



NEWSLETTER

Calendar dates

May

29th: School assembly

June

12th: Book club closes

12th: Division winter sport - netball

School assembly's are held fortnightly on Friday's at 2:45pm in the Music Room. All welcome!

From the office

Grade 5 & 6 Somer's Camp

Information on the Somer's camp in August/September 2026 has been sent home to all Grade 5 & 6 students' families. Please consider this amazing camp. The same information has been sent via UEducateUs. Expressions of interest in the camp are due to the office, by Wednesday 27th May, 2026.

Attendance

Thankyou to those parents who regularly use UEducate Us to communicate the absence of their child. If no explanation is given of a child's absence, the school is required to follow up and request an explanation.

We would appreciate you following up on our requests.

Lunch Order request

The High Country Cafe has asked that families not place standing orders

Birthdays!

May:

Holly Mitchell

Harvey Meyers



School news

Jump Rope for Heart

Great to see some students have already signed up, don't forget to select Omeo Primary School when signing your child up. We have sent home some skipping ropes for students who didn't have one, they may just need a little adjusting. Lets see how much Omeo Primary School can raise and donate to the heart foundation in 2026!

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Please mark your transactions with your family name and what it is for eg. Shepherd Fees25



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From the Principal's desk

It is lovely to see most of the students recovered from the malady that has permeated through the town. We do have some students with a persistent cough, but most are well on the road to recovery.

I seem to say this every newsletter, but it has been another busy fortnight. NSST was amazing, and a huge thank you to Ms Obst and the Year 7's from Swift's Creek P-12 school and Allison for organising. The play Luna Roo, was fabulous!

We had some footy coaches in to help the students with their footy skills. This was very well received and I am pleased to say they will be back for some more sessions.

Thank you to Nita and the Senior class for helping out at the Biggest Morning Tea! It is such a great cause.

Congratulations to all who took part in the Winter Sports. Some excellent results from the High Country teams in netball!

I have been working with our KESO – Ben, and hope to have some news about some artwork that might be happening soon – watch this space!

Wishing you all a wonderful week!

My preferred contact is by email: sarah.crompton@education.vic.gov.au



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Art News

The senior class have been experimenting with paint pouring and creating art in a fluid and free approach.

The junior class have been working hard to paint a fish inspired by Ken Done, focusing on the process and taking time.

PE News

Tuesday, we had the first of four sessions with AFL Gippsland thanks to our Australian Sporting Schools Grant. The two coaches who took the session were very impressed with the standard of footy skills students from Prep through to year six. This is testament to the dedication of the Omeo Benambra Football Club; the students clearly have passion and a high level of skill thanks to the dedicated club members. The students and I look forward to the next 3 sessions.



Junior Class report

This fortnight in the junior room we have been thinking about being bucket fillers. Bucket filling is an analogy from a book by Carol McCloud called *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?* A bucket filler is someone who practices kindness, appreciation and empathy and uses these qualities to fill the imaginary bucket of others, which improves their emotional state. The best part is that when you fill someone else's bucket, you also fill your own! We have several copies of this book at school, so I have created a roster to allow each family to borrow a copy. Books will come home in reader bags each week, please ensure you return it the following week to allow other families to borrow. It would be great if you could take some time to read the book with your family and see if you can also practice bucket filling at home.

I recently got a backpack from the Primary Libraries Creative Collaboration Backpack Project that is full of books written or illustrated by Sally Rippen. As a result, we have been reading some of the picture story books by Sally. Once we finish our current class novel, *The Weather Well*, we will enjoy some of Sally's novels such as the *Billie B Brown* and *Hey Jack* series.

Last week we completed our addition post-test using Essential Assessment and I was pleased with students' growth in this area. We are now moving on to a subtraction focus as well as learning about the relationship between addition and subtraction. As part of our Geography unit on families' students are being asked to bring in an artefact to share that tells a story about their history, culture and/or identity in some way. Examples could include:

1. A favourite childhood book
2. Photographs of important places, e.g. the family's hometown, a landmark, or a place of historical significance to the family
3. A recipe book
4. An heirloom or cultural symbol
5. A baby blanket or toy
6. A piece of old clothing (e.g., baby shoes, a cultural outfit)
7. A handwritten letter or diary.



Junior Class report

Students will share their artefacts with the class during Geography sessions, which are on Thursday afternoons from 2pm. Families are welcome to come along to share the artefact with their child, especially if this is something precious that you would prefer didn't stay at school. After this week we will only have four more Thursdays for the term, so please send something along on the 4th, 11th, 18th or 25th of June.

Kate Freestone.
kate.freestone@education.vic.gov.au

Student of the week

Charle Domegracia: For her love of all things school! Well done Charlie for settling into school so successfully this year. You are always happy and helpful towards others and make our classroom a better place. Keep it up!

Student of the week

Ava Betts: For her excellent speaking and listening skills in the classroom. Well done Ava for always being ready to learn and waiting your turn to share your ideas with the class. You make some fantastic contributions and are developing the qualities of a learner.





Senior Class report

As usual, things have been busy in the senior classroom in the last couple of weeks. We have continued our Poetry writing and have a wall full of amazing poems that we can share with each other. We have also taken on the role of **illustrators** to show our understanding of text through pictures.

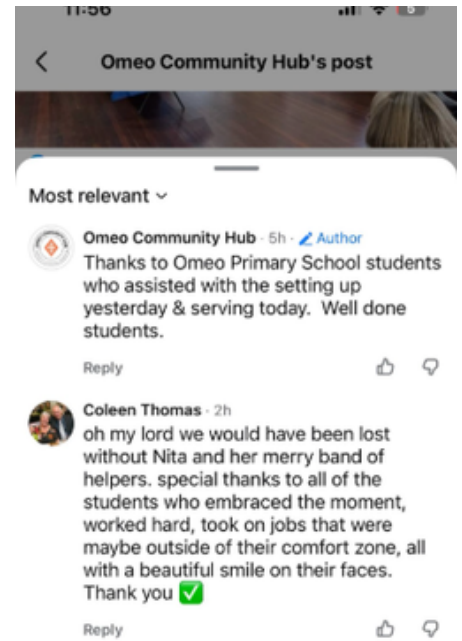
Last Thursday afternoon and Friday morning was exciting for our class as we assisted Colleen with the Biggest Morning Tea down at the Community Hub. This cause raises money and awareness of cancer. Our students helped to set up the hall doing things like setting tables, moving chairs and flower arranging. The next morning, we finished setting up the tables, helped served hot and cold food and talked to the guests to make them feel welcome. We all really enjoyed helping. It felt good to volunteer to help a good cause in the community. The event raised \$1952!

Today we saw the year 7 students from Swifts Creek Secondary College performing the play, "Luna Roo," to celebrate National Simultaneous Story Time. The idea of this celebration is that at the same date and time of day, people from all over Australia, will read *Luna Roo* at the same time. This is to celebrate the joy of reading, storytelling and connection. It was lovely to see last year's grade 6 students performing with such confidence. Well done.

We have started our visits to the Nursing Home again. We have been looking at old school games during Australian History, and I taught the students Knuckle Bones (5 stones.) The students have really enjoyed playing this game, so I am hoping that we can learn other games, that may have been forgotten from the past, through our visits. This week we coloured in sardines so that Leanne can create a display in the common room.

Thank you
Nita.

This is what Colleen wrote about us:



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Student of the week

Chloe Mitchell is an extremely enthusiastic student in everything we do at Omeo Primary School.

Chloe is a keen student during sporting activities and when playing in the yard. She is always trying her hardest, while displaying excellent sportsmanship, and doing her best. Chloe's commitment ensures she progresses to the next level in District sporting events and carnivals.

In the classroom, Chloe is a competitive, high achieving student. Her reading, writing and mathematics abilities are of a high level. Chloe loves to compete with her older sister in multiplication challenges. The whole class enjoys watching them.

Student of the week

Ben Parry is a hard-working student who works well in groups and independently.

Ben has created some excellent poetry during writing time and has proudly displayed them on the walls in our classroom. Ben willingly shares the stories he has read to the other members of the class with confidence, using lots of expression.

Ben gets along with everybody in the class. He participates in all sporting activities and games in the yard. Ben is a true friend and an excellent student living the values of inclusion, enjoyment and excellence. Well done Ben.



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Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term at Omeo Primary School

Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's primary school skipping challenge that helps kids move more, have fun, and raise funds for life-saving research and programs.

Register your child online, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.

www.jumprope.org.au/parents

By signing up online, you and your child/ren can:

- Easily raise funds online.
- Track skipping skills progress and earn virtual badges along the way.
- Post updates to your page so family and friends can follow their progress.
- Access additional skipping resources.

Students will be skipping at the start of each PE Lesson from now until the start of Term 2 and skipping ropes will be available to use during recess and lunch. We encourage you to share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on early Term 3, date TBC this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

Please reach out to Lynette if you have any questions.



Raise funds
and earn
cool prizes



How your child can
become a Heart Hero

Parents and
Guardians Guide

JUMP
ROPE *for*
HEART

Hi!
Pick one of us to be
your avatar when you
register online!
Get ready to unlock
accessories
and dress up!

Have fun
and learn
new tricks



Sign up at
jumprope.org.au/parents



Your support gives hope to thousands of families like Axel's

For Axel, skipping is more than just schoolyard fun, it's a way to honour his baby brother, Tanner. Tanner was born with a serious heart condition and passed away after only three weeks. That loss changed Axel's world and made heart health a deeply personal cause for his family.



“ Jump Rope for Heart encourages kids to think about doing things for others from a very young age. It's about helping other people. ”

Axel's mum, Amy

Now, Axel is giving back by actively participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program at his school. In his second year of the program, Axel's determined to keep mastering new tricks and putting his heart and soul into helping others.

How your donations can help

Formore than40years, families likeyourshave helped make innovative research and future medical breakthroughs possible.



\$50 can help get heart-healthy messages to families and kids everywhere.



\$200 could help train communities to have the skills and confidence to respondwhen someone's heart suddenly stops.



\$500 can help buy scientists the tools they need to understand hearts better.

Every dollar you raise will help fund vital research, support and programs that help save lives



Information for parents and guardians



Jump Rope for Heart at your school

Your school is taking part in Jump Rope for Heart – a skipping and fundraising program aimed at getting your child physically active, whilst learning about how to keep their heart healthy.

As your child takes part in the program they will become a Heart Hero, raising funds that will help fund powerful new research for all hearts in Australia.

What's involved

Jump Rope for Heart is a fun way for your child to be more physically active, leading them to a future of better health outcomes and reducing their risk of heart disease in adulthood.

Your child's teacher will organise skipping activities during school hours and encourage your child to skip at home by using our online resources!

How do I get my child started?

- ✓ **Register your child online.**
Visit jumprope.org.au/parents
- ✓ **Set your fundraising goal**
Show everyone what you're aiming to raise.
- ✓ **Make the first donation**
It helps get things moving and sets the bar for others.
- ✓ **Share your child's page with friends and family and ask them to donate to support your child's effort.**
Every dollar you raise will help fund vital research, support and programs that help save lives.
- ✓ **Log your child's skipping activity so they track their progress, earn virtual badges and unlock accessories for their avatars.**



This year, register and make a self-donation of \$35 or more to receive a Heart Foundation red-handle skipping rope!



Sign up at
jumprope.org.au/parents

Heart Heroes thank you prizes 2026

As you skip
and raise funds,
you'll earn
awesome badges
and prizes!



\$5,000 or more

**\$500 Gift Card for a Bike or
Basketball Hoop and Accessories**

+ one prize
from every
lower level



\$2,500-\$4,999

Razor Kick 2 Glow Scooter

+ one prize
from every
lower level



\$1,000-\$2,499

Kids Smart Watch



\$250-\$499

**Jump Rope for Hear tBucket
Hat and WaterBottle**



**BONUS
PRIZE!**

**Receive a Paddle Ball Set
when you raise \$250 or more**



\$500-\$999

Flying Orb Ball



\$100-\$249



\$60-\$99



**Self donate
\$35 or more**



Sign up at jumprope.org.au

These prize terms and conditions are produced by the National Heart Foundation of Australia ABN 98 008 419 761 (Heart Foundation). Students will receive only the prize indicated for the fundraising level achieved. Prizes may vary to that shown, including colours, designs, and models. The Heart Foundation reserves the right to substitute a prize with a similar product should the prize initially offered no longer be available. Students who raise \$250 or more will be entitled to receive the \$250 bonus prize as well as the respective prize for the total amount they have raised. Prizes will be sent out from the commencement of Term 2, 2026. Terms and conditions for participation (in addition to the above): 1. Prizes cannot be redeemed for their cash value. 2. Prizes will normally be delivered to the participant's school for distribution. 3. The Heart Foundation relies on information provided by each participant and cannot be held responsible for any information provided incorrectly in relation to funds raised by a participant. 4. Participants collecting cash donations must return the full amount raised, as detailed on the sponsorship form available at jumprope.org.au. 5. Jump Rope for Heart concludes at the end of the 2026 school year. Funds and paperwork for participants collecting cash donations are required to be returned to the Heart Foundation by 22 November 2026. Heart Foundation cannot guarantee prizes will be provided to schools if funds and paperwork are received after this date.

Omeo Rhyme Time with Emma Chapman



Dates for Term Two:

Friday 24th April

Friday 8th May

Friday 22nd May

Friday 5th June

Friday 19th June



Held fortnightly on Fridays

East Gippsland Shire Council Office - Omeo

9:30am-10:15am

Ages 0-5 yrs

No cost

Omeo Kindergym with Lily Hawkins

Dates for Term Two:

Monday 4th May

Monday 18th May

Monday 1st June

Monday 15th June



Omeo Hall
9:30am-
10:15am
Ages 0-5 yrs
No cost

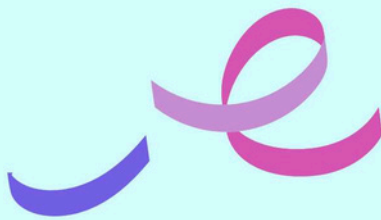
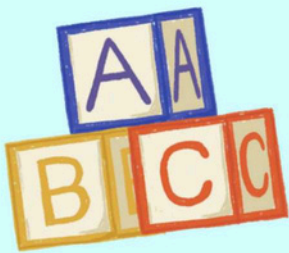
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KINDERGARTEN CENTRAL REGISTRATION SERVICE


Is your child attending a funded
3- or 4-year-old kindergarten in 2027?

From April 2026, families can register
for 3- or 4-year-old kindergarten through
Council's Central Registration Service



Contact the Early Years Team:

 earlyyears@egipps.vic.gov.au

 03) 5153 9500

Scan the QR Code



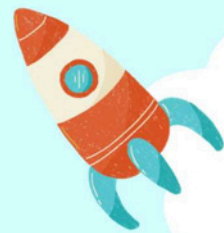
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KINDERGARTEN CENTRAL REGISTRATION SERVICE



The Central Registration Service ensures the process of registration and enrolment is simple, consistent, inclusive and equitable.

It provides a single point for families to register for multiple kindergarten services.



To allocate kindergarten places in line with the Department of Education's Priority of Access criteria.

First round offers open 1 April 2026 & close 30 June 2026.
You can complete a pre-registration form at any time.

Scan the QR code or visit our website to complete an online registration form.


Register for kindergarten in 4 easy steps:

1. **Register**- Family completes an online form
2. **Allocate** - Council carefully reviews all registrations and allocates kindergarten places
3. **Confirm**- Families receive a kindergarten offer
4. **Enrol**- Families complete the child's enrolment directly with the kindergarten.



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