



# COROWA

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## CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 6

Congratulations to our graduating class of 2021! After 7 years of Primary school education, you have made it! You are all wonderful students of our school and have been great role models to your peers, you should be very proud. Congratulations and Good Luck in achieving all of your dreams in the future. Let's take a look back at some memories.



## What's Coming up?

<b>Feb 1</b>	First Day of Term 1 (Kindergarten students start at 9:30am)
<b>Week 2 &amp; 3</b>	Years 1-6 Swimming Program (Mon 7, Tue 8, Thurs 10, Fri 11, Mon 14, Tue 15 & Wed 16)
<b>Feb 17</b>	Swimming Carnival

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# Corowa Connects

## *with Ms Stanton*

Wow, what a way to end the year – definitely not the way we wanted to farewell 2021.

I would like to thank each and every family for their understanding over the last week, when decisions were being made externally, and not always as quickly as we would have liked. Our priority was, at all times, to keep our whole school community safe so that we all get to enjoy the Christmas we planned.

I would also like to thank my truly amazing office staff who have done a monumental job of helping me keep you all informed about new decision and updated advice as quickly as we possibly could.

### **Presentation Day & Kindergarten Graduation**

Today we pioneered 'Zoom Presentation and Kindergarten Graduation'. Not the celebration that we had planned, but we would like to thank every one of you who were able to join us. Certificates and awards will be delivered by my helpful office elves tomorrow!

### **Year 6**

Our Year 6 students have not had the opportunity to say goodbye in the traditional way, however, we do know that they have been enjoying the opportunity to join in their Zoom sessions with Mrs McLeod and Mr Shelley.

Throughout their time with us, they have been a truly amazing group of individuals who have grown into mature and independent people who we are very proud to have had as part of our school community, no matter how long they have been with us. We have been privileged to see them grow academically, socially and in their sporting endeavours; their individual personalities and senses of humour have made them unique and given us many a laugh.

As they move into high school, we hope they remember their time at Corowa PS and aren't too embarrassed to say hello to us if we see them out and about!

We do have some good news for them:

Save the date – The Year 6 Farewell has been re-booked for Thursday, 27th January 2022 – same time and place! Parents will receive an email and text regarding this event before the end of the week. We are all really excited that we will get to spend an evening with them and give them the farewell that they deserve.

### **This week's Shout Out!**

This week I would like to recognise our 2021 Student leaders whose maturity and leadership skills have been impressive throughout the year. In the last two weeks alone, they have had to display flexibility and a willingness to expand their skills – and that was just with our presentation days.

On behalf of our whole school community, I would like to thank them for being such excellent role models and outstanding leaders. I would like to wish them all the best for their high school journey and hope that they don't forget their experiences at CPS!

They should be proud of the way they have been consistently caring, respectful and responsible.







## 2022 Student Leaders

Congratulations to our 2022 Student leaders, whose leadership qualities have earned them the respect of their peers and seen them elected to represent the students of our school. I know they are a little nervous, and very excited about their new roles. They are going to be great! Our new leaders will receive their badges at a special assembly at the beginning of next year (hopefully, it will be here in the hall)



## Final words for 2021...

As we finish 2021, I would like to thank the amazing staff at our school – every single one of them – for the time and effort that they have put in this year to make our school a great place to learn and work. It is always gratifying when visitors to the school say: 'this school has a great feel'. That 'feel' comes from the relationships our students and staff have and the way that everyone feels comfortable and supported.

For those of you, staff, students and families, who are moving on to different locations and adventures in 2022, I wish you all the best.

For everyone, I wish you a truly merry Christmas and hope that you are spending it with family and friends. Treasure this time together. May 2022 be a great year and be a bit more 'normal' – it will be a pleasure to see our students back on February 1st!

It has been a pleasure to lead this school over the last 6 months,

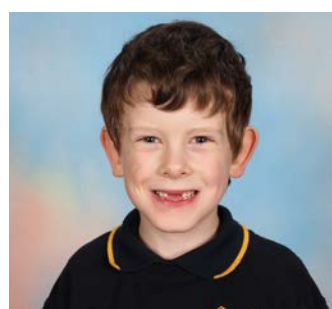
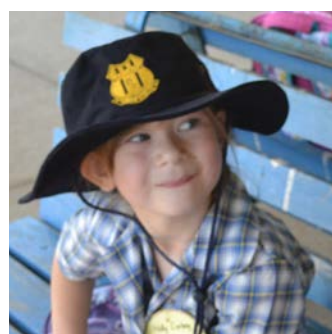
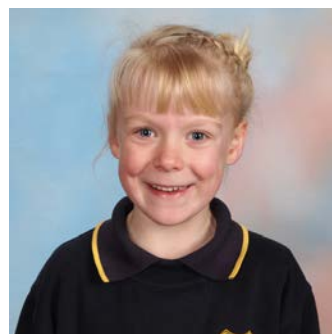
Take care and stay safe

Ms Angela Stanton

Relieving Principal



# KINDERGARTEN 2015



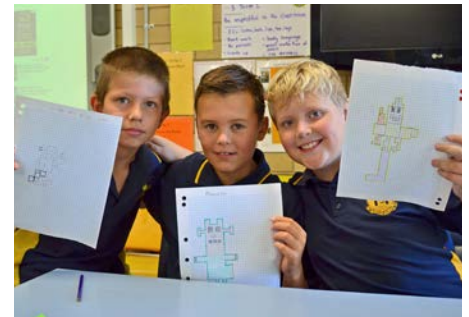




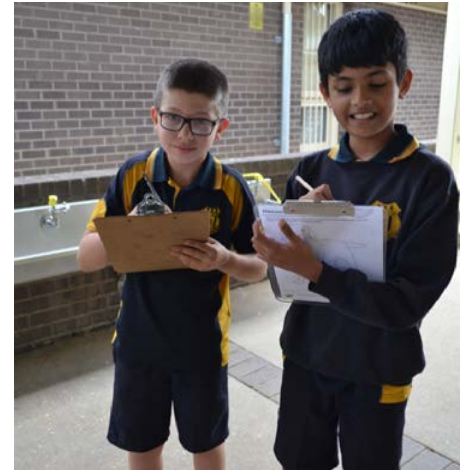
# THROUGH THE YEARS

















## CONGRATULATIONS MRS GRIGG

In February 1977, Mrs Carmel Grigg began her first year teaching in Rockdale Sydney where only four students spoke English. Carmel taught at various schools across Sydney and Corowa throughout her career before settling into Corowa Public School in 1997 where she began teaching the Kindergarten class full time.

Carmel has spent the last 24 years at CPS teaching many students, some of which have gone on to become colleagues! In 2016, Carmel taught her last face to face Kindergarten class, which was also the same and only year she taught any of her 4 children or 12 grandchildren, her grandson Levi. Since then, Carmel has taken on the role of Learning and Support. This role provided great satisfaction for her in supporting children and their families through school and their learning journey.

Some of Carmel's greatest memories through her teaching career include taking excursions to Melbourne Zoo and Scienceworks with busloads of children, Dress up Days such as Book Week and many school concerts. Some of her favourite years were her team teaching years where she shared a room with another teacher. Carmel loves watching children go through school and then catching up with them years later in the community.

After 44 years, Mrs Grigg will be putting her feet up and enjoying her retirement with her family. From all students and staff, past and present, thank you for your amazing service and congratulations on your retirement.





## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Students who participated in the Premier's Reading Challenge have been presented with their participation certificates. 202 students at CPS completed the challenge and 4 of these students received their gold certificate for completing the challenge over 4 consecutive years.

Mrs Brewster is very proud of the achievements of students who participated. Many students in years 3-6 really pushed themselves to read more challenging books and explore different authors and genres. To complete the challenge, students in years 3-6, read 20 or more books and uploaded their reading record using the PRC app. Students in K-2 enjoyed reading 30 books as a class during library lessons. Sharing stories builds connections, develops a sense of empathy, and fosters a love of reading.

Shoutout to the Kangaroo class who were out in the garden at the time, so Mrs Brewster is holding onto their certificates. The Premier's Reading Challenge will be a big feature of library learning in 2022.







# Back to School



All students return,  
**Tuesday Feb 1, 2022**

Kindergarten begin at **9:30am**





YEAR 6  
CLASS OF 2021  
**SAVE**  
THE  
**DATE**

JAN • 27 • 2022

Corowa RSL from 6pm.  
More Information to come.





# SWIMMING PROGRAM



**YEAR 1 - 6**

**WEEK 2 & 3, 2022**

PLEASE BRING: DRINK BOTTLE, GOGGLES, TOWEL,  
SUNSCREEN, SCHOOL HAT, SWIMMERS & A RASHIE.

A Reminder that payment is  
due for those who have  
returned notes. Payment  
can be made online.



## SWIMMING CARNIVAL

**FEB 17**



**STUDENTS  
TURNING 8 OR  
OLDER IN 2022**



Corowa Medical Centre will be running COVID-19 vaccination clinics for children aged 5-12 years commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

Appointments can be booked through our website [www.corowamed.com.au](http://www.corowamed.com.au) or by phoning the Clinic on 02 6030 5500.

All patients MUST have a Vaccination Consent Form completed prior to their vaccination. We ask that you please complete this form (located on our website or available from Reception staff) and bring with you to your appointment on the day.

Should you have any queries please refer to our website or contact the practice on 02 6030 5500.



## Template | Social Media Communication for Parents and Carers Holiday Wellbeing Supports

This year has presented many challenges and new experiences for our young people. It is normal for them to be experiencing some mixed emotions. Whilst the holiday period can be a time for relaxation and fun, this can also be a challenging time for some young people being away from usual routines and adjusting to changes. Keeping a check on our young people's mental health and wellbeing will be vitally important.

Here are some resources that can help parents and families to support young people during the holiday period and at other times when needed:

- Reach Out has [tips to support teenager wellbeing](#)
- [Parentline](#) has advice around a range of topics that can assist parents in supporting young people
- [Head to Health](#) to help you find services and resources to help yourself or your young person.
- Headspace has some tips on [Keeping healthy over the holidays - for friends and family](#)
- BeyondBlue has some tips on [Supporting healthy home and habits](#)
- [Beyond Blue](#) on how to start conversations when you are worried about your young person

You can also find support from the services below:



**Mental Health Services and Support**

<b>Beyond Blue</b> 24/7 mental health support service <b>1300 22 4636</b> <a href="http://beyondblue.org.au">beyondblue.org.au</a>	<b>headspace</b> Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25 <b>1800 650 890</b> (9am-1am daily) For webchat, visit: <a href="http://headspace.org.au/eheadspace">headspace.org.au/eheadspace</a>	<b>Kids Helpline</b> 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25 <b>1800 55 1800</b> <a href="http://kidshelpline.com.au">kidshelpline.com.au</a>	<b>1800RESPECT</b> 24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse <b>1800 737 732</b> <a href="http://1800respect.org.au">1800respect.org.au</a>
<b>Lifeline</b> 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services <b>13 11 14</b> <a href="http://lifeline.org.au">lifeline.org.au</a>	<b>Suicide Call Back</b> 24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide <b>1300 659 467</b> <a href="http://suicidecallbackservice.org.au">suicidecallbackservice.org.au</a>	<b>Mensline</b> 24/7 counselling service for men <b>1300 78 99 78</b> <a href="http://mensline.org.au">mensline.org.au</a>	<b>QLife</b> LGBTI peer support and referral <b>1800 184 527</b> (6pm-10pm daily) <a href="http://qlife.org.au">qlife.org.au</a> (online chat 3pm-12am daily)

**If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.**

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**(You may also wish to include supports within your school and local community)**