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High School newsletter

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Corowa High's Clay Target team had an impressive day competing at the Interschools Championships. Read all about their success on page 3!

What's Coming Up?

27 Oct	P&C Meeting
28 Oct	Year 5 Day
29 Oct	Davidson Shield Cricket Regional Final
30 Oct	Year 10 Careers Excursion
31 Oct	SRC Casual Clothes Day Halloween
3-7 Nov	Junior Exams 7-10
4 Nov	Year 4 Day
6 Nov	Year 12 Sign-out day
10 Nov	Year 12 Graduation Dinner
12 Nov	SRC Sunshine Walk



Mr Phillip Le Lievre Deputy Principal's report

It's been a very busy and productive start to the term at Corowa High School, and I'd like to take this opportunity to share some of the highlights and upcoming events with our school community.

HSC Exams

Our Higher School Certificate (HSC) examinations are now well underway. Early feedback from students has been very positive, with many reporting that they feel confident about their performance so far. Although regular classes are not currently running for our senior students, I'd like to remind everyone that teachers are still available for support. Students are encouraged to contact their teachers or come into school if they would like some extra help or guidance in the lead-up to their remaining exams.

Year 7–10 Exams

Our Years 7–10 examinations have also commenced. These assessments play an important role in preparing students for

their future studies, particularly as they move towards the senior years and the HSC. They also provide a valuable opportunity for formal assessment of the learning that has taken place throughout the year.

Teachers have been running revision sessions during class time and offering additional lunchtime support sessions to help students feel confident and prepared. I encourage all students to take advantage of these opportunities.

Extension Days

Looking ahead, we're excited to welcome Year 4 and Year 5 students from our partner primary schools for our Annual Extension Days at Corowa High School. These days are always extremely popular and provide a wonderful opportunity for primary students to experience what high school life is like—meeting staff, exploring our facilities, and participating in engaging learning activities.

Transition Week

In Week 8, we will be holding our Transition Week for incoming Year 7 students (our 2026 cohort). This is a full five-day program where students will receive their 2026 timetables, meet their teachers and classmates, and experience a true taste of high school life. It's always an exciting and memorable week for our newest members of the Corowa High community.

Parents who would like more information about Transition Week are encouraged to contact the Front Office.

Class Roll-Over and New Timetables

Finally, a reminder that our whole school will roll over into the new academic year at the start of Week 6. Students will receive their new timetables in Week 4 and if they haven't already, they can confirm their elective subjects via the notice board outside my office.



Clay Target Champions!

Corowa High's Clay Target team recently travelled to Benalla to compete in the Annual Interschools Championships event.

The day started off cold but soon transformed into ideal conditions, with sunshine and a cool breeze setting the scene for 115 competitors from across Victoria and Corowa to vie for the prestigious perpetual awards.

The team, consisting of Jacob, Will, Byron and Will, rose to the challenge and delivered an outstanding performance, winning the team's event. Byron helped seal the deal, leading the team with a very impressive 23 out of 30 and taking out 3rd in his category.

The students represented the school with pride and respect, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and school spirit throughout the day.

The team cannot wait to go back and add more engravings to the long list of Corowa High successes.



From wood to wonderful

Timber tables

Our Timber Technology students are hard at work crafting beautiful tables! Their skills and attention to detail are really coming together as they bring their projects to life. We can't wait to see the finished pieces!



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Creativity shines bright

We are proud of all the students who entered their artwork and woodwork into this year's Corowa Show. Their creativity and hard work shone through, with several students achieving first and second place in their categories.

Congratulations to all who participated for sharing their talents and representing our school with such skill and enthusiasm!





Engaging with history

We are pleased to share that Mr Martin Douglas recently participated in an exciting History Teachers' Professional Learning (PL) event held in Sydney, focused on the new syllabus content addressing Aboriginal Peoples' Experiences of Colonisation. This PL provided valuable insights into authentic and meaningful ways to teach this important aspect of Australian history.

Mr Douglas had the opportunity to work alongside the History Teachers Association (HTA), the organisation Culture is Life, and renowned Aboriginal filmmaker Rachel Perkins. Together, they contributed to the development of a rich resource designed to help teachers engage their students deeply with Aboriginal histories and perspectives.

During the session, Mr Douglas spoke about the collaboration and highlighted practical strategies that educators can use to deliver Aboriginal content with respect and authenticity. These approaches aim to foster a genuine understanding and appreciation among students, enriching their learning experience.

He described the professional learning as both inspiring and enjoyable, underlining the value of ongoing teacher development in delivering culturally responsive education.

We congratulate Mr Douglas for his commitment to enhancing his teaching practice and look forward to seeing these new methods enrich history lessons at our school.



Pastry creations

Stage 5 Cooking up a Storm students recently showcased their creativity by designing pastries using ingredients of their choice. Their innovative and delicious creations highlighted their growing skills and passion for cooking. Well done to all students for their fantastic efforts!





Gnocchi masterclass

On Wednesday 22 October, Cooking Up a Storm students were busy whipping up delicious homemade gnocchi—tastebuds were definitely in for a treat!



Last Thursday, 16 October, ten Year 8 students proudly represented Corowa High School by assisting with the Corowa Public School Open Gardens morning tea. The students helped cater for over 120 members of the public, serving tea and coffee, plating food, and keeping the service area clean and welcoming. Their teamwork, enthusiasm, and professionalism were greatly appreciated by the organisers and guests alike.

Well done to all involved!

Message from Corowa Public School

Mrs Helen Duncan, Principal

I just wanted to say a big thank you for allowing Mrs Hynard and your hospitality students to assist on our Open Garden Day. The students did an incredible job and we received many positive comments from people who attended regarding their high-quality service. The students showed great enthusiasm and skill, and their help really made the event special for everyone who came along. We could not have done this without them.

We really appreciate the support from Corowa High and look forward to working together again.

Helping hands shine!





Joe Lavis and Austin Ross-Anderson got the home team off to a good start before Austin was out for 17. Eli Lavis came and went quickly. Joe was the third wicket to fall for a well made 43. Harry Norman made a solid and patient 32 while wickets fell at regular intervals around him. Corowa were well below par when the 9th wicket fell. Jagger Doody (14) and Abe Spencer (13) put on 32 for the last wicket to take the score to a respectable 152.

Semi Final smash

Corowa took on Coolamon in the Regional semi final of the prestigious CHS Davidson Shield Cricket Knockout at Corowa's Ball Park.

Coolamon won the toss and elected to bowl first on what looked like a good batting strip.

Corowa's bowling attack and athleticism in the field never allowed Coolamon in the game, bowling them out for 63 runs. Highlighting their bowling stocks the home team used 9 bowlers with 7 of them taking wickets. Joe and Eli Lavis both took 1 for 9 while Harry Norman backed up his batting with 2 for 16. Other wicket takers were Levi Phibbs, Jacob Wilson, Jagger Doody and Archie Rhodes.

Corowa now takes on Narrandera in the Regional Final in an attempt to remain undefeated at a Regional level for a remarkable 7 straight years.

Pasta perfection



On Wednesday Year 8 Technology students rolled up their sleeves and got creative in the kitchen, making a delicious pasta dish from scratch! Great teamwork and tasty results all around. Well done, Year 8!

Hands-on livestock learning

We are excited to announce that we have sheep on loan from Mr Powys at Murray High School until Week 10.

This wonderful opportunity allows our students to gain practical experience in livestock handling and husbandry. Through activities such as mustering and drenching, students will develop valuable skills and a deeper understanding of animal care.

A big thank you to Mr Powys for supporting our hands-on learning program!





P&C MEETING

6.30PM in the school office

27 OCT



SRC'S HALLOWEEN CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

Please wear appropriate clothes & shoes for your classes. Gold coin donation.

31 OCT



Intereach Family Mental Health Support Service GENERAL INFORMATION

Early Warning Signs:

Most families can tell when something is out of the ordinary, but there are also signs that suggest a child or young person may be experiencing a mental health problem.

These include:

- not enjoying or wanting to be involved in things they normally enjoy,
- concentration difficulties,
- changes in appetite or sleeping patterns,
- being angry for no reason or easily irritated,
- difficulty coping at school,
- seeming stressed, down, worried or crying for no reason,
- expressing negative thoughts,
- engaging in risky behaviours, or
- relationship difficulties.

Suggestions to help young people stay healthy & build positive mental health.

Encourage them to:

- be nice to themselves,
- make a list of things they like doing, and do them more often,
- get involved with family and friends or do something nice for someone else,
- be conscious of things that make you feel strong and good,
- try to work on what they can control,
- be active, eat well & sleep well,
- find at least one thing that makes them laugh every day,
- ask for help & get support if needed- it's ok to say 'I'm not ok'

ROAR is not a crisis service. If you have immediate concerns for your own or someone else's safety please contact

Lifeline Ph: 13 11 14

Kids Helpline Ph: 1800 55 1800

NSW Mental Health line Ph: 1800 011 511

Emergency services Ph: 000

Contact Us:

Phone: 1300 488 226

Email: roar@intereach.com.au

www.intereach.com.au

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Intereach Family Mental Health Support Service PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

What is the program about?

ROAR aims to improve the emotional health and wellbeing of children and young people. It provides early intervention support to people up to the age of 18, and their families, who may be showing early signs of, or are at risk of developing a mental health issue.

How can the program help?

We offer a range of support such as:

- short-term assistance for families, children & young people,
- long-term, early intervention case management support, and
- community outreach, mental health education & community development activities.

How does the program work?

We work with people in their home, the community, or any place they feel safe. It is a free and confidential service. A formal diagnosis of mental illness is not required.

We accept referrals from anyone, including self-referrals. We conduct a brief screening to ensure that ROAR is the appropriate service for them.

We operate from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Where does the program operate?

We work with people in the local government areas of Balranald, Wentworth, Berrigan, Hay, Conargo, Deniliquin, Wakool, Corowa, Murray, Jerilderie, Urana, Murrumbidgee, Narrandera, Wagga Wagga, Lockhart, Leeton, Temora, Griffith, Carrathool, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Gundagai and Junee.

If you live outside of this area, phone us and we can refer you.

Where do I start?

Phone us, and ask for the ROAR program, or email us.

Contact Us:

Phone: 1300 488 226

Email: roar@intereach.com.au

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need someone to talk to?



If you've been feeling down or anxious and not coping at school, perhaps it's time to reach out and relax.

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#reachoutandrelax



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Student access to NSWEdUChat Information for parents and carers

NSWEduChat is a generative artificial intelligence tool owned and designed by the NSW Department of Education. It is designed to be safe, educational, secure and private.

Student access to NSWEdUChat

Students in Year 5 to Year 12 will gain access to NSWEdUChat in Term 4, 2025.

Safety of students using NSWEdUChat

NSWEduChat data is secured. All data stays within the department. This means that students can input their work and personal identifying information safely into NSWEdUChat.

Educational design of NSWEdUChat

NSWEduChat does not simply provide the full answers to questions. It responds to students by asking open-ended questions. This encourages students to explore and share their thoughts and reasoning.

NSWEduChat only uses text. This means it cannot produce media such as pictures, video or music.

Using NSWEdUChat for help with homework and assessment tasks

If schools advise that NSWEdUChat can be used for homework or assessments, students should notify their teachers if they have used NSWEdUChat in completing tasks. This includes using NSWEdUChat for tasks such as, but not limited to, summarising study notes, definition of key terms or structuring text. Schools should communicate the ways in which students can reasonably notify their teachers.

Access to NSWEdUChat at home

Students can access NSWEdUChat at home through:

- the student portal at <https://portal.education.nsw.gov.au/>
- directly via chat.education.nsw.gov.au

Students will need to log in using their NSW Department of Education login. Only the student who logged in should use NSWEdUChat.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this tool, please contact the principal.



For more information and access to the NSWEdUChat parental privacy notice, visit: [Student use of NSWEdUChat](#).

