

# LOWESDALE LIAISON

Lowesdale Public School newsletter

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Term 4 Week 2  
19th October 2022

## Borambola Camp

Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) and Mrs Strachan had a terrific time at camp. The students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour and participation throughout camp. They made new friends and had a positive attitude towards learning different activities. Thank you to parents for transporting their children to and from Corowa South Public School and for helping the students with their packing.



## Year 4 CHS Transition Visit – Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Oct

Corowa High School is again offering a Year 4 transition day to all Year 4 students in our partner primary schools. This will provide an opportunity for Year 4 students to develop a better understanding of the high school, our staff and grounds, and build relationships with their peers from other schools. ***Please sign the attached permission note and return to school.***

Date: Tuesday 25th October 2022

Time: 9:00am – 3:15pm

Place: Corowa High School

If students are arriving at Corowa High School via car, we ask all parents to drop-off and pick-up at the Tower Street entrance. Those arriving by bus will enter the school via the Redlands Road entrance. All students are to proceed to the flag poles at the front of the school upon arrival.

### Lunch and recess breaks:

Students will need to provide morning tea. A sausage sizzle will be provided for lunch, supplied by our school. Students should bring their own water bottles and will have access to our water refill stations.

Throughout the day students will participate in a range of activities including attending lessons, sporting activities, team-building exercises and a tour of the school site.

## P & C Meeting Term 4

The Term 4 P&C Meeting will be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct from 3.30pm. All parents and carers are welcome. Afternoon tea will be provided.

The staff and students at Lowesdale Public School appreciate the contribution of our parents & community members to our school

**Upcoming Events Term 4 2022**

Thurs 20, 27 Oct & 3, 10 Nov	2023 Kindergarten Orientation Sessions 9- 1pm
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 4 CHS Transition Day (Year 4 only)
Mon 21 Nov	Life Education Van @LPS K-6 students
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Week 8	Year 6 to CHS all week
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Presentation Night 6.45pm for 7pm start
Weeks 9-10	Swim School (Dates to be confirmed)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of school for students
Mon 19 & Tues 20 Dec	Staff Development Days

## Mosquitoes – at school

Following the recent rainfall, we have had mosquitoes appear at school. There are a few things that you can do to reduce the bites that your child has. For example, wearing longer sleeves and trousers and insect repellent. If possible, please apply insect repellent to your child before school.

## Hats & drink bottles

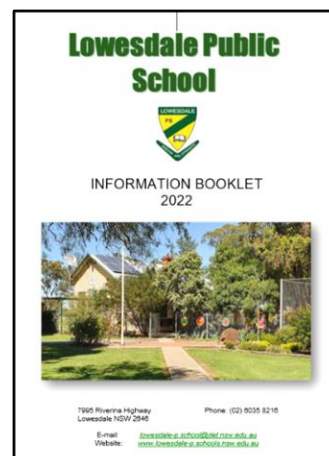
During Terms 1 & 4, students need to wear a hat or play in the shade. From the start of next week, we will be expecting students to have their hats at school for play times and sport sessions.

Students can refill their drink bottle during the day from the tap in the kitchen.

## Kindergarten Orientation Sessions

This Thursday will be the first of our Kindergarten Orientation sessions for the 2023 Kindergarten students. They will be joining our class from 9-1pm.

If you know of any other families keen to enrol their child at Lowesdale Public School, it is not too late for them to enrol. If you let us know, a copy of our school information booklet can be provided to them.





## Borambola Camp

On Thursday at Borambola camp we tried fencing. We had to put on a plastic chest plate, shoulder protection, a white jacket and a helmet. When someone says, "on guard," you stand sideways with one arm behind your back holding the foil (sword). When someone says "allez," you side gallop up to the person and start fighting. The aim of the game is to poke the other person in the stomach/chest area with the foil. There are three ways to win. You can make lowercase e, j or i the attack. I versed Lucia and Jonathan. When you win the other person will say "touché," meaning "you got me." I had never tried fencing before and when I tried it, I found it very fun.

By Edie



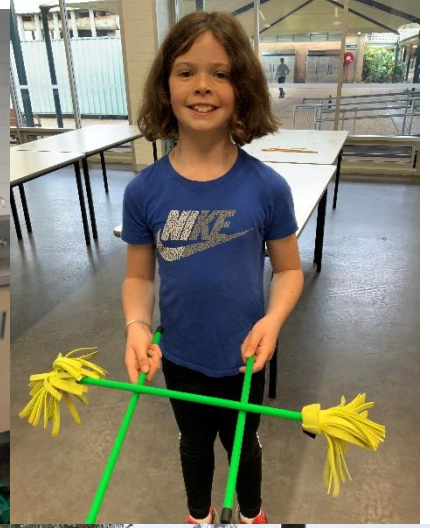
On Wednesday night we did a mini-Olympics. There were 11 stations. The first one was an egg and spoon race where you had to go around a marker and back. If you successfully get the egg to the next person, your team gets 10 points. The second station is a ring toss. If you get the ring onto the stick, you get 10 points. The third station was called under-over. What you had to do was put the netball through your legs so the person behind you can grab it and they can put it over their head. The fourth one is where there is a blanket and a ball. You must work together to get the ball into the hoop. The fifth one is where you dance around on 2 mats until the music stops. The sixth one was one-pin bowling. The seventh one was three rubber chickens under your arms and between your knees and you must jump them into a crate. Eighth one was throwing a bean bag into a hoop backwards. The ninth one was hitting a ball around a netball hoop. The tenth one was throwing a ball towards another person who was holding a crate. The final one was a workout circuit.

By Albie

When we were doing circus skills, we used grippy chop sticks and it was hard at first, but then it got easy. We did juggling with three balls and spinning plate. Diabolo was hard! I made friends with Evie, Skyla, Chelsea and Stella. I enjoyed being in the same room at night with the girls from another school and Bethany.

By Charlotte.





At camp, Lowesdale and Corowa South did archery. The rules were that you can't put the arrow on the knock, you can't go over the knee bar unless the teacher tells you to, if you dropped your bow or arrow on the grass you needed to wait until the teachers say, "range clear, pick up your arrows." The golden rule is don't aim at anyone otherwise you will miss out on archery. There are 5 colours on the target. White, black, blue, red and yellow. \* A 'knock' is a golden thing on the bow that is used to balance the arrow on.



By Jonathan.

On Wednesday I went to Borambola camp. It was my first time kayaking and it was fun. It was just me in the kayak. I learnt that when you are paddling, you pull the paddle to the back of the boat. You have to remember to sit in the middle of the kayak. I liked having a sleepover with Charlotte at camp.

By Bethany.



# **Change to isolation requirements 13 Oct 2022 (Term 4 Week 1) Updated information**

## **The latest change to isolation requirements and what this means for students, staff and visitors in schools and corporate offices.**

On 30 September, National Cabinet announced that from Friday 14 October 2022 people who test positive to COVID-19 do not need to self-isolate. In line with this announcement, the following advice is based on recommendations from NSW Health and will support schools in adapting the change while minimising the risk of COVID-19 transmissions. NSW Health and the NSW Government websites will continue to be updated to reflect the general community settings and expectations before or on Friday 14 October.

### **Students and staff should continue to stay home when sick**

Students, staff and visitors should only attend school or work (including corporate offices) when symptom free. We strongly encourage all students, staff and visitors to follow the guidance issued by NSW Health [External link](#). Schools and corporate offices should continue to send home students or staff displaying symptoms.

Anyone who believes they have been exposed to COVID-19 is strongly recommended to monitor for symptoms and test if they have any concerns, as well as wear a mask.

Staff who test positive to COVID-19 will continue to be supported by the department, with sick leave and special sick leave available.

### **We are continuing our COVID-smart measures in schools and corporate offices**

Our schools and corporate offices will continue to operate with our 'baseline' COVID-smart measures in place throughout Term 4 to minimise transmission and keep schools and offices open while prioritising student and staff wellbeing. This includes a combination of layered safety measures – strongly encouraged mask-wearing, rapid antigen testing, strongly encouraged vaccinations, ventilation, hygiene and cleaning.

Students, staff and visitors attending schools and workplaces continue to be strongly encouraged to wear a mask, particularly when indoors and/or physical distancing is not possible.

### **Reporting requirements from 14 October**

All staff in schools and corporate settings should continue to report positive tests through the Incident Notification and Response Hotline on 1800 811 523 or via the online reporting form, to access appropriate supports and advice on managing the return to work.

#### **HSC guidance**

Note that the process for students who become unwell before or on the day of their exam remains unchanged as per NESA's illness and misadventure process. For all HSC related matters such as illness and misadventure, please continue to follow NESA advice.

Please note that all of the department's changes to isolation requirements are based on the recommendations from NSW Health. Anyone who tests positive to COVID-19 or suspects that they have been in contact with a positive case should continue to follow the latest health advice.