



FAREWELL YEAR 12!

Congratulations to our graduating class of 2019! We are tremendously proud of your efforts and achievements this year! Today we wished them a formal farewell at our final assembly for the term. They have spent this week enjoying their own celebrations, including their Year 12 Fun Day, concrete engraving, tree planting and class parties. Tune in next term to find out who our 2020 captains will be!



What's Coming Up?

14 Oct	Term 4 begins
17 Oct - 11 Nov	HSC examinations
22-22 Oct	Year 10 examinations
28 Oct - 1 Nov	Year 10 work experience



Principal's farewell to Year 12

with Dr Joanne Bellette

This is a really special day as we join together to celebrate the end of our Year 12 students' high school education and the beginning of their bright futures.

Being the Principal of Corowa High School is an incredibly rewarding job. I feel privileged to have been able to spend time with so many of you – to be part of your education and to help you start on the journey to achieving your dreams and aspirations.

Some of you, I know, will achieve your dreams in short order... finding your path through hard work and a keen understanding of what you love to do. For others, it will be a longer journey that will have its own rewards as you learn about yourself and all that you are capable of.

Of course this journey doesn't begin as you step through those doors, it began long ago. In 2001 to be exact.

It was a momentous year, not only because it was the year of your birth, but also because the world seemed to change in one day on September 11 when two planes crashed into the World Trade Centre in New York City. In 2001 our Prime Minister was John Howard, and Apple released the first iPod. In 2001 Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was the highest grossing movie and Friends was still a popular television series. In 2001 the Mars Odyssey spacecraft reached its destination and began collecting soil samples for the purpose of identifying whether life had ever existed on the red planet. And in 2001 many of you began to take YOUR first steps on the journey that brought you to where you sit today.

There have been bumps and challenges along the way of course.

In 2007 you began kindergarten and found out that the world was a lot bigger than you had ever dreamed. In 07 Australia got Kevin and the US got a new President in Barack Obama. In

2007 Apple introduced the first iPhone and Beyonce topped the charts. And in the same year a documentary film was released entitled An Inconvenient Truth which spoke about the devastating effects of climate change if we didn't act quickly. 2007 was also the year you began your educational journey with crayons and pencils and sleeping mats for afternoon naps – something some of you would still love to enjoy I'm sure.

This had all changed by 2014, however, as your journey took another turn and you entered high school. For you it was the year in which you learnt to be more independent, more flexible and more willing to test your own voices and opinions on your journey through high school.

And so here you sit today at another crossroads with paths opening in every direction.

What will 2019 be remembered for? Our Prime Minister's love of the Bulldogs? The year single use plastics began to disappear from our shops and oceans? An American President who can't stop tweeting or a British Parliament who can't decide whether to stay or leave the European Union? Or the year that school kids like Greta Thunberg led the fight on climate change?

All of it is momentous, yes, but nothing compares to the events that will mark your journey this year. For 2019 is your revolutionary year. It is the year when you must stand up and take control of your future. You must find your path, set your direction and stomp on the accelerator. The rearview mirror is a handy tool to remind us where we have been, but keep your eyes on the road ahead as much as possible because that's where your future lies and, be assured, we'll be standing on the road side cheering you all the way. For 2019 may be an incredible year, but 2020 will be even better!

So Year 12 best of luck and bon voyage – we look forward to seeing where your journey leads.



Year 12 Fun Day

Our Year 12's celebrated their second last day at Corowa High School with their Year 12 Fun Day yesterday! Check out some of these amazing costumes!

You can see more pictures here: <https://corowa-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/ga.../year-12-fun-day.html>

VET Metals and Engineering blast off!

Check out these great rocket stoves that our VET Metals and Engineering students recently completed!



Seniors blow off steam

All of our Senior students have been working hard recently to prepare themselves for the HSC examinations in Term 4.

Our Senior Modern History students are no exception. To diffuse some of the stress of the last week of Term 3, these students donned costumes and used Nerf guns to re-enact modern war strategies.



Year 12 leave their mark

As students have done since the 70's, our Year 12's engraved a section of footpath near the school on Wednesday!



Senior Industrial Technology Timber HSC pieces



Happy campers at Valley Homestead

Our Year 8-9 students challenged themselves, both physically and mentally at school camp last week!



Mission to Mars challenge

Mrs Delaney Year 7 STEM class wowed the judges (our Senior Physics class) with their prototypes of vessels that could land on Mars. Their challenge was to create a vessel that could withstand being dropped from a two story building and keep the space traveller (a hard boiled egg) intact.



School family grows by one!

Last week we welcomed the newest member of the Corowa High School family after the safe arrival of a baby alpaca.

This term, our Agriculture program has welcomed and farewelled a number of animals including two new lambs and two calves that came to us as part of the Cows Create Careers program.



Students volunteer at Cricket Gala Day!

Well done to these awesome students for volunteering to umpire matches at the Cricket NSW Gala Day for primary school students held last Friday.

They have made our school proud with their fantastic attitudes and by upholding our school values of respect and responsibility at all times.



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Year 9 C class went to the Wirraminna Education Centre on Thursday to utilise this a great local resource. Students had the opportunity to conduct water quality testing, discover more about the Murray-Darling Basin and discuss the critically endangered Corroboree Frog (of which the centre is lucky enough to have a small number in captivity). It was a great Geography and Science Fieldwork trip!



Year 7's impress judges in egg drop challenge

Don't forget to head along to Pfeiffer Wines this weekend to vote for Corowa High School entry into the scare crow competition! Our entry's name is Bobo and he was created by Tia, Fern, Megan, Miss Layzell & Ms Jongeneel.



Virtual international travel

Year 9 Geography students have been utilising our new virtual reality headsets to visit international geographical locations and world heritage sites recently!



Senior Pathways

Congratulations to Olivia Hughes who will complete her gap year with the Royal Australian Navy.

Her sister, Sarah Hughes, has received an early entry offer into a Bachelor of Medical Science course at La Trobe in Wodonga.

Tyler Martin has also received an early entry offer and he will head to La Trobe in Melbourne to complete his Bachelor of Cyber Security and IT. Congratulations!





Time online

Help your child achieve a healthy balance in their online and offline activities.

How much is too much?

There is no magic figure. The right amount of screen time can depend on a range of factors like your child's age and maturity, the kind of content they are consuming, their learning needs and your family routine.

It can be easy to focus only on the clock, but the quality and nature of what they are doing online, and your involvement, are just as important.

Signs to watch for:

- less interest in social activities like meeting friends or playing sport
- not doing so well at school
- tiredness, sleep disturbance, headaches, eye strain
- changes in eating patterns
- reduced personal hygiene
- obsession with particular websites or games
- extreme anger when being asked to take a break from online activity
- appearing anxious or irritable when away from the computer
- becoming withdrawn from friends and family

Reducing your own screen time sets a positive example.



Time online

Help your child manage their online time

- **Stay engaged and encourage balance** — keep an eye on the games, apps and devices your child uses by sharing screen time with them. Help them stay aware of their important offline activities, like hobbies and sports.
- **Create a plan** — involve your child in creating a family plan that balances time spent sitting in front of screens, with a variety of offline activities.
- **Use the available technologies** — parental controls and tools to monitor online time allow you to measure and set time limits on device use or internet access. But be honest and open with your children about why you want to use these technologies.

esafety.gov.au/parents/big-issues/time-online



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TERM 3 | WEEK 10 | SEPT 2019



Bring the family along to a great free event being held by NSW Fisheries.



We will have a fishing clinic for the kids, casting competitions for all, rigs and tips specialists, and goodie giveaways galore. The Berkley Supertanker will be on show along with a local chef giving you all her tips. There will be plenty of activities for the kids including a touch tank, face painting and jumping castle. Look for our Facebook event page for updates

Gone Fishing Day – Lake Mulwala NSW

Sunday 20th October 2019

Apex Park, Pool Ave, Mulwala

#GOALS SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

- 7 x GOALS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR JULY-AUGUST 2020 SEMESTER AND YEAR EXCHANGE PROGRAMS TO COUNTRIES INCLUDING THE USA, FRANCE, ITALY AND NORWAY
- APPLICANTS MUST CURRENTLY BE IN YEARS 9-11
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Online feedback closes December 2019

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COROWA HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 6 TRANSITION WEEK

2-6 December 2019



COME AND EXPERIENCE A WEEK AT HIGH SCHOOL!

Year 6 students who have registered at Corowa High School for Year 7 in 2020 are invited to join us for an entire week from Monday 2 December to Friday 6 December.

- Wear primary school uniform
- Arrive at school by 8.45am and depart at 3.15pm
- Students will attend classes, follow a timetable and have full access to the school including canteen, library and playground.

For further information, please call Corowa High School on (02) 6033 1889.