



WOODWORKERS GET ORGANISED!



Students in our Year 9-10 Totally Timber classes have been honing their skills this week as they design and build desk organisers and coffee tables!

They are guided by our Technology teachers, Mr Geurtsen and Ms Jongeneel, and are showing great commitment to their work!





Principal's report

with Dr Joanne Bellette

No COVID cases at Corowa High School

We find ourselves in complex times that require patience, understanding and empathy. I'd like to thank our students, parents and staff for the time they are taking to understand and work with the school as we adapt to the almost daily changes in our school and work routines due to COVID-19. Happily I can confirm that, to date, no staff or student has been diagnosed with COVID-19 at Corowa High School. However, if your child is ill or has a fever, a cough, sore throat or runny nose please keep them home until they are well.

Supporting the health of our students

At Corowa High School, we have adopted a range of measures to support the health of our students and encourage hygiene across our school community including: utilising outdoor learning spaces, encouraging cross ventilation in classrooms, cancelling all extra-curricular activities and assemblies, ensuring there are sufficient supplies of soap in all bathrooms and issuing all staff and students with hand sanitiser at the start of every day. Students are regularly reminded about the importance of washing their hands, particularly before eating and after using the bathroom. In addition to these measures, we continue to follow the advice of the Department of Education and Department of Health. My staff and I are working hard to create the safest possible environment for our students so they can learn and thrive.

Using Google Classroom at home

A number of parents have requested work for students who are feeling ill or who have voluntarily self-isolated due to COVID-19. Unfortunately teachers cannot conduct their scheduled lessons and also act as Distance Education providers. So at this time teachers will not be sending work home for individual students. We are, however, encouraging students to check their Google Classrooms accounts for work that teachers may have uploaded for their classes, they should also look to complete assignments or assessment tasks, read a variety of books and revise their course content.

All staff are currently preparing to transition their teaching and learning materials to online formats, in particular Google Classrooms. Parents will receive a survey in the next day or two asking for information about resources students will have available in order to learn and study from home including the availability of hardware, software and connectivity. Please complete this survey and return it to the school as soon as possible so it can inform our preparations.

NAPLAN

On advice from NESA and the Department of Education, I can confirm that I have just received notification that NAPLAN will not be conducted in 2020.

Again, thank you for your understanding as we address this unprecedented situation.

Mrs Howley retires after 30 years

Dianne Howley has taught in the History/English faculty at Corowa High School for 30 years. In that time she has successfully overseen the learning of thousands of students who have achieved exceptional results. Her expertise, particularly in English, has allowed her to oversee the teaching of senior English at the Advanced, Extension 1 and Extension 2 levels. Her skills as an English teacher are widely regarded among members of the Border English Teachers Association and the wider fraternity of English teachers across the state, having presented Professional Learning to fellow Head Teachers and KLA experts within the NESA organisation. Her understanding of the requirements for student learning in the HSC is also widely regarded, particularly in the context of her role as Senior Marker in the Wagga Wagga HSC Marking Centre.

As a Head Teacher, she has consistently been committed to the students and teachers in her faculty. As a supportive and engaged leader, she has been able to ensure that quality teaching and learning is a priority in the History/English faculty for a number of years, which is evidenced by the many impressive results that students have achieved over a long period of time.

Dianne's teaching career has now come to a close but it is important to recognise the significant legacy that she has left at Corowa High School. Her presence in our English classrooms and her support for her colleagues will be sorely missed. We wish her all the best on her retirement and in her new role as grandmother extraordinaire.



Building bridges in STEM

Year 9 students are almost ready to test their model bridges in STEM! They have been using limited tools and materials, plus their design, engineering and practical skills to build bridges that can withstand 10-15kg weights.





Chilli, anyone?

Year 9-10 cooking students attempted the classic American dish, chilli con carne, in class this week. Many students had never cooked or eaten this dish before, but had the skills to execute the recipe perfectly!

Can you guess which slice of bread was rubbed on a phone last week?

Spoiler alert: it was the top-middle slice!

This eye-opening and timely experiment was conducted by the Year 9-10 Cooking in the Kitchen class to reinforce the message of hygiene both in class and in other facets of life. Students also tested desk tops and washed, sanitised and unwashed hands.



Future fire fighters get geared-up!

Our Year 9-10 Commerce class were fitted for Rural Fire Service uniforms last Friday!

At this stage, they will begin their RFS Cadet training next week to earn their diploma in community organisation.





Rowers dominate at Geelong SSV regatta

Well done to all of our students who competed at the 2020 SSV Regatta in Geelong last week! Many of our students took out first place in their events and all participated with fantastic sportsmanship. Thank you to Wes Canny and the Corowa Rowing Club for the great work they do in coaching our students.

Sausage sizzle for a good cause!

We raised money for the Relay for life last Friday with a casual clothes day, sausage sizzle and zooper dooper drive!

We raised over \$390! Thank you and well done to everyone who contributed.

The Corowa Relay For Life has been cancelled, but you can still donate by following the link below.

<https://bit.ly/2U5oziv>



Celebrating International Women's Day and non-traditional work roles

Rebecca Upton, Mackenzie Dolan and Mrs Lake attended the Women in Utilities event in Albury last Wednesday.

The expo celebrated International Women's Day by making young women more aware of the employment opportunities available in non traditional work roles including electrical, engineering and management.





Lost something?

LOST PROPERTY
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SEE MRS BOURKE IN SICK BAY



Term 1 Canteen Roster

Canteen Phone: 02 6033 1167

Commence 10.30 each day

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
23-27 Mar		M Miegel	L Van Leeuwen		
30 Mar - 3 Apr	J Willett	M Miegel	G Aitken		C Hughes
6-10 Apr		K McKenzie	J Carmen	K McKenzie	

If you are able to assist in the canteen on any day, please call Lisa on (02) 6033 1167.



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COROWA HIGH SCHOOL

CORONAVIRUS ASSESSMENT POLICY

Currently, all students who are ill on the day of an exam or assessment task are required to present the school with a medical certificate (from a medical practitioner) indicating that they were unable to complete the task due to a medical condition - so as to avoid an N Award Warning.

This requirement is proving increasingly difficult to meet as medical appointments as harder (if not impossible) to get. NESA has confirmed that in extreme circumstance the Principal can apply discretion and accept certificates from chemists.

For the duration of 2020 only, students will be able to submit medical certificates from chemists which indicate that they were unable to complete an assessment task or exam due to illness.

Students will still be required to complete the set tasks but the due date can then be renegotiated with the teacher concerned.

If you have any questions or need further clarification please call the office on (02) 6033 1889.



Sending nudes and sexting

It is important to talk with your children about the possible consequences of sending or sharing intimate images.

What are the risks?

Sharing intimate images may seem like a bit of fun or innocent flirting for young people, particularly those in a relationship. But things can go wrong and it is important your child understands this.

- **They lose control of the image** — once an image is shared, it can be copied and saved by others, shared with people the sender does not know and posted on social media and public websites.
- **Things can go wrong even in a trusted relationship** — a friend or partner may, on impulse and without thinking, share an image more broadly than the sender intended.
- **Images may not always be sent willingly** — young people may be forced or pressured into sending explicit images or videos.

- **The consequences can be serious** — for young people it could result in humiliation, bullying, teasing, harassment, damage to their reputation, and criminal charges or penalties.

The term 'sexting' is not often used by young people or in popular culture. Young people are more likely to refer to 'nudes'.



Sending nudes and sexting

How can I minimise the risks to my child?

- **Talk early, talk often** — have an age-appropriate chat with them about sending nudes. Consider asking questions using real-life examples like, 'Do you think it was right for him (or her) to share that photo after they broke up?'
- **Promote self-confidence and that it is OK to say 'no'** — let them know that they don't have to give in to peer pressure or send intimate images just because others do.
- **Teach them about consent and respectful relationships** — help them understand the impact of sharing intimate images of others and that they are breaking someone's trust when they do this.
- **Talk about the risks** — what can go wrong and the legal issues. Remind them that once an image is shared, it is almost impossible to get it back or control how it is shared.

What can I do when things go wrong?

- **Stay calm and open** — reassure them that they are not alone and you will work through this together.
- **Listen, and act fast** — there can be legal issues when intimate images of children are shared. You can report image-based abuse to eSafety. We can help to get intimate images removed and, in some cases, take action against the person who shared it. See more detailed advice on what to do and how to make a report on our website. You can also report the image to the site or service it was posted on.
- **Get help and support** — look after your child's wellbeing and encourage them to speak with a professional counselling or support service.

esafety.gov.au/parents/big-issues/sending-nudes-sexting



Cancellation of Church Fete 27th March, 2020

Owing to the circumstances of COVID-19, we have decided to postpone the St John's Anglican Church Fete that would have been held on
27 March 2020

Sorry for this inconvenience

Fete Coordinator

02 60 331346

IMPORTANT UAC DATES

2020

APRIL

- 1 UAC pins emailed to students
- UAC Guides sent to schools
- Applications open for 2020-21 admissions, SRS, EAS & ES

SEPTEMBER

- 20 SRS application closing date
- 30 Early bird closing date

NOVEMBER

- 8 SRS close of preference
- 12 First SRS offer round
- 20 EAS deadline for December Round 2 offers

DECEMBER

- 15 ATAR released by UAC at 1pm
- 17 Closing date of changes for preference for December Round 2
- 21 December Round 2 offers released
- 25 EAS deadline for January Round 1 offers

2021

JANUARY

- 3 Closing date of change of preference for January Round 1
- 8 January Round 1 offers released

Check the UAC website for a full dates list.

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uacinfo.com.au
[uacinfo](https://uacinfo.com.au)



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Corowa soccer has been cancelled until further notice due to the COVID-19 coronavirus.

2020 Prelim Exam Timetable

Dates	Session starting at 9:04 – Do not attend Roll Call	Session starting at 12:02
Fri 27, Mar	<p>SnrMathematics Standard* exam – School Hall 09:04 - 11:09 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>SnrEnglish - Standard Paper 1 – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>SnrEnglish* – Advanced Paper 1 – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>Special Provisions Line 1 – A8 Classroom</p>	<p>SnrBusiness Studies* exam – School Hall 12:02 - -14:07 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>Special Provisions Line 2&3 – A8 Classroom</p>
Dates	Session starting at 9:04 – Do not attend Roll Call	Session starting at 12:02
Mon 30, Mar	<p>SnrEnglish - Standard Paper 2 – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>SnrEnglish – Advanced Paper 2 – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>Special Provisions Line 1 – A8 Classroom</p>	<p>SnrAncient History* exam – School Hall 12:02 - 14:07 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>SnrChemistry exam – School Hall 12:02 - 14:07 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>SnrFood Technology* exam – School Hall 12:02 - 14:37 (2h 35mins)</p> <p>SnrLegal Studies exam – School Hall 12:02 - 14:07 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>Special Provisions Line 2 – A8 Classroom</p>
Dates	Session starting at 9:04 – Do not attend Roll Call	
Tue 31, Mar	<p>SnrBiology exam – School Hall 09:04 - 11:09 (2h 5mins)</p> <p>SnrDesign and Technology* exam – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>SnrIT: Multimedia* exam – School Hall 09:04 - 10:39 (1h 35mins)</p> <p>SnrMusic exam – School Hall 09:04 - 10:09 (1h 5mins)</p> <p>Special Provisions Line 3 – A8 Classroom</p>	<p>Ext English – D8 classroom 12:02 - 13:37 (1h 35mins)</p>