

Corowa South Public School Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Welcome to Week 6 and the second half of Term 3. Hopefully we will see signs of warmer weather approaching. I know our lawns and gardens are beginning to grow fast.

We're beginning discussions around planning for the 2021 year. To enable our planning to be as up to date as possible, we would like to know our proposed enrolment numbers, particularly those who are starting their very first year of school in Kindergarten. If you've a neighbour or friend who's got almost school aged children (or know someone moving into the area), please ask them to get in touch with us for enrolment into the 2021 year.

UPDATED COVID-19 GUIDELINES

In regards to parents onsite:

Non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events. This includes parents and carers except for face-to-face parent/teacher meetings that are essential (eg to discuss disciplinary or other welfare matters).

P&C meetings should continue on-line only. P&C social events or functions are not permitted.

Parents are encouraged to adhere to social distancing expectations when collecting students at the end of the day from the front or back school gate areas of the school.

In regards to students:

Vigilance in ensuring that students do not attend school if they are unwell. In line with the Department of Education recommendations **students absent or sent home due to flu like symptoms need to be tested. Students must not return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free. Schools must sight the negative COVID-19 test result prior to allowing students to return to school.** Parents/carers are reminded that students must not come to school if they are unwell, even with very mild symptoms.

Our teachers must continue to be vigilant in recognising if any students are exhibiting flu like symptoms during teaching and learning activities. Where identified they must refer the student to the school's sick bay where they can be isolated and the school must arrange for the parent or carer or emergency contact to take the student home.

Schools should encourage the immediate COVID-19 testing for any student or staff member identified as being unwell.

School uniform

Well done to students for ensuring they are wearing the appropriate school uniform. You all look fabulous in your green and gold colours!

School Photos

We are pleased that school photos can go ahead this year. We will follow the Department of Education guidelines for distancing measures. You will receive an ordering envelope this week to view the various packages available.

Janet Conibear, Relieving Principal



Congratulations to our Achievement Award winners this week!

Yabi News

This week in History we have been learning about timelines. We looked at images of Corowa and used clues from the picture to help us work out which was the oldest and which was the newest. We then drew events from our life on a timeline.

Miss Clare and Yabi Class



Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
Week 6	24/8	25/8	26/8	27/8	28/8	29,30/8
Week 7	31/8	1/9	2/9	3/9	4/9	5,6/9
Week 8	7/9	8/9 School Photos P & C Meeting	9/9	10/9	11/9	12,13/9
Week 9	14/9	15/9	16/9	17/9	18/9	19,20/9

Maliyan News

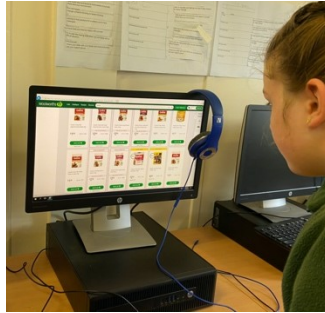
Can I just start with saying how lovely it was to speak with parents last week during parent teacher interviews...

Both Mrs Conibear and I are very proud of the success that students are demonstrating in their learning, both academically and socially. Well done students!

Maliyan students have been investigating various math strategies, when calculating money using two, three- and four-digit numbers. Students participated in grocery shopping, adhering to a \$240 budget using both hard copies, and online supermarket shopping catalogues. Harrison and Nate were our winners of the challenge, who could be the closest spender to our \$240 budget.



Calculator cross check



Kate researching online for shopping items



Lani shopping using catalogues

To continue this learning, we used the board game Monopoly to demonstrate student understanding of adding and subtracting while using money. Students also had the opportunity to showcase their multiplication skills and best of all their cooperative, and communicative skills in small teams. This isn't where we stopped!

Next, we used our research skills to design a board game that needed to meet certain criteria. For example, the board game needed to be based on a novel that the pair both enjoy and design 25 questions that will be incorporated into their board game. Pairs needed to develop a set of rules and an appropriate procedure to score full marks for the project.

This series of activities had the Maliyan classroom buzzing with rich learning conversation.

We would like to welcome a new addition to our classroom... we now have Sea Monkeys! This is based upon our Science of watching things grow within the Biological Sciences. This may have required two cycles, but thankfully we may finally have some new friends in our room.



Pouring in the eggs



Maliyan and their Sea Monkey pets

Reminders:

Homework: We understand the strain that many families are currently going through, we are in this together. Maliyan classroom teachers will continue not to send home homework for this term. However, if you may like your child to complete extra-curricular activities here are some terrific places you and your child could visit.

Education ABC: <https://education.abc.net.au/home#!/resources/-/all/F-1-2-3-4-5-6>

National Geographic for kids: <https://www.natgeokids.com/au/>

Reading Eggspress: <https://readingeggspress.com.au/>

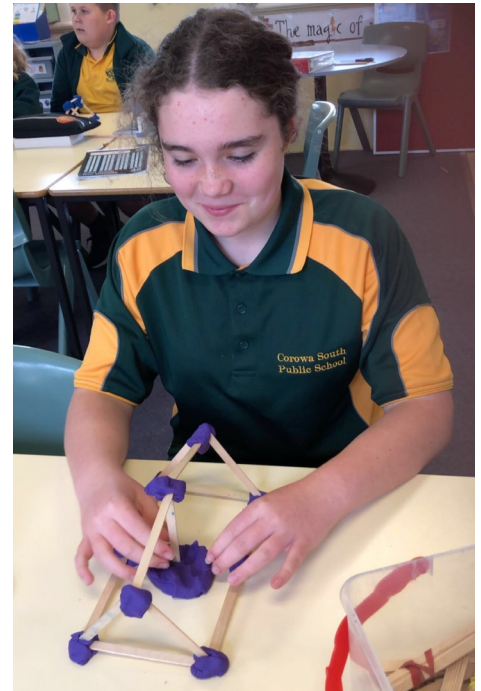
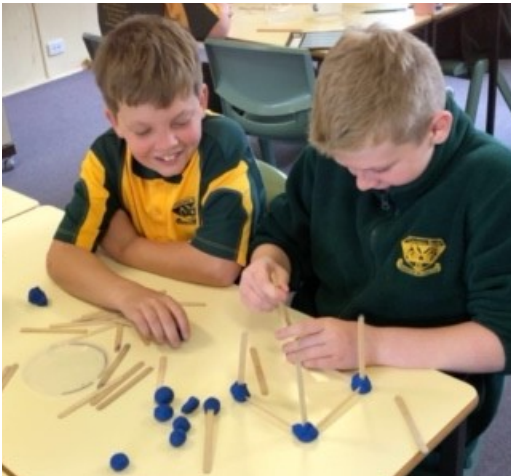
Mrs Conibear and I do expect regular reading to be taking place at home each night- just one or two pages would be enough.

Home Readers: It is students' responsibility to bring in their Home Reader each day to place into the Home Reading tub. Mrs Conibear and I will only be asking for the folders once a day to remind students. Please check with students as to why they are not returning their folders if you are not seeing a constant return and swap occurring.

Mrs Hicks, Classroom Teacher

Wibigang News

Whats happening in Wibi classroom:



For the past couple of weeks, class Wibigang have been doing separate activities. The boys are doing woodwork with Mr Border and the girls knitting. We've been learning how to knit with Mrs Conibear and despite all the mistakes, it's been very entertaining. **Mila**

In class Wibigang, we have been reading a novel called Dragon Keeper by Carol Wilkinson. The story is about a slave girl call Ping who is under the control of master Lan. She has to take on master Lans job as the dragon keeper. **Leticia**

For the last couple of weeks the boys have been doing woodwork and we're making a treasure box and we're all enjoying it. **Aiden**

For this week our class is doing Asian countries. Aiden and I are doing Afghanistan. We have learnt many wonderful facts about Afghanistan are where it is in the longitude and latitude. **Will**

It was lovely to touch base with many parents for our phone Parent/Teacher Interviews to discuss your child's learning and progress.

Geography: Students are delving into Asian Studies and researching various countries in Asia, their culture and lifestyle.

Maths last week we had fun investigating 3D shapes and their properties, exploring and developing our understanding how nets work to create a 3D shape.

English: Class Shared Text *'The Dragonkeeper'* by Carole Wilkinson.

Our writing focus is on how to write a quality Informative text making sure to use appropriate text structure and language features in our writing.

For Art we are exploring drawing dragons, creating depth and making a focal point of our drawing through using shading techniques.

Mrs Kate Taylor, Class Teacher



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Meals on Wheels
volunteering
COVID-19



NATIONAL MEALS ON WHEELS DAY RECOGNISES OUR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER FORCE AND THEIR RESILIENCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

We are pleased to share that today is National Meals on Wheels Day!

When the first COVID diagnoses came to light, many Meals on Wheels volunteers aged 70 and over were recommended to self-isolate for their own safety, while younger volunteers stood up to support their communities.

National Meals on Wheels day recognises the outstanding contribution of our wonderful volunteers, who ensure older Australians remain nourished and safe at home every day. It has been an uncertain last 12 months, with bushfire devastation and now COVID-19. We offer gratitude and thanks to all of our 35,000 volunteers in NSW, and the growing band of individuals and organisations that have come on board who continue to support us. Their efforts have made us stronger and more focused than ever, and today we celebrate their contribution to our service.

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER...

**SICK?
STAY HOME**
COROWA SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Students who are unwell at school will be sent home.

Parents will be contacted and asked to collect students ASAP.

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School premises.

Following directions from our Director, school grounds are only open to students and staff. Please remain outside of school grounds to drop-off and pick-up students.

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Thank you!

Thank you to our amazing school community who continue to support our school, students and staff, daily. We appreciate you all.

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Students who are sick must not come to school.

Including those with coughs, runny noses, sore throats, ect.

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If you are unsure, please contact the office.

Call us on (02)6033 1535 if you are unsure about sending your child to school.