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Happy Easter from CPS!

In the last week of Term 1, our staff hit the road once again, but this time they were spreading the Easter spirit! We hope that students enjoyed their Easter eggs as much as we enjoyed seeing your faces and your beautiful Easter-themed art works.





Corowa Connects

with Mrs Baily

It's been tough, but you're doing a great job!

It's Term 2 - Yeah! What a fabulous job everyone has done with remote learning. This has been one of the most challenging years I have ever seen in education, but our school community has done a fabulous job in keeping it all together.

Back to school and social distancing

We know it has been tough and as of Monday 11 May, students (who are still at home) will be allocated a day of face-to-face learning at school. We will get information out to you as soon as possible about the days your family have been allocated. Thank you to those parents that have called the school to let us know their circumstances have changed. We are working with these families to ensure their children's education continues.

Please be aware we still have strict social distancing processes in place and everyone needs to stick by these. We ask that parents and carers:

- Do not enter the school site without an appointment.

Please call the office on (02) 6033 1606 and a staff member will assist you with your needs.

- Provide lunch, recess and a drink bottle for your children when they attend school. Please be aware that at this time the school canteen is not operational and bubblers are not to be used, so drink bottles will be filled from a tap.
- Please ensure that students bring learning packs and any borrowed devices when they are at school.

Mother's Day is just around the corner

Heads up, Dads! Mother's Day is only ten days away and there will be no P&C Mother's Day stall at school, so it is up to you to ensure that your child has something to give mum on Mother's Day. Why not get creative and encourage the kids to make a gift, help make a special dinner or breakfast and spoil mum!

We are looking forward to getting back to normal and hopefully COVID-19 will be behind us soon and we can move forward.



Home learning legends

We are so proud of all of our students for the way they have taken their new home learning situation in stride. These changes have tested all of us and will continue to do so as we move forward with the 1-day-per-week return to school in Week 3. Rest assured that we will get through this together and COVID-19 will soon be distant memory.

Bike riding in breaks for Barbers

Rhylee and Jackson have been keeping active during their home learning!

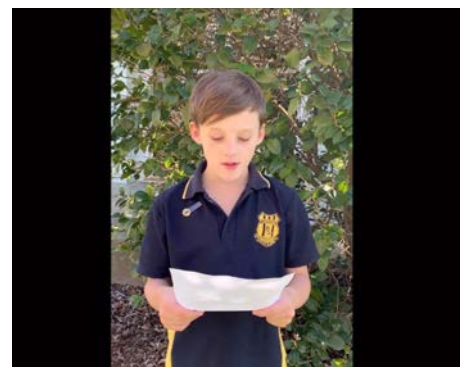
The brothers have followed our online PDHPE tutorials and gone for bike rides during their brain breaks.

Keep up the great work!



ANZAC Day service in isolation

We had to be creative with our ANZAC service this year due to COVID-19 social distancing measures. Our School Captains teamed up with Mr Cook and Aria Glare to create a fantastic ANZAC service film, which can be viewed on our school Facebook page. Well done to everyone who made an ANZAC wreath for the front of our school.



Willow is back at school!

Today was Willow's first day at school since the social distancing measures were announced and she has been very excited to see the small group of students who are learning on site.

She is patiently waiting for Week 3 when students begin their return to school. In the meantime, there are lots of new smells to smell, treats to eat and teachers to keep company.



10 top tips to help protect your children online

1

Build an open trusting relationship around technology — keep communication open and supportive so your child knows they can come to you if something goes wrong or does not feel right online.

2

Co-view and co-play with your child online. This will help you better understand what they are doing and why they enjoy an app, game or website, as well as providing a great opportunity to start conversations about online safety.

3

Build good habits and help your child to develop digital intelligence and social and emotional skills — such as respect, empathy, critical thinking, responsible behaviour and resilience — and practice being good online citizens.

4

Empower your child — wherever possible, help them make wise decisions for themselves, rather than telling them what to do. Try to provide them with strategies for dealing with negative online experiences that will build their confidence and resilience.

5

Use devices in open areas of the home — this can help you manage and be aware of who your child interacts with online through phones, tablets, smart TVs, gaming consoles and other connected devices.

6

Set time limits that balance time spent in front of screens with offline activities — a **family technology plan** can help you to manage expectations around where and when technology use is allowed — you could even fill in an Early Years **Family Tech Agreement**.

7

Know the apps, games and social media sites your kids are using, making sure they are age-appropriate, and learn how to limit **messaging or online chat** and **location-sharing** functions within apps or games, as these can expose your child to unwanted contact and disclose their physical location. For more advice

- **The eSafety Guide** includes information to help parents and carers choose safer apps and report and block unwanted contact and sexual approaches.

8

Check the privacy settings on the games and apps your child is using and make sure their profiles are turned on to the strictest privacy setting. Restrict who can contact your child or ask them to check in with you before accepting new friends.

9

Use available technologies to set up parental controls on devices that can filter harmful content, monitor your child's use and limit or block their time on connected devices or functions (e.g. cameras, in-app purchases).

10

Be alert to signs of distress and know where to go for more **advice and support**.

- Report harmful online content to eSafety at **esafety.gov.au/report**.
- Contact a free **parent helpline** or one of the other many great **online counselling and support services** for help. Kids, teens and young adults can contact **Kids Helpline** online or by phone on 1800 551 800 and the service also provides guidance for parents.



Would you like to borrow books from the school library?

JUST FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS!

1



Mondays & Wednesdays - Drop your books into the big blue tub out the front of the school gates between 8.00am and 9.30am.

Make sure they are in a clean, clearly labelled library bag.

2



Collect your library bag on the same afternoon between 3.00pm and 3.30pm.

Bags will be spread out along the fence line.

3



You may write Mrs Brewster a letter requesting specific books and she will do her best. You can borrow up to 10 library books at a time and include as many Premiers Reading Challenge titles as possible.

4



After each collection, books will be set aside for five days before returning to circulation, following school library hygiene protocols.

Happy reading!



TheirCare

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Amazing Before + After School Care Programs

Corowa Public School



About the program

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children and an environment where children come and enjoy their time in their program. During sessions children develop life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity through play.

Corowa Public School has partnered with **TheirCare** to provide quality care, flexibility and commitment to deliver on our promise to your school community.

Operation Times		Fees*	Out of Pocket	Average^
Before School Care	6:30am – 8.30am	\$17.25	\$2.59 - \$17.25	\$2.59
After School Care	3:00pm - 6:00pm	\$26.95	\$4.04 - \$26.95	\$4.04
Pupil Free Day	6:30am – 6:00pm	\$70.00	\$10.50 - \$70.00	\$10.50
Holiday Program	6:30am – 6:00pm	\$70.00	\$10.50 - \$70.00	\$10.50
Late Booking Cancellation Fee	Within 48 hours	\$5.00	\$5.00	
Cancellation Fee	Same Day	Full Fee	See BSC/ASC	

Service Phone Number: 0487 501 258 Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410

How to Enrol

Visit **TheirCare** website: www.theircare.com.au and click on 'Book Now' in the top right hand corner to register your child's details.

*Standard fees excluding incursion / excursion costs

^Based on ABS published average family income for the suburb the school is located