



# COWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

## 'Newsletter'

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**Term 1 Week 11**  
**9th April 2020**

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of Term One! It has certainly been a very challenging one and I would like to thank families for your continued support as we adapt to our new ways of teaching and learning. I'm sure that all students, staff and parents are looking forward to the holidays and the opportunity to relax and recharge the batteries.

### **Easter Egg Guessing Competition**

Miss Irvine and Mrs Partridge have been busy over the past week, running our Facebook Easter Egg Guessing Competition! Entries have been coming in thick and fast and yesterday the competition closed. A big CHOCOLATEY congratulations to our Infants winner – Edward Roberts from Bugbug and to our Primary winner Star Nelligan from Wilay who both guessed the correct number of 189! Runners Up were Ben Whitty (Dinawan), Kate Montgomery (Dhundhu), Kilary Chambers (Dinawan), Paige Roberts (Wilay) and Corey Shaw (Gugaa). Billy the Platypus will be on his way today to deliver Edward and Star their jars of chocolate eggs. Our staff also got involved in the fun and this year's joint winners were Mrs Duncan and Miss Storr - we hope you enjoy your Easter treats! Thank you to Miss Irvine and Mrs Partridge for their organisation!

### **Easter Hats**

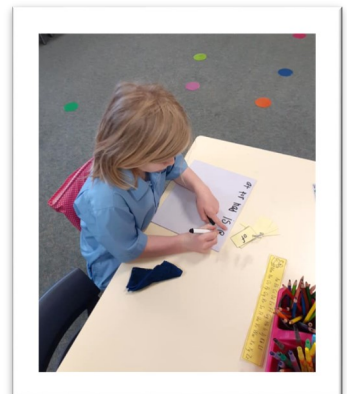
We LOVE Easter at CPS, and the annual Infants Easter Hat Parade down Kendal Street has always been an event on the school calendar that everyone looks forward to. This year, unfortunately we have had to cancel the parade however we have challenged all students to make their own Easter Hat at home. We have been blown away by the photos sent in so far, of the many beautiful and colourful Easter hats. Well done to all students and parents on your creativity!

### **Term 2 Plans**

While the staff are very keen for a break, we are also excited to begin a new Term, with new opportunities to engage our students in learning as we move to a mixture of online and traditional teaching methods. We are anticipating that we will work for most, if not ALL, of Term 2 in this way. So, what's ahead for Term 2?

- Staff Development Day on Monday 27th April – staff will be involved in professional learning centred around online learning technologies
- "At Home" Learning Packs for Term 2 Week 1 will be emailed and posted to families in the second week of the holidays. The packs will also be uploaded to the school website.
- Learning for students begins on Tuesday 28th April.
- All staff have emailed their students this week, so please encourage your child to contact their teacher using this method in Term 2. Staff will be "off-line" during the school holidays and we ask all families to respect our teacher's needs to spend their holiday time with their families.

### **At school learning**



### **Dates to Remember**

Assemblies and sporting events have been postponed or cancelled due to the COVID 19 virus.

The last day of term is Thursday, 9th April 2020.

The first day of term 2 will be Tuesday, 28th April 2020.

- As we begin Term 2, school laptops will be loaned out to families as per the needs identified in the IT Survey which was completed this week over the phone with class teachers. More information regarding this will be shared during the first week back of next term.
- Our CPS Tech Team have developed some "How To" videos for families to watch via YouTube which demonstrate how to access Zoom and Google Classroom – these will be the technology platforms we will be using in Term 2 for our online learning. Links to the CPS Parent YouTube channel will be shared in Term 2.
- "At Home" Learning Packs will continue throughout Term 2. These will become more tailored to your child's learning needs and will be a combination of online lessons and instructional videos, pen and paper activities and Google classroom exercises.
- We are all "new" to teaching and learning in this way and expect that there will be challenges and triumphs as the Term progresses. Please remember we work in partnership with every family and if you need any assistance, we are only a phone call away.

### **ANZAC Day**

This year ANZAC Day falls in the school holidays and sadly, there will be no Cowra ANZAC Day Wreath-laying Ceremony or ANZAC Day March. We strongly encourage all families to take some time on April 25th, to talk about the meaning and significance of ANZAC Day and remember our servicemen and women who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Lest we forget.

As we wrap up the final week of Term One I would like to acknowledge the fantastic efforts of the staff at Cowra PS and the wonderful progress our students have made so far this year. I hope all CPS families have a relaxing holiday and enjoy spending time with family. School resumes for teachers on Monday 27th April and all students will return to school on **Tuesday 28th April**.

Have a very happy Easter and a wonderful holiday!

Jenny Lewis  
Principal



**Aurora College**  
The virtual school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's virtual school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes for high potential and gifted students in rural and remote government schools.

The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and to learn globally. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons using cutting-edge technologies in a virtual learning environment.

Aurora currently offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to Year 7-10 students and also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school.

In 2021, Aurora College will have an Opportunity Class for Year 5 students enrolled in rural and remote government primary schools. Students will study the content of the Mathematics and Science and Technology syllabuses, with a focus on STEM.

**AURORA COLLEGE**  
IGNITING NEW WAYS OF LEARNING

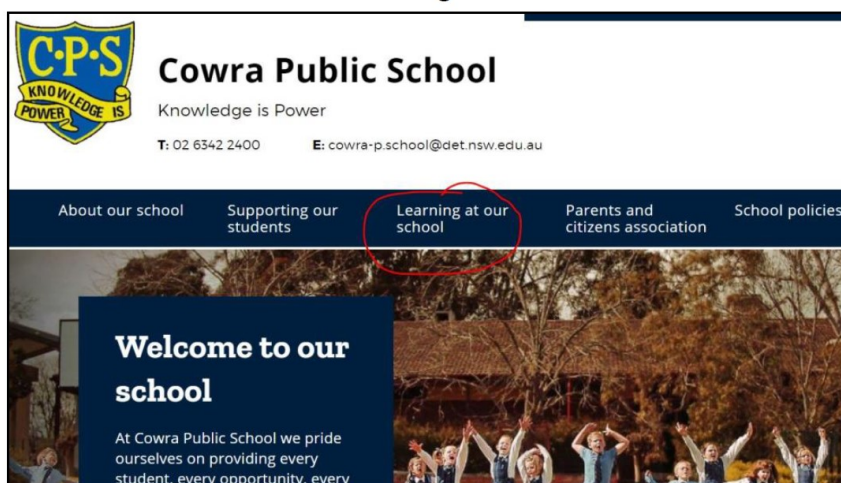
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Opens 28 April 2020  
Closes 15 May 2020

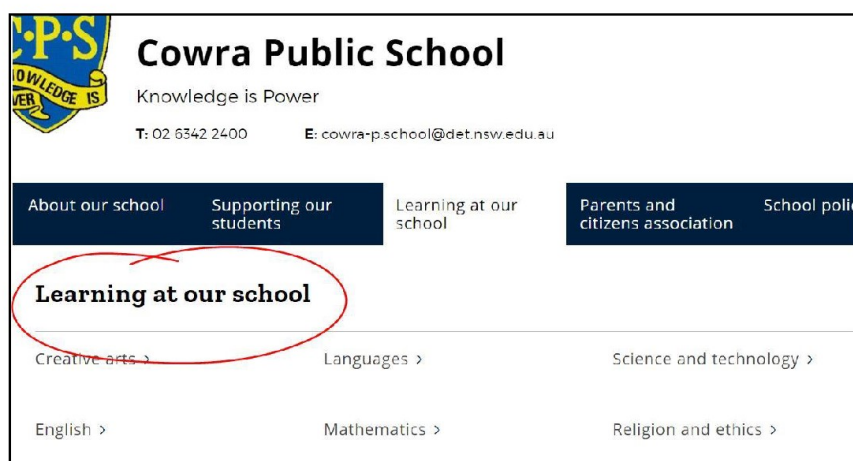
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# How to access “At Home” Learning Packs from the Cowra Public School website:

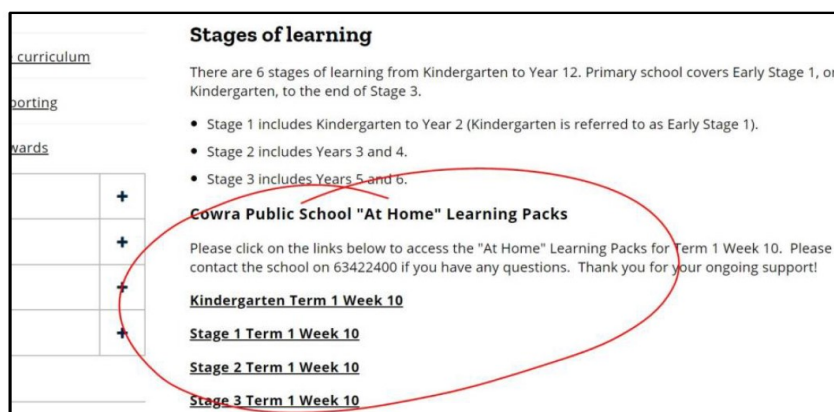
**Step 1** – Go to the CPS Website and click on “Learning at our school”



**Step 2** - Click on the “Learning at School” heading in bold print



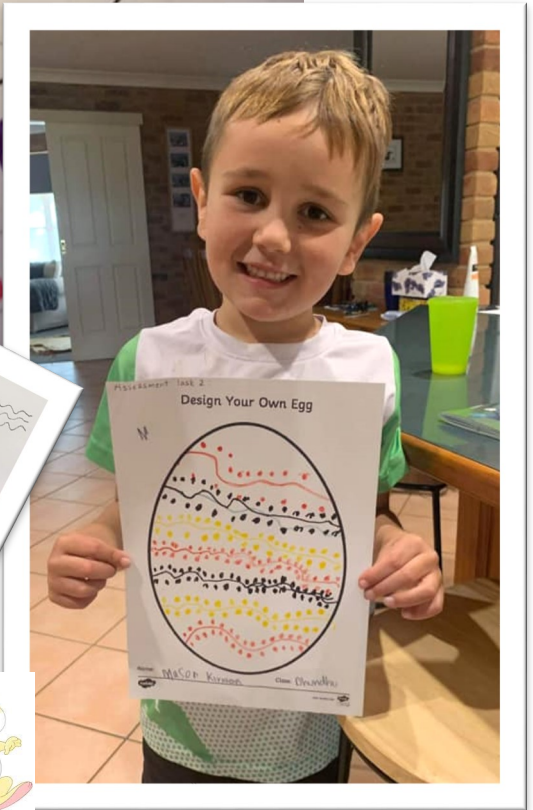
**Step 3** – Scroll to the bottom of the page where you will see the heading Cowra Public School “At Home” Learning Packs. Hover your mouse over the pack you need and click. New weekly packs will be added to the website as they are sent home. A PDF document will open with the Learning Program and worksheets attached. We will continue to email and post packs as requested. The website is a ‘back up’ in case your pack doesn’t arrive in time or gets misplaced.







**HAPPY EASTER TO  
ALL COWRA  
PUBLIC SCHOOL'S  
STUDENTS & FAMILIES**





# SPORT REVIEW - Term 1



## Western Swimming Carnival



Although COVID-19 has stopped our sport at this moment, Cowra Public Students were able to hold their own swimming carnival with students progressing further, representing CPS at the Cowra District Carnival and then Representing Cowra PSSA at the Western Swimming Carnival.

Primary sport was also a big hit for term 1! Students played netball, lawn bowls, just dance, soccer, mini games, golf and cricket

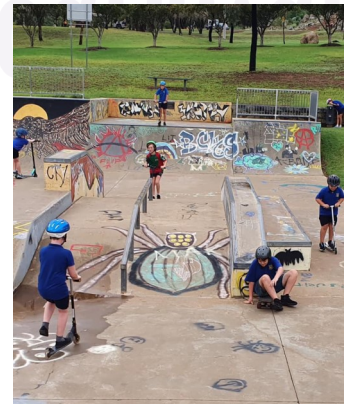
Leuwin and Oscar McGill also represented CPS at the Western PSSA Tennis trials.

We can't wait until we are able to go again!!!

Stay safe and Healthy

Greg Garlick

PE/SPORT Teacher



## C.P.S Champion House



# *Mr Embroidery Cowra*

## C.P.S. Winter Uniform

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**Return form by the 3rd April 2020 to be eligible.**

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CPS Fleece Lined Jacket S-3XL			\$67.50	
Tunic 4-18			\$63.00	
Girls L/S Blouse, Boys L/S Shirt 4-30			\$30.60	
Grey Cargo Pants Oz Surf 4-16			\$36.00	
Grey Cargo Pants Oz Surf S-3XL			\$37.80	
Grey Double Knee Trousers 4-16			\$34.60	
Microfibre Trackpants 4-16			\$36.00	
Microfibre Trackpants S-3XL			\$40.00	
CPS Embroidered bucket hat			\$10.80	
Knee high white socks			\$5.50	
3 pack short white socks			\$14.35	
3 pack short grey socks			\$14.35	
Sports polo 4-16			\$20.00	
Sports polo S-3XL			\$22.75	
Royal polar fleece jumper 4-14			\$34.20	
Royal polar fleece jumper S-3XL			\$40.00	
Navy Tights			\$12.75	

TOTAL	\$
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