Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support and enthusiasm for our recent Open Day as part of 2014 Education Week. Many parents joined the students for a picnic lunch and visited classrooms throughout the afternoon. Parents had the opportunity to experience first hand a variety of learning activities and participate in their child’s educational journey. Activities included reading, mathematics, writing and sports. Students, staff and parents enjoyed the opportunity to work together.

Congratulations to our 100% attendance at Corowa Public’s performance of ‘Sticks and Stones’. It was wonderful to support our nearby school in the Bangerang Learning Community. The message to be brave rather than be a bystander, to take a stand against bullying, was very powerful. This was a unique educational opportunity to share a common value as part of our Personal Development program.

Thank you again to the many parents and community members for their best wishes on my return from leave. I am delighted to be back leading Corowa South Public School.

I acknowledge that there has been some concern about decreasing enrolments over the past months. This can be attributed to a number of reasons, including fluctuating demographics of the Corowa area, more readily accessible transport over the border to other educational facilities and movement of families out of the Corowa area, due to changing circumstances or job opportunities. Corowa South is an outstanding school. The staff are committed to providing quality educational programs in engaging learning environments which cater for individual needs and differences. I welcome suggestions to help the school to continue to work together for the benefit of our students.

We hope you can join us for the many celebratory educational events we have planned for this term.

Karen Kissell, Principal

### Dates to Remember – Claim the date

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Yesterday our students participated in an Aboriginal Cultural workshop as part of our Aboriginal Education program. Mr Saddler showed the students coolamons, spears, boomerangs and baskets. He played Wiradjuri didgeridoos, taught the students emu and kangaroo dances, as well as teaching Wiradjuri words and greetings.

Mark conducted the workshop with students designing their own Aboriginal style artwork using the information they had discussed throughout the session. It was a very informative and interactive workshop.

Well done, Rory and Harley!

Congratulations to Rory Batten and Harley Jackson on their wonderful efforts at the Riverina PSSA Athletics carnival. The boys proudly represented Corowa South PS and Albury District at the carnival. Rory competed in the 11 yrs 200m and Harley competed in the 11 yrs boys discus.
**Student Writing**

Yesterday (29\(^{th}\) July), we celebrated Tamzin’s birthday and Open Day. We watched “Sticks and Stones”. It was about anti-bullying. It was at Corowa Public School and it was amazing.

*Written by Aria Glare, Kindergarten.*

On Open Day, Nate and I showed Nate’s nan a game with letters.
We went to an excursion and we saw a concert.

*Written by Mikayla Butler, Year One.*

Yesterday (29\(^{th}\) July) I went to the anti-bullying show and it was my birthday.
We had lunch with our parents.

*Written by Tamzin Forge, Kindergarten.*

**Aboriginal Culture Day**

Today, Mr Mark Saddler came to our school to teach us about Wiradjuri culture.
At 12 o’clock K/1/2 went to the library to learn about Aboriginal Culture. Mr Mark Saddler first taught us about the didgeridoo. Next he started talking about weapons like a spear. Then a few people asked some questions. I asked how they make the baskets they had woven and he talked about that a while.
Before we went to the art room we played two games. The first one was that six people were emus and number two was another six people were kangaroos.
Right after that we went to the art room. We did dot painting and made a story out of it. We had two tribes and the Aboriginal flag in it.
Some people’s hands got pain on them so we had to wash them. I had heaps of fun and thought it was fabulous.

*Written by Jodi Johnson, Year Two.*

Today Mr Mark Saddler came to our school to teach us about Wiradjuri culture. At 12 o’clock K/1/2 went to the library. We learnt how to make didgeridoos and how to make spears. I got to dance and I moved and I was out.
In the library we saw a special stick and we watched Mark play the didgeridoo.
Then we went to the art room. I did the Aboriginal flag with red, black and yellow.

*Written by Josh Bruce, Year Two.*

Today Mr Mark Saddler came to our school to teach us about Wiradjuri culture. We went to the library at 12 o’clock. Mr Mark Saddler played the didgeridoo for us. Mrs Mac and Mrs Taylor chose three people out of each class to do an emu dance.
I felt happy after that.

*Written by Ella Webb, Year One.*

On Monday the 4\(^{th}\) of August, Mark Saddler came to our school and we went to the library. In the library Mark talked to us about the history of Wiradjuri Aboriginal around Wagga Wagga. He told us about their tools. One tool is many tools. Mark said that men and women have different instruments and stories. We did some dances and heard some music. After that we went around to the art room. He showed us some symbols and helped us to create a story, by painting those aboriginal symbols.

*Written by Shanay, Olivia and Nykia, Year Six.*

**Oranges Galore!**

On Thursday Bailey and Wil helped Mrs Read to pick a bucket of oranges from the school house tree. Everyone enjoyed a huge pile of cut up oranges at the end of lunch. A juicy and healthy end to play-time.

*Brodie Julian was very sad when there were no oranges left and the bell went!*
Class 3/4 news
We have been learning about 3D concepts, nets and applications. To reinforce our understanding of nets and how to construct prisms and pyramids, we decided to make some! They will be used to learn the properties of 3D shapes – faces, edges and corners – in future lessons.
Well done, boys and girls!
Mrs Read, Class teacher

Library News
On Tuesday 19th August 2014, during Book Week in Week 6 of this term we will be holding a Book Fair where students, parents, guardians and friends are welcome to come and purchase books.
On the same day (starting at 9.15am) we will be holding a Book Character Parade.
All students will be asked to borrow a book from the library and dress up as a character from that book.
Every student will receive a special Book Week Bookmark for participating. There will also be 5 special certificates per class for the most fabulous costumes on the day.
Everyone is invited to come along and see the fun!
Louise Regan, Library teacher.

Home Reading Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have reached a milestone with Home Reading
75 Nights: Ryan Wandel
100 Nights: Amelia Harris, Logan Forge
125 Nights: Mackenzie Bunt

P & C News
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th September (Week 9) due to the Canberra Excursion in Week 8.
Congratulations to Amberlee McFarland who was elected as our new P & C President.
The P & C will assist with the Sausage Sizzle on Tuesday Sept 2nd, as part of the schools Father’s Day celebrations.
Please return the note below to book your seat for the bus tour- information on the separate note.

ACCEPTING 2015 ENROLMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN AT COROWA SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
Do you have a child aged 4 or 5, or know someone in our area who will be starting school in 2015? Ask them to contact the school for an interview and enrolment form.

P & C Melbourne Shopping Tour
Please fill in the Expression of Interest form below and return to school by 1/8/14, for the P & C Bus trip on November 8th 2014.

FAMILY NAME ________________________________ Contact Phone Number __________________

Names of people attending __________________________________________________________________

Deposit enclosed $ 40 per person: $ _________

Signed _________________________________ (parent/guardian/attendee)  Date ______________
Corowa Toy Library

DID YOU KNOW???

There are toys and games for infant aged school children available to borrow from the Corowa Toy Library. Toys for loan are available to children from birth to eight years of age.

Come along and take a look at all our toys, games and puzzles. We are open every Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm at the Old Railway House, John Street (near RSL Park).

Membership for the remainder of the year is only $20 per family.