

LOWESDALE LIAISON

Lowesdale Public School newsletter

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"Individuals can make a difference"

Term 4 Week 10
17 December 2024



End of Term 4 - Happy Holidays



As the school year draws to a close, I would like to thank the students, staff parents and the wider school community for all the support and assistance this year.

By now you will be all aware that I will not be returning next year in the Relieving Principal role. I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to an amazing school community who have welcomed and supported me over the last two years. I have enjoyed my time at the school and wish the incoming Relieving Principal all the best for the coming year.

Mrs Charna Wood comes to Lowesdale Public School with experience and knowledge having worked in small schools and larger school settings as a Relieving Principal.

On behalf of all the staff at Lowesdale Public School I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr James Southam
Rel. Principal



First Day back of Term 1 2025 for all students is Thursday 6 Feb...



Year In Review - 2024

We had a great start to our school year with another prize-winning entry in the Federation Festival Parade. This year the theme was "Carnival" and our float and students looked amazing in their bright coloured costumes with carnival wings. The float was decorated with balloons and lots of colourful decorations.

Our students have excelled in lots of different sports with representation in Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Zone and Regional Carnivals.

This year we have once again participated in lots of activities with our small schools network. We attended Brocklesby PS every Friday for 5 weeks for a music program delivered by the Conservatorium of Music in Albury and we celebrated Harmony Day there with Rand PS, attended a Musica Viva performance with Urana PS at Jerilderie PS, attended an Alpha Show performance at Oatlands PS, attended Corowa South PS for a Healthy Harold visit and participated in a school camp to Canberra with them as well.

We have had many highlights this year: an amazing Presentation and Performance Night enjoyed by our school and wider community, the P & C hosted the Biggest Morning Tea for Breast Cancer and raised over \$2000, we participated in the Corowa Show where our students works were showcased and prizes were won, our students marched in the Anzac Day Parade and we had a visit from an Olympian Kyle Bruce who gave the students some tips in weightlifting and each child received some personal memorabilia from the Commonwealth and Pacific Games to keep.





Year in Review
2024



Presentation Night



A big thank you to everyone who attended the 2024 Lowesdale Public School Presentation Night and especially to our invited special guests who presented the students with their awards.

It was wonderful to have Mrs Margaret Playford (Playford Sports Award), Mr Angus Kingston (Coral Kingston Writing Award), Mrs Kerrie Kuschert (Art Awards), Mr Bryan Gray (Rotary Bursary Award) and Mr Derek Schoen (Academic Achievement Award) take a role in our Presentation Night proceedings.

All the hard work of our P&C members, community members, staff and students paid off with a fabulous night of performances and award presentations.

Congratulations to the following students who received an award on the night.

- Academic Effort Award** – Dakota Sloman
- Art Award Junior** – Jan Kaczanowski
- Art Award Senior** – Harrison Cooper
- Attendance Award** – Levi Robb
- Aurora Year 6 STEM Award** – Edie Tomlinson
- Citizenship Award** – Edie Tomlinson
- Coral Kingston Writing Award** – Edie Tomlinson
- Home Reading Award** – Daisy Cocking
- Kindergarten Graduation** – Jan Kaczanowski
- Library Award** – Archibald Taylor-Ware
- Playford Sports Award** – Bethany Sloman
- Premier's Sporting Medal** – Ned Clifton
- Rotary Bursary Award** – Charlotte Peterson
- Year 6 Graduation** – Edie Tomlinson, Harrison Cooper







Water Fun Day

Last week the students of Lowesdale PS got to celebrate all their hard work with a water fun day.

The highlight of the day was when the students got to do their customary drenching of the teacher.

Mrs Courtney Kuschert was a good sport and took one for the Lowesdale staff.

A fun day was had by all....





P&C Report

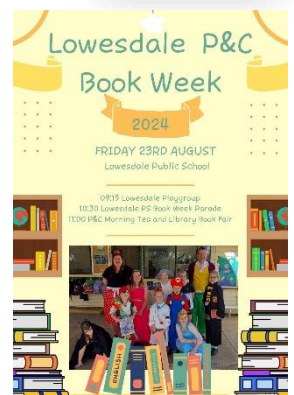
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What an amazing year Lowesdale P&C has had.

This year our wonderful P&C were nominated for “**Association of the Year**” and out of an incredible number of entries our nomination was successful. Thank you to all our fabulous P&C members who have worked tirelessly during the year raising funds and supporting Lowesdale PS.

Some of the highlights include –

- Decorated and entered a school float for the Federation Day celebrations in Corowa.
- Created a beautiful garden outdoor space for the students to go to read and chill out.
- Replanted and maintained a vegetable garden for students, their families and the local community.
- Hosted Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea and raised over \$2500 for the Breast Cancer Council.
- Catered for Corowa District Landcare – Breakfast with the Birds and raised funds for our school.
- Hosted the “Wiggle and Giggle” playgroup on a Friday morning.
- Hosted a Book Fair and catered for the Book Week Parade.
- Mrs Bec Tomlinson painted a mural in our school grounds with the Year 6 students.
- Catered for a local Clearing Sale and raised funds for our school.
- Provided morning tea and lunch for all students during the 5 days of swim school at Corowa Pool.
- Assisted staff with the setting up of the exhibition of art works by the students of Lowesdale PS for the Corowa Show.
- Catered for Presentation Night.
- Successful grant application for \$1000 for our community garden.



An awesome effort for such a small school community....

This year we will also be farewelling Mrs Bec Tomlinson who has been our P&C President for many years. Bec has put in many voluntary hours at our school and will be greatly missed. A big thank you from the school community for everything you have done for the students and our school.

Next year our playgroup will continue to run on a Friday and for further information please follow Lowesdale P&C Facebook page for dates, times and any changes.

Our AGM for 2025 will be held on Monday 10 February 2025 at 3.15pm. All parents, carers and community members are invited to attend.





All the best Mr Southam

The influence

of a **great** principal

can **never** be erased.



We will miss you