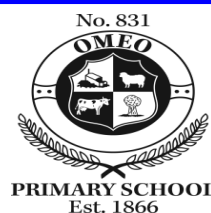


# Omeo Primary School Newsletter

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## Wednesday 1st November 2023

### Calendar dates

**Wednesdays 2:45:** Assembly in the Music Room, all parents welcome

**Monday & Friday:** Breakfast Club run by James & Sylvia

#### November

7th - Melbourne Cup public holiday (no school)

10th - Variety breakfast & bike presentation (see below for details)

**15th** - Transition morning for 2024 Preps until 10:45, PFC meeting 3:15, **School Council 5:30 NB**

#### Changed date

16th - Mountain Bike Program Day 1

20-24th - 5/6 camp to Coolamatong

**REMINDER - BROAD-BRIMMED HATS MUST BE WORN TERM 4 - Please pack one in your child's bag.**

gold panning was brilliant, with Imogen doing the best of the day. By weight she would have earned \$60000 in today's currency.

The bowling and afternoon swimming at Wangaratta were great fun also.

Thanks to Sarah Lord for organising the camp and also to Andrea for all the work here. Likewise, thanks Ashleigh for giving up your time.

### Mountain Bike Safety and Skills Program

Please keep the permission slips coming in. We will be in a position to supply some bikes, as our first fleet of bikes will be arriving soon. We have also changed the dates of the program. The following dates now apply:

- 16th of November Day 1
- 30th of November Day 2
- 7th of December Day 3
- 14th of December Day 4

### Birthdays

#### Happy Birthday to:

*James for the 29th October*

*Summah for the 1st November*

*Mila for the 5th November*

*Sylvia for the 6th November*

### From our Principal

Dear Families,

What a wonderful privilege it was to head off on camp with our grade 3/4s. The Old Priory is a fantastic place and the camp went very smoothly. The

**Year 5/6 camp to Camp Coolamatong** Please make sure the notes keep coming in and keep an eye on the payment dates. Any problems see Andrea or Jeff

**Bushfire At Risk Register** Omeo Primary school is a category 2 school for this register. I have been attending briefings and it is likely that at the beginning of next year there may be a need to shift to learning from home on a bushfire day.

I have included information specifically about this at the end of the newsletter. You will note that our local government area and fire district are one and the same. Rest assured that in the case of school closure or learning from home, all families will be contacted.



**Buses Monday 6th:** Buses on Monday 6th November will pick up students from OPS at 3.15pm. Please ensure you adjust the time you expect your child to be home.

**COVID 19** - There have been some cases of this in the community. If your child is showing symptoms please test and look after them while ill. We will be taking preventative measures at school too, including checking air purifiers and ensuring air flow. RAT tests both saliva and nasal will come home today with the newsletter.

Kind regards,

Jeff Wilson

#### From the Office

**School bank details** CBA: BSB: 063-857; Account No: 10006685. Please mark your transaction with family name and what it is for eg: Shepherd Fees 22

#### Student of the Week



Our Value Mascots  
Back: Emma Enjoyment, Pippa Persistence, Riana Respect,  
Front: Isaac Inclusion, Eddie Excellence

This week the junior room congratulates:

##### **Annika Overall**

For coming such a long way as a learner this year and trying so hard in all areas. It has been great to see you become a more confident reader and mathematician as the year has progressed.

This week the senior room congratulates:

##### **Autumn Bayly**

For being a super helper on Special Person's Day and ensuring that everything was organised and neat for lunch. Thank you for all your help Autumn! Well done!

#### Behaviour of the Week - We are Respectful



This week the junior room earnt **126** Dojo Points for demonstrating respectful behaviours.

This week the senior room earnt **36** Dojo Points for demonstrating respectful behaviour

#### The Behaviour of the Week this week is:



We are on the lookout for students who encourage and help others, let others help them, demonstrate fair play

and are persistent in games.

#### From our Classrooms

##### Junior Class News

This week we welcomed Levi home from his long holiday up north, Charlotte from a shorter holiday to Fiji and Ben and Dusty from their first camp. We hope to look at some photos of their trips over the coming days.

We have had Mrs Bannister with us on Monday and Tuesday this week, and she has continued the planned program. Today students began their post-test on our division unit. I look forward to seeing all they have learnt over the past few weeks. Next up will be fractions, with Mrs Grinter working with graphs on Thursdays, as well as some number fluency. We are finishing off our procedural unit this week and will be doing some Remembrance Day reading and writing before our next focus on explanation texts. Thanks to those families and friends who were able to attend the Special Person's lunch and visit from Bluey last week. Also to the Senior Class for preparing the delicious lunch and Kiri from the Shire Library for reading to us. It was a lovely event.

Kate Freestone

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##### Senior Class News

Our grade 3 and 4's loved camp! They all had a fantastic time and enjoyed a wide range of activities. Meanwhile our grade 5 and 6's were responsible for organising the Special Person's Day lunch in which they prepared a range of sandwich fillings for guests to make their own sandwiches. **A big congratulations to RUBY for winning the Reading for Kids Gippsland CBCA Book Review Competition! We are so proud of you!**

For mathematics we have begun using our division and multiplication knowledge to apply it to fractions. Students have been showing their current knowledge and understanding around fractions and exploring areas that we need to focus on.

For literacy we have been continuing to work on

publishing our writing pieces into books, going through the writing and illustrating process. We have been looking at procedural texts and writing up a procedural piece on 'How to make Fairy Bread'. Students have discovered that detail and key steps need to be included when writing a procedural piece, especially if someone else is following your steps!

In RSE we have been learning about the reproductive body parts of male and females and learning their actual names. We spoke about the importance of using the proper names of body parts. Students were asked to share the worksheet we completed last week with family at home.

Don't forget to have a look at the Omeo Show Program and enter things from home!

***Homework - Came out yesterday! Students are to create an autobiography about themselves using the booklet provided. They are to include detail.***

***This is due:***

**Monday 13th November.**

As always, please feel free to contact me as required.

Gemma Rendell

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### School Information

**Congratulations** to Ruby who was a winner of the Reading for Kids Gippsland CBCA Book Review Competition for her review on Our Dreaming. She will receive a \$75 voucher to spend at



Schoolworks or the Book Nook cafe in Bairnsdale. There are still 2 prizes up for grabs!

### Variety Queensland Visit

On **Friday 10th of November** members participating in a 10-day four-wheel driving event will be visiting our school as part of the Variety 4WD Adventure. They are coming all the way from Queensland!

Our PFC is catering breakfast for them. We would love help from members of our school community on the day, with the breakfast running from **6:30-7:30**. Please let us know if you can help ASAP.

With help from Nat Mitchell we also managed to secure a \$5000 grant from the charity! This has assisted us in purchasing 9 school bikes for our Mountain Bike program. The bikes will be presented to our school after breakfast. Students and families are invited to attend this presentation from **7:30 Friday 10th**, to help us in thanking Variety for their support.



### Grade 3 & 4 Camp - Beechworth!

#### ***A snapshot from Ruby***

On camp we first got to the accommodation then we got settled in and went to the lolly shop we also got to get ice cream. We walked to the bee discovery centre and we got samples of honey. Then we went back to the accommodation. We got to practice our dances before we ate dinner and we had schnitzels and potato bake with corn and peas, for dessert we had chocolate moose then went to bed.

On the second day we went gold panning and Imogen got '\$60,000' worth of 'gold'! Afterwards we got to have blueberry muffins for morning tea then we went to the ten pin bowling. After that we went to the aquatic centre and it had a lap pool and a little kids pool with very warm water.

On the third day we drove to the trout farm and we got to catch trout in one big pond with lots of trout in it. Then we got to see the man cut up the

fish and when that was done we got to get a packet of fish food to feed to the trout! We hopped back on the bus and drove back to Omeo.  
By Ruby

### ***A snapshot from Alivia***

A two and a half hour bus drive from Omeo to Beechworth and this is what we did:

**Day 1.** When we got to the Old Priory everyone went inside and put their bags in the games room then Remo and Angela the people who own the place told us about all the safety rules. After he was finished all of the boys put their bags in their rooms and then the girls put their bags in the room that all the girls shared. A couple minutes after we got settled in, we went for a walk down to the lolly shop. All of us brought some lollies and the people who had left over money chose to get an ice cream. When we finished our ice creams, we headed to the bee discovery centre and learnt all about bees. At the end we got to learn about bees and the last activity was tasting different types of honey. We went back to the Priory and ate dinner, after dinner we did Lazy Harry Bush Dancing.

**Day 2.** We had scrambled eggs for breaky. Later on in the day we went gold panning and for morning tea we had muffins. The person who made the most "money" was Imogen with \$60,000. We walked back to the Old Priory and packed our bags for swimming and ten pin bowling. Once ready we headed onto the bus to Wangaratta centre to go ten pin bowling.

When we finished bowling we went to the sports and aquatic centre to go swimming. When we finished swimming we went back to the Priory. Some people practised their acts and dances for the talent show and then we had dinner. After dinner we did the talent show then when that was finished we headed to bed.

**Day 3.** (the last day of camp) we started off the day with backing our bags and carrying them down the stairs and put them outside. When we finished that, we had crepes for breakfast. We ate breakfast then we hopped on the bus. When we got to Myrtleford we stopped at the park. We kept on going until the trout farm in Harrietville, where we went fishing and fed the fish, stopped at Mount Hotham for lunch and headed home. By Alivia Symons

## **Community Information**

**Omeo Community Hub:** TECHNOLOGY KNOWHOW- How to use a laptop, ipad- emails; Smart phones and navigating state and federal websites.

There is a form to complete- please contact Ronda Manhire at the email address below or you can call in at the Hub Monday or Tuesday afternoons to pick up a hard copy.

**omeocommunityhub@gmail.com** The enrolment forms are needed by Friday 27th October 2023.

**The Omeo Community Hub is covering the cost of the instructor from Buchan, so it will cost you \$0 to be involved.**

Day	Date	Time	Topic
Wednesday	15 November	10am to 2pm	Using a laptop – computer – ipad. Emails and storing documents
Wednesday	22 November	10am to 2pm	Using a smart phone, contact list, taking and storing photos, downloading apps
Wednesday	29 November	10am to 2pm	Navigating state and federal government websites – Vic Roads, ATO, Centrelink, MyGov



### **OMEA SHOW 2023**

The Omeo Show is coming up on

**Saturday 18th**

**November** and there is a lot for children to

see and enter!

Some categories that your child (or you) could enter include:

- \* Photography
  - \* Whip Cracking
  - \* Art
  - \* Show Person
  - \* Flowers/Floriculture
  - \* Horse Events
  - \* Cookery
  - \* Dog High Jump
- More info:

<https://www.omeoshow.com.au/>

