FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Last Friday, the 2015 Creative Catchment Team – Nadia, Sophie, Mackenzie and Zara attended the CCK book launch of “Peter O’Shannassy Pest Controller”. The CCK team presented their fantastic book to an excited audience at Oaklands Central School. They explained the information they had learnt and the processes they had used to create their informative book about Mr O’Shannassy. They explained how he assists farmers to reduce and eradicate weeds and pests. All of the books which have been produced by CCK projects across the Riverina in 2015 will have a copy of their book placed in the National Library in Canberra for everyone to read. Copies of our team’s book are now in the library for everyone at our school to enjoy. Our 2015 CCK team is recognised as published authors!

Congratulations to our 2015 CCK team as they did a splendid job with the assistance of Mrs McDonald to produce an amazing book relevant to our own community and environment. The project encompassed HSIE, science and technology, environmental education and literacy.

Yesterday I had the honour and pleasure of accompanying our Years 2-6 students with Mrs Francis, to perform at the Carroll Wing and Karinya Southern Cross Aged Care facility. The students beautifully performed a condensed version of our school concert – “The Outback” for the residents and patients of both facilities. Everyone was delighted by the students’ enthusiasm, singing and performance skills. The students were encouraged to perform a rousing encore of “pack up your troubles”. Both the audiences and the students had a marvellous time performing and strengthening the community spirit of our school. One lady commented that the performance was “Australian History in a nutshell” and it helped her remember all those facts she had learnt at school. Thank you to the staff and residents of Carroll Wing and Karinya Southern Cross Aged Care facility for being wonderful hosts and appreciative audiences. Thank you to Canns Bus Company for generously donating the bus to transport our eager crew to each venue. Our students were excellent civic ambassadors for our school. Congratulations.

Karen Kissell, Principal

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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FORWARD PLANNING

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<td>Meet and Greet, Morning Tea in the Library – Kindergarten parents and all parents K – 6 invited. Healthy Lunch Box tips.</td>
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Parents, Grandparents and Friends

If you have assisted our staff and students in any way this year, an Invitation is extended to you to join us for Morning Tea on Friday 11th December at 11.00am.

So many people have provided ongoing assistance to our students and staff during the year: in the classroom, library, school grounds, generous classroom stationery donations, P & C helper. Your help is greatly appreciated.

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SANTA VISIT

Corowa South Public School
Monday 14th Dec at 3pm
Pre-school students welcome

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P & C Meet and Greet
Tuesday 2nd February 2016
In the Library
9.20am
Healthy Lunch Box tips session with Cancer Council
**Year 2/3/4 News**

2/3/4 enjoyed the opportunity to present the concert items to the residents Carroll Wing and Karinya Southern Cross Aged Care facility. Today the students had a go at writing postcards pretending they were on holidays. This activity created a lot of discussion on the way in which we communicate.

*Mrs Francis, Relieving Teacher*

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**Year 5/6 News**

The class has been busy participating in swimming, completing the art room mural, attending High School Orientation Days, book launches for Creative Catchment Kids and composing speeches for student leadership positions in 2016. However we managed to fit in a bit of Christmas Craft with our creative Sock Snowmen!

![Sock Snowmen](image)

*Aren’t they adorable?*

*Karen Kissell, Class Teacher*

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**K/1 News**

It’s beginning to look a little like Christmas in the K/1 room.

We are discovering lots about how other countries celebrate Christmas with our Mini unit “Christmas Around the World”.

![Christmas Tree](image)

*I love Christmas and think it is special because you spend time with your family.*  
**Alexis**

*I like Christmas because all of my family get teogether. Somethimes at my Grandmas place somes times at my place. We get to open presents in the morning.*  
**Tamzin**

*I think Christmas is special because my family gets together and this year I get to meet some cousins that live in Melbourne.*  
**Amelia**

*I know Christmas is awesome because Santa comes and he leaves lollies in our stockings.*  
**Deaclan**

*I think Christmas is special because we get presents.*  
**Will**

*I think Christmas is special because you get lots of presents.*  
**Trent**

I think Christmas is special because you get lots of presents.*  
**Mila.**

Our Home Reading Program finishes this Friday. Please return all books for your child to receive the final sticker in their Yellow “Read It” Home Reading Journals.

*K/1 and Mrs Taylor, Class Teacher*
Reading Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have reached the following Home Reading milestones:
290 + Nights: Angela Craft

Library News
2015 has been a great year in the library. It has been a year of many interesting activities during lessons and at lunch time. It has become a great place for research. Lots of children have become very interested in browsing and borrowing library books – they love the Library!

There have been many new books introduced into the Library throughout the year. Thank you to those who made donations of books, or of their time to cover books, to add to the resources available to the children. Thank you to those who came along to classes, just to visit or to help out. It’s wonderful for children to see their parents or grandparents valuing the Library.

Most students have returned their library books so we now will take stock and prepare the Library for 2016.

Mrs Regan, Librarian

SRC News
11th December – Talent Quest 11:30am - 1:00pm AND Lunchtime sales of Zooper Doopers @ 50 cent each.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Weird, Whacky and Wonderful Dance last Friday. It was great that everyone was joining in, laughing and having fun with the dances. We danced some classics – Chicken Dance, Macarena, Nutbush, Hokey Pokey, Time Warp, 1234, Freeze Bob and a Cha Cha train. Special thanks to Angela and Tallulah who were our DJ’s for the night.

The SRC wishes to thank the P&C for their assistance with the scrumptious hotdogs and Mrs Mathews for the delicious fruit. Thank you also to the Julian and True families for the spectacular light show. The disco lights added to the mood of the night.

Presentation Night
Monday 14th December 2015
6.30pm
At Corowa High School Hall
All welcome to attend
Holiday Fun @ Corowa Library

Lost Worlds

Lost Worlds: Younger readers can explore lost worlds, alternate universes and mythical creatures depicted across science fiction, historical fiction and fantasy fiction.

The Summer Reading Club is a free holiday program open to children aged 3 – 15 years which is packed full of activities, games, stories and prizes.

Sign up at the Corowa Library and get reading. Collect bookmarks, tattoos, stickers and more when you register at your library.

National prizes are up for grabs for those who participate in the online activities. Register online at www.summerreadingclub.org.au.

Flyaway Gymnastics School Holiday Program

Looking for something fun to book your children into these school holidays? Flyaway Gymnastics is offering school holiday programs at both our Albury and Wodonga venues, running both weeks of the holidays. We have our regular holiday feature which is a structured two hour program for Primary school children aged 5-12 years. Children learn to balance, roll, flip and twist. We are also offering trampoline and dance gym workshops which give children aged 5-16 years something a little different. Bookings are essential. For more information on prices and times please call 02 6041 1127 or 6024 1129 or visit www.flyawaygymnastics.com.au

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XMAS HOLIDAY CLINIC
BOOK NOW
JANUARY 2016, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday???
5/8 year olds 8-8.45am & 8/16 y/olds 8.45-10am
Please contact me and indicate which dates in January would suit
All children in Corowa are invited to the
Corowa Lawn Tennis Club
With your local and fully qualified (Level 2) Club Professional Tennis Australia coach Mick Young. Experience a local junior player development program fully endorsed by Tennis Australia.

Lions Club International
Father Christmas Letters

Information forms have been distributed to students today.

Letters need to be posted in the special box, placed in the school office before 11th December 2015 for collection by Santa’s helpers.

P & C News

Raffle books are now due back at school. Not long until Presentation Night, so if you could your books back in it would be greatly appreciated.