Dear Parents,

Thank you to the terrific team at Corowa South and our wonderful P&C in welcoming and supporting our new parents for 2016 at yesterday’s Step Up To Kinder Orientation and Information afternoon. It was an excellent opportunity to showcase our school and ensure a successful transition to school for our 2016 Kindergarten students.

Good luck to Harley Jackson (Discus) and Lara Ovenden (High Jump) who are competing in the PSSA Athletics Carnival in Albury on Monday.

Karen Kissell - Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

BOOKWEEK 2015
This week is Book Week and the theme this year is BOOKS LIGHT UP OUR WORLD.
To celebrate this in our Library there are new award winning books on display.
On Library Day – tomorrow, Wednesday 26/8/15 there will be short activities involving some of these books as well as the usual returning and borrowing of library books.

COME AND SEE THE LIBRARY
You are invited to come along to your child’s library lesson this Wednesday, if you are able and would like to see the library in action.

Library Lesson Timetable
26/8/2015
9.30 – 10.30am Year 5/6
12.00 – 1.00pm Year 2/3/4
2.15 – 3.15pm Kinder/Year 1

Reading Awards: Congratulations to the following students who have reached the following Home Reading milestones
50 Nights: Zach Wemyss
75 Nights: Dalyn Zantuck, Jodi Johnson
125 Nights: Keesha Taylor, Charlotte Colman, Matthew Colman
150 Nights: Nate Batten, Will Douch
175 Nights: Aiden Wark

2016
Kinder with their Year 5 buddies.
**Year 2/3/4 News**

The class welcomes a new student in Year 4. We now have an even number of students in the room which is very handy for partner activities. In Maths this week the students are working with position activities involving following / giving directions and using coordinates or grids. As part of our topic, “British Colonisation”, students created a description of a fictitious convict’s life. Two examples are included in this newsletter. Homework for this week includes identifying and spelling plurals and Maths.

*Mrs McDonald, Class Teacher*

**Lucy Faddy, a convict**

I stole a horse for money because I was hungry. I was going to be hanged, but my family begged and begged so I was sentenced to be transported for 14 years instead. In Australia I became very good friends with Aboriginal people and lived with them.

*Taniel O’Brien, Year 3*

My name is Jane and I have always been very poor. Once, the only thing I had to eat was a tiny bit of a rotten apple. My crime was committed then. I stole a big fat book. I took it so I could sell it. But I was caught and sentenced to be transported for seven years. I tried hard to get on the Scarborough because I thought it was the biggest ship. It smelled like a sewer. I wished to go back, but I couldn’t.

*Ella Ovenden, Year 3*

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**Year 5 /6 News**

Step Up To Kinder started today! Year Five are now Kinder Buddies!

*Year 5/6 making playdoh for their Kinder buddies.*

Tomorrow Years 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the Corowa High School Variety Concert Matinee. School uniform and exemplary behaviour is an expectation at this event. The CHS Variety concert is always very entertaining and show cases outstanding student performances. It is a great occasion to celebrate public education and catch up with past Corowa South students. Homework this week is: Spelling, Take Home Reading and a Literacy worksheet.

*Mrs Kissell, Class Teacher*

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**CCK Excursion**

Monday the 24th August 2015, the CCK group – Nadia, Sophie, Mackenzee and Zara went with Mrs McDonald to Lowsdale Public School for a CCK workshop.

Firstly, when we arrived we walked into the school library and sat on the floor. Then Stacee and Mr D started talking about Aboriginal culture.

Secondly, we watched a Doctor Dave video clip about how Aboriginal people used the bush as a ‘supermarket’. After that we did a revision sheet reminding us what we learnt on the Doctor Dave video clip.

Recess Time!

Next we went to the art room. We sketched a drawing how we imagined the Murray River was created. Then Stacee gave us a canvas and paint so we could begin to paint it on the canvas.

Then Mr D gave us a little energy kit and showed us how to make a fan and light bulb operate. Zara and Sophie made 2 light bulbs and a fan work at once, using a battery and a human operated winding tool.

Lunch Time!

The last activity of the day was making rope the way the Aboriginal people did using dried kangaroo grass.

The day was excellent and it was a worthwhile trip!

*Nadia, Sophie, Mackenzee and Zara*

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**K/1 News**

In HSIE the students came up with a number of ideas to create a bush shelter. Each student drew a possible design. Using sticks, leaves, bark and plasticene the students had a go at making a model of a shelter.

Maths this week has involved using halves and quarters. This is something that can be practised at home especially with food items. K/1 have also been finding different items which are shaped like regular 3D objects such as dice and cereal boxes.

*Mrs Taylor and Mrs Francis, Class Teachers*
**Sports News**

**MILO Cricket**
Due to the wet weather today, our session with Mr Mackinley has been postponed. We will conduct 2 sessions next week to make up the lost session this week before the end of term.

**Step Up To Kinder 2016**

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**P & C News**

**Next P & C meeting**
Wed at 6:30pm in Library – 2nd September 2015

**P & C - Father’s Day Stall**
Wednesday 2nd September 2015

**Reminder P&C Chocolate Fundraiser**—please return all money to the school office.

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**Countdown to our Major Excursions**

Years 3/4 to Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement Village – Two Days - 3rd and 4th September 2015


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**SRC News**

The SRC will be holding a fund raiser on Monday 7th September for FOOTY COLOURS DAY. Students are encouraged to wear their footy colours or favourite sports team colours to school for a gold coin donation to the cancer council.

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**Thank You**
to Carolin Bratt, Vanessa Colman and Caroline Bush for your help in the classrooms and library.

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**COROWA U14 JUNIOR CRICKET REGISTRATION**

**Registration Criteria:** Children who wish to play for Corowa Red, Blue, Black or Green and are aged between 10 and under 14 as of the 1.09.2015 can register.

**Additional information:** The competition officially commences October 17, and will be played Saturday mornings. Team allocation and training will begin before the end of September. All registered players will be notified.

The Corowa Cricket Club is looking for Coaches and managers for the under 14 & under 16 teams. Please contact Mark Tidd on 0490043835 if you are interested or require any additional information.

**WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2015 AT SPORTSPOWER COROWA**

5.00PM TO 6.30PM

CRICKET REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR CRICKET GEAR SELECTION.
COROWA RUTHERGLEN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
Annual General Meeting
Monday 31st August 2015, 6pm at club rooms
We would like to invite everyone to join us next Monday night at our Annual General Meeting. We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions: President, Secretary, Canteen Coordinator and also new committee members. We are always open to new ideas and fresh enthusiasm. Our priority is based on the kids having fun while they exercise and creating a friendly social environment for all involved.

Will there be Auskick in 2016??!!!
The current committee will be standing down at the end of this Auskick season, they no longer will have children involved. So all positions will be up for grabs!
Those positions are: Football Co-ordinator, Secretary, Treasurer & Canteen Co-ordinator.
The AGM will be held on Presentation day, Sunday 23rd August (note the change of date). We urge any parents that are interested in keeping Auskick going to please attend the AGM.
Unfortunately, a lot of people have a tendency to believe that someone else will put their hand up and take on a role but those that are willing are getting fewer and fewer.
PLEASE make the time to attend the meeting for the sake of not only your child but for those in the community. We really need parents to step up and join the committee! All enquiries prior to the AGM are more than welcomed.
Thank you.
Mark Kay (Co-ordinator) - 0427 773152
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