the end. Frank and Josh Van Heek for the return of items to our school.
- Cindy Mass setting up Monday and for her work with training for events in our sporting schools time.
- Omeo Recreation Reserve Committee for allowing us to use this great venue and Pauline for cleaning at the end of the day.
- Everyone who supported throughout the day, parents, grandparents, friends, neighbours.

Pictures will be included in later newsletter. The next level in Athletics will be in August in Bairnsdale with district on 26th August and division 16th September.

The Royal Flying Doctor Dental Service visited yesterday and checked around 50% of our students who had returned forms. If you missed this, please visit them at Omeo District Health during one of their regular sessions in Omeo.

Coming events include a National Disability Insurance Scheme NDIS session Wednesday 22nd May from 4-
5pm. This is an information session for anyone interested or who just wants to understand what it is about.

**National Simultaneous Storytime** Monday 20th May. Always a great session brought to us by Swifts Creek Yr 8 students. This is part of their literacy work in English/Drama.

Remember our Mothers Day Stall this Friday gifts from $2-$10. $10 will easily by two items. Along with gifts, I hope the kids look after Mums making the day happy with their kindness and best behaviour. Every year is precious especially with a Mum in her 94th year.

For Return: Grade 5/6 camp permission form and medical form.

**HELP NEEDED!**
If anyone is able to offer some time to photocopy and laminate resources for our Words Their Way program please come and see or call Mrs Freestone, she wants her weekends back! This work is progressing, thank you Ashleigh for helping out here.

**Prep One Two News**
This week we saw lots of feats of endurance on the athletics field. I was impressed with students showing persistence when learning a new event and working on their technique and improving their scores!

**Literacy Focus**
We are continuing our author study on Mem Fox reading “Possum Magic” this week and learning about different Australian animals

**Maths Focus**
In Maths we are continuing to learn about chance talking about lucky dips and picking different coloured marbles from a jar working out the possibilities and using language such as impossible, possible, certain, unlikely, likely. We are also working on our mapping skills, drawing a map of our classroom

**Senior School News**
We all had a fantastic day at the Athletics Carnival and I was very pleased to hear many encouraging comments offered by members of the S.L.C. to their peers during the events. It was great to hear students support one another regardless of which house team they were on or which school they come from.

**Literacy**
This week we commenced listening to authors speak as part of the YABBA (Young Australians Best Book Awards) program. We heard from author Alex Miles and illustrator Heath McKenzie. As I wasn’t at school yesterday I have asked some students to comment on the session:

Yesterday I listened to author Alex Miles and illustrator Heath McKenzie. The one thing I remember was when Heath asked kids some genres and he drew a picture of him as a ghost, on a camping trip, roasting marshmallows and in the other hand holding a

**Student of the Week**
The junior room congratulates:

**Oliver Pendergast**
For quietly earning lots of Dojo points, completing his work in the time given and helping the class achieve our transition goal of everyone quickly, calmly and quietly moving to our next activity in 1 minute. Well done Oliver for being a quiet achiever.

The senior room congratulates:

**Paige McCoy**
For completing your Homework to a fantastic standard every week. You put so much effort into each Homework task Paige and produce work of an excellent standard, well done and keep it up!

**PFC MOTHER’S DAY STALL**
On Friday 10th May from 2pm the Parents and Friends Committee will hold a Mother’s Day stall at the school where students will be able to purchase small gift for their Mother’s/Grandmothers etc. If your child would like to participate in this stall please send them with some money on the day. Gifts will range from $2-$10.

**SPORTING SCHOOLS**
RETURNS with Softball skills to be our focus.

Cheers Trish
magnifying glass trying to light the fire and behind him was a dragon. By Grace Anstey-Pennington

I learnt that Alex Miles has a brother called Andy and he likes to play tricks on her. She also has two kids one called George and Freddie. By Abigail Jeff

Yesterday we listened to Alex Miles and Heath McKenzie talk on the Polycom as part of YABBA. YABBA is where children nominate authors and illustrators books and then all different school listen and ask questions to the authors and illustrators. Alex is an author who has written 17 books including Zac Power, Olive Black and some other books. Heath is an illustrator who has illustrated about 15 books including some of Alex’s books and also Andy Lee’s book called Do Not Open This Book. We all enjoyed it. By Beccy Plowman

Yesterday we listened to YABBA with Alex Miles and Heath McKenzie. I heard that Alex and her brother made a book together. By Jack Plowman

We are also continuing to look at the features of persuasive writing, which will be fantastic preparation for online debating, which the Year 5’s and 6’s will be involved in later this month.

Maths
Through our work on Location the Year 3’s and 4’s are creating a Treasure Map, while the 5’s and 6’s are working Longitude and Latitude. We are also commencing ‘Tables at Tables’ in lieu of Morning Meeting, where students are to choose a time table set they want to master and then complete a variety of activities to help them learn that table.

Homework
This week for Homework students are required to complete another four activities from a new Reading Menu (remembering to include the title of the book they are responding to). Year 3’s and 4’s have a maths task involving timing and the 5’s and 6’s have a riddle to test, which involves some Maths vocab we have been looking at (sum, difference, product & quotient). All parents should test students on their understandings of these words. This term students who do not bring their Homework to school on Fridays will be required to stay in at lunch on Friday to complete it.

Please note diaries are to come to school EVERY day, thanks to those who regularly bring them in.

Kate Freestone

KITCHEN-GARDEN PROGRAM FOR 2019- TERM 2

THIS WEEK IS GRADE 4’S – a REMINDER The cooking session will be AFTER LUNCH as will any garden work. STILL looking for any helpers it would be greatly appreciated!

GRADE 3’S in the kitchen/garden last week
We cooked beetroot brownie, using beetroots grown in the garden and we harvested a HUGE ZUCHINNI.

Andrea.

Reading Circles - Term 2 - 2019
Reading Circles will be held each month at the Early Learning Centre Omeo. 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 2 are:

Omeo - Monday 20th May (National Simultaneous Story time)
Omeo - Tuesday 4th June - 9.45 a.m.
Omeo - Tuesday 25th June - 9.45 a.m.
For more information ph: Rowena Turner SAH Co-ordinator, Ph 51594323.

READING TIPS:
Encourage your child to tell you about what they have read and ask them questions. These are the types of questions your child might be asked at school.

How do you think the character was feeling?
How would you change the ending?
How would you describe the changes in the character/setting?
What were the characters’ names?
What was the setting?
What did each character do?
What happened at the beginning, middle and end of the text?
Calling all potential AUST-SWIM instructors!

If you would like to attend the training to be an AUST SWIM instructor and help at the school swimming days, KEMP Aquatics are running a full AUST-SWIM instructor course at Lakes Entrance on 27/28 July. Please let the school know if you are interested and available to attend. For instructors who need to re-new their registration or make up their PD hours, there is the option to attend for 1 day.

We have one parent and Miss Wong who will be doing this wonderful course. The school will pay for the course, and then you will be fully equipped to help with our swimming program next year.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable equipment for your primary school, secondary school or Early Learning Centre. In our last campaign, more than 16,000 schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gymnasiums and science labs.

It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 1st May and Tuesday 25th June 2019 or while stock lasts, when your staff and parents shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator, via team members at the self service checkout or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There will be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your school or at your local Woolworths.

You can then redeem your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education equipment for your school or Early Learning Centre.
Link Health and Community is the Partner in the Community (PITC) delivering Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) services for children aged 0-6 across Inner Eastern Melbourne, Outer Eastern Melbourne, Southern Melbourne, Inner Gippsland and Outer Gippsland for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Come along to a Presentation on the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) pathway for children 0-6 years who have developmental delay and/or disability.

The presentation will inform you about:
- Who can access the NDIS, ECEI pathway
- How to access the Link HC, NDIS, ECEI pathway.

There are two presentations. Come along to the one most convenient for you.

**Presentation Times & Locations**

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Please let us know that you are coming by registering via email to Leanne.Wishart@ndis.vic.gov.au

Registrations close at 3pm Monday 20th May