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High School newsletter

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Adventure under the stars

Last week, our Year 7 crew packed their bags, laced up their boots, and set off on an unforgettable adventure! With nature as their stage and excitement in the air, they dived headfirst into a whirlwind of activities.

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What's Coming Up?

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Dr Joanne Bellette Principal's report

Sport, Sport, Sport

At Corowa High School we are incredibly blessed to be part of a school community where sport is such an integral part of our students' lives. Our students reap the benefits of this through the development of a life-long commitment to leading fit and healthy lives and our school benefits through the obvious talents that are on display when we compete against other schools in sporting competitions. Much of the kudos for our students' successes must, therefore, go to the local sporting clubs and coaches who have spent countless hours fostering this love of sport and the talents of our students.

In the first five weeks of this term alone we have seen incredible success for our students in various sports including:

- The Davidson Shield open boys' cricket competition where Corowa High has won the first two rounds against Deniliquin and Finley and now will progress to the third round on the 13th March;
- The Maree Cornish Cup open girls' cricket competition where Corowa High recently defeated Orange High School and has made it through to the top 4 in the state, their next round will likely be held in Bathurst; and
- Boys and Girls Basketball Selections where Amelia Frazer has been selected to represent the Riverina at the NSW state competition.

Over the next four weeks further sporting opportunities will be offered to our students at the following events:

- Zone Swimming where 23 students will represent Corowa High School (3rd March)
- Riverina Hockey Trials where 10 students will represent Corowa High School (5th March)
- Riverina Girls AFL Trials where 2 students will represent Corowa High School (7th March)
- Open Boys Basketball Knockout (10th March)
- Round three of the Boys Davidson Shield Cricket (13th March)
- Riverina Golf Stroke Play Championships (25th March)
- Open Girls Basketball Knockout (26th March)
- Semifinals of the Maree Cornish Cup in Girls Cricket (TBC)
- Riverina Boys AFL Trials (TBC)

Thanks to Mr Fisher, Ms Hynard, Mrs Filliponi and Mrs Davis who have enabled our students to engage in various sports through coordination of sporting fixtures and the management of teams. I look forward celebrating further sporting successes with our students and community throughout 2025.

Year 7 Camp

It has been many years since we last offered students an opportunity to attend a Year Camp, and we were very excited to see the reintroduction of the Year 7 Camp in Week 4 of this term. With opportunities to engage

in presentations around Water Safety from the Maritime NSW and Cyber Safety from the Police as well as various fun activities including kayaking and yoga our students were learning and building friendships for the whole two days. A special thanks must go to the staff who put in a mammoth effort to create a fun and successful camp including Mr Le Lievre, Mr Douglas, Ms Charles, Ms Hynard and Briony. Thanks too, to the Urana Caravan Park who shared their excellent facilities and the Urana Pavilion where we ran activities and prepared meals.

Safe and Respectful Schools

One year ago, Corowa High School became part of an initiative to strengthen respect for students and staff at school. The Addressing Occupational Violence campaign was launched with posters that reminded everyone to always treat our students and staff with kindness and respect, and that aggressive behaviour of any type will not be tolerated at school.

We continue to value our partnerships with you to support every student to learn, grow, and belong. It is up to us – the school and the parent-body - to be good respectful role models to our students. Together, we can create a safe and harmonious environment for our students and staff.

Please join us in continuing to supporting this work to create a positive change. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please contact the school.

Our Year Advisors are often the first port of call for students and their families when discussing learning and wellbeing. Year Advisors monitor both the learning and wellbeing of students in their year groups and liaise with other members of the wellbeing team, families and local support services to best support our students



Year 7 Advisor - Ms Hynard

Meet Miss Hynard, your Year 7 Advisor and the go-to teacher for all things tech and hands-on at Corowa High School! She's got a passion for Food Technology, Woodwork, and STEM, so get ready to roll up your sleeves and get creative. When she's not in the classroom, you might find her taking students fishing or skateboarding for some outdoor fun for sport. Oh, and did we mention she's also the coach for all the basketball teams?



Year 8 Advisor - Ms Everingham

Miss Everingham is our Year 8 Advisor and a dedicated teacher of PDHPE, PASS, Community and Family Studies, and Exploring Early Childhood. She is passionate about supporting students both in and out of the classroom, always encouraging them to reach their full potential. Outside of school, you might find Miss Everingham in the pool, at the gym, or out walking her dogs. Her love for sport and fitness extends beyond teaching, as she also plays a key role in school sports, serving as the Assistant Convenor of CHS Swimming. Miss Everingham is always here to support and guide our students, ensuring they feel connected, motivated, and ready to succeed!



Year 9 Advisor - Ms Daw

Mrs Daw is a dedicated Mathematics teacher at Corowa High, known for her passion for problem-solving and enthusiasm for sport. When she's not inspiring students in junior and senior Mathematics, she enjoys tackling logic puzzles or hitting the field for a game of football.



Year 10 Advisor – Mr Francis

Mr Francis is Corowa High Schools expert in Multimedia, Digital Technology and Computer Studies. He loves to play with video cameras, drones and experiment with making cool projects that use technology. Fun fact - Mr Francis is also a qualified Business Studies, Conspiracy Theories and Commerce teacher!



Year 11 Advisor - Ms Charles

Miss Charles is Corowa High School's dedicated Year 11 Advisor and teaches Geography, Agriculture, Commerce, and Business Studies. She's passionate about helping students make real-world connections through her lessons, whether it's exploring global trade, environmental sustainability, or agricultural innovation. Outside the classroom, Miss Charles is an avid ice hockey fan and proudly represents Victoria in dragon boating. Keep an eye out – you might spot her paddling hard on the water or cheering loudly at a hockey game!



Year 12 Advisor - Mr Bobbin

Mr Bobbin is always a friendly face at Corowa High School. He is the main teacher of the Tongarla class and has experience in teaching both secondary and primary school students. Mr Bobbin enjoys sport and is our hockey and table tennis coach.

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Year 7 camp!



Our Year 7 students recently returned from an unforgettable camp experience filled with adventure and teamwork. Throughout their time away, they participated in exciting bonding exercises, competed in thrilling kayak races, enjoyed a variety of water sports, and took on fun team-building games. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect, challenge themselves, and create lasting memories. Well done to everyone who took part!





Career Quest Find your Groove

On Monday 17 February representatives from Wodonga & Corowa TAFE colleges and Charles Sturt and LaTrobe Universities visited our school to speak to our Year 11 & 12 students about study options, early entry, scholarships, accommodation and other important information. We have strong connections with these training providers and many of our students choose to study locally.



Year 7 Science Burn Materials

Year 7 were burning various fabric types to observe and time which one burnt the fastest plus other observations (which smelt the most, stay lit the longest, had the most amount of smoke etc). They were doing this for the Unit of work: Science in the Workplace specifically studying safety in the lab (burns, fire safety).





Molly is Lions Youth of the Year!

We are pleased to extend our congratulations to Molly Maffei on her selection as Corowa Lions Youth of the Year.

School Captains Molly, Ella and Shaira went head to head last Monday evening at the Corowa Lions Club, competing for the coveted title and the opportunity to compete at the regional final later this term.

Students presented speeches to Lions Club members and judges at a dinner on Monday, but were also judged on interviews given prior to the dinner.

Ella was selected as winner of the public speaking section, while Molly was announced as overall winner. Thank you to the Corowa Lions Club and competition judges.

Student Executive make big plans

Our Student Executive team met for the first time in 2025 today. The panel of nine students are representatives from the SRC who will meet regularly with the Dr Bellette and Mr Le Lievre. They are making plans for an exciting school event in Term 2, for which more details will be released soon.

The Student Executive will also have the opportunity to discuss any school improvement ideas or student concerns with the Principals during these meetings.



Experience Clever Day La Trobe University

Monday 24 February- Year 10 and 11 students participated in a variety of workshops of their choosing throughout the day as well as the opportunity to take a campus tour - they also enjoyed lunch courtesy of the university - thankyou to Mrs Francis and Mr Bobbin who accompanied the students



Marie Cornish Shield

report

Corowa High played Orange High in the combined cricket knockout. Clodagh won the toss and elected to bat first. The girls had solid contributions from Clodagh (25), Tamir (17) and Savannah (17). They were bowled out for 110.

Orange began the run chase very well before they lost their first wicket at 29. Wickets fell at regular intervals and were bowled out for 94. Tamir 4 for 11 and Lilyanna 3 for 19 were the pick of the bowlers.

Well done to the girls on progressing to the final 8 of the State competition.



Davidson Shield match

report

On Monday Corowa High travelled to Deniliquin to play in the Combined High Schools Davidson Shield knockout competition.

In the first game Corowa played Deniliquin who won the toss and elected to bat first. The best of the bowlers were, Eli 4 for 9, Rhylee 2 for 3, Justin 1 for 11 and Callan 1 for 13. Deniliquin finished with 72 runs from their 20 overs. Corowa chased the total with 10 overs to spare. Justin made 24 and Joe finished with 18 not out.

In the second game Corowa took on Finley, who won the toss and elected to bat which meant Corowa would be chasing again. Finley finished with 70 runs from their 20 overs. The best bowlers were Eli 3 for 16, Levi 1 for 13 and Joe 0 for 5 off 4 overs. Corowa again chased down the score with 10 overs to spare. Joe finished with 42 not out.

The boys will now play the winner of Albury and Wagga.



Wednesday Clay Target

Over the past two weeks, we have had the opportunity to join Royce Wojtowycz at the Corowa Clay Target Club. Jacob, Byron, Rippon and Will have been great in mentoring the younger and newer participants.

With the help of Miss Everingham and Royce we help the younger ones with the basics of clay target and correct posture. We have enjoyed helping and hope that they can all continue in this sport. It is good to see this sport still running at Corowa High School.

A big thank you to Miss Everingham and Miss McCloy for dedicating their time to come and supervise and also share their knowledge of clay targets.

By Will, Byron, Jacob and Rippon

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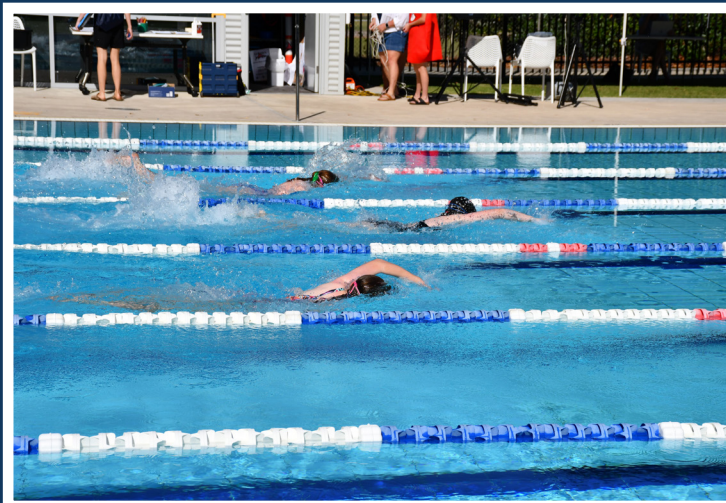
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Wednesday afternoon swimming

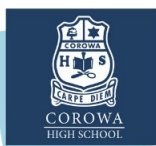
LOVE WHERE YOU LEARN

Our Year 7 students have been enjoying swimming as their Wednesday afternoon sport are having a wonderful time at the pool!



SCHOOL PHOTOS

4 MARCH



COROWA AUSTRALIAN BILLY CART CHAMPIONSHIPS

START
MAKING
YOUR CARTS
NOW!



Easter Saturday

ENTRIES OPEN!

ENTER YOUR SCHOOL, SPORTING TEAM,
CLUBS, GROUPS OR AS INDIVIDUALS.

DETAILS ON OUR FACEBOOK EVENT!



Corowa Australian Billy Cart Championships



Black Dog Institute

This Black Dog Institute webinar is free and open to all parents, caregivers, and anyone interested in supporting the mental health of teens in their care.

Topic: Teen Mental Health Matters: For Parents and Carers

Date & Time: 3 Mar 2025, 06:30 PM

Description: Webinar focused on providing strategies and resources to help you in supporting your teen.

Co-hosted by: A Clinical Psychologist facilitator, and Black Dog Institute lived experience presenter

Areas of exploration:

- How to make sense of adolescence.
- Identify signs of mental health struggles
- Understand how to support your teen
- Know where you and your teen can get support.

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NERrmKCOQe6GIq2hpRd_tg#/registration



Corowa High School's Year 7 in 2026 Welcome Evening

3 March

@ Corowa

High School

library

Year 6 students, parents and carers welcome!

Join us to learn all you need to know about commencing Year 7 in 2026.

No RSVP necessary.



5.30PM
NIBBLES
MEET & GREET

5:45PM
INFO SESSION

6:05PM
SCHOOL TOUR

6:30PM
QUESTION TIME

Questions? Call the office on (02) 6033 1889.



Parent-Teacher Interviews



17 MARCH

5-7.30pm @ school hall

**Book via Sentral for Parents
from 9AM on 10 March**

Stewart House donations

The Stewart House, NSW Public Education's Charity of choice, are currently undertaking a donation drive. If you would like to make a donation towards

this fantastic cause, donation envelopes are available in the front office.

Find out more about Stewart House or make an online donation here <https://www.stewarthouse.org.au/>



P&C AGM MEETING



7.00PM in the school office

17 MAR

COROWA HIGH SCHOOL



Upcoming events

Term 1, 2025

3 Mar	Zone Swimming Carnival
3 Mar	Year 6 Welcome Night
4 Mar	School Photos
11 Mar	Riverina Swimming Carnival
12, 13, 14 & 17 Mar	NAPLAN
17 Mar	P&C AGM Meeting
17 Mar	Parent Teacher Interviews
18 Mar	Year 10 Love bites
19 Mar	Year 11 Coolheads
21 Mar	Careers Expo Corowa TAFE
3, 4, 7 & 8 April	Preliminary Exams
9 Apr	Cross Country Carnival
11 Apr	Last Day of Term 1

FURTHER EVENTS ANNOUNCED CLOSER TO DATE!

More information will be made available about all events closer to the date.

Got questions? Call the office on (02) 6033 1889

Every Day Matters

If your child misses
as little as

1 day
per fortnight

they will miss

4 weeks
of school
per year

which adds up
to over

1 year
missed over
their school life



Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:



Learning



Strengthening friendships



Emotional development



Scan the QR code
to learn more

GET CONFIDENT MAKING FRIENDS!

Join our social skills program for teens 2025

AUTISTIC/ADHD TEEN ?

PEERs is a social skills program for the enrichments of relational skills and to build confidence in making and keeping friends. It has been designed specifically for individuals 13-17 who identify as autistic, adhd, or experience social anxiety or challenges with making friends.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

PEERs is a 13 week group program and also includes a social coaching group for parents or caregivers

CAN I USE NDIS ?

Yes! Most likely if you have Capacity Building Funding or specific funds allocated for a social skills program. We can help you confirm this.

WHAT IS COVERED

A lot! We have a lot of fun as well, but here is a range of topics we discuss:

- Trading Information
- Conversation skills
- Use of Electronic Communication
- Appropriate friends
- Having get together
- Using humour
- Good Sportsmanship
- Handling disagreements
- Minimising teasing
- Handling a bad reputation and gossip

CONTACT:

Phone: 0432 702 352
Email hello@brendaspilva.com

WHEN AND WHERE

Yarrowonga location

Commencing 7th May 2025
13 week program

Time to be confirmed in the evening

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

Call or email to book an intake session and we can discuss the program with you in more detail.

positive period workshop

4:30PM - 5:30PM
WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOONS
FIRST GROUP
STARTS
5TH MARCH

Are you finding it hard to start the conversation around periods, or you're finding resistance to your attempts to start the conversation with your daughter?
Is she aged between 10-13 and on the cusp of womanhood?

- Do you think about your own period knowledge as a young girl and wished you knew more?
- You want a daughter who is confident and comfortable with her first period and what puberty brings?
- Do you envisage having open and honest conversations with your daughter and the confidence to answer her questions?
- Do you want to connect with your daughter on a level that acknowledges their transition from child to young women?
- This workshop will be perfect for her and you.

Learn to navigate your way around your phases and seasons within a small and supportive group.

Facilitated by
Brenda Spilva
+ Sarah Binnie

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Free Maths Tutoring



Come to get help with assignments, homework, and work in class. Bring your lunch and maths questions!

Mrs Daw Monday in A6

Mr Walkinshaw Thursday A5

Ms Pattinson Friday A7

COME & TRY HOCKEY!

SUNDAY 2ND MARCH

9AM - 11AM

BALL PARK, COROWA

FIRST 25 TO ARRIVE WIN A PRIZE!



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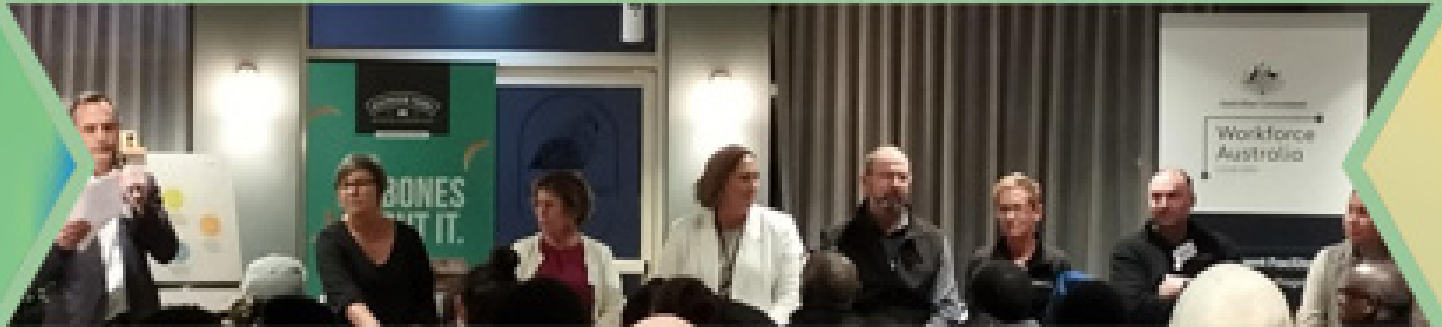
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REGIONAL BUSINESS CHAMBER



<https://www.corowachamber.net/>

Employment Expo



Panel of Local Employers

Learn about different roles & Career Paths

Speed dating style Interviews

Apply for positions on the spot

Connect with TAFE NSW

When & Where

Friday 21st March

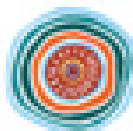
Arrive @ 12:15pm

12:30-2:30pm

TAFE NSW Corowa

Community Learning Centre

2 Murray St, Corowa NSW



Department of Primary Industries
and Regional Development

SCAN QR Code below or email
to register by 23rd March 2025

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