



Annual Camden vs Cowra Exchange 2024

Dear Parents,

The Camden Cowra Exchange is a tradition that began in 1972 between the two schools. This makes it one of the longest sporting exchanges in Australia. Each year, one of the schools hosts the other in a three-day sporting competition. This is the 53rd year, and we will host Cowra here at Camden High School from Wednesday 5th to Friday 7th June 2024. During this time, we will have a variety of sports running at various venues on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the exchange, as well as extracurricular activities around the school.

The students from Cowra High School will arrive at lunchtime (approx 2pm) on Wednesday 5th June 2024. Normal timetabled lessons will run at Camden High School for periods 1 to 4 and then all students will attend an assembly held in the hall. Allocation of billets will be given out at the end of this assembly. All students will be dismissed at 3pm as usual on this day.

On Wednesday night, the boys Rugby League and Ladies League Tag events will take place at Kirkham Reserve from 4:45pm-7:50pm. It is a gold coin donation on entry and billeting families will need to bring the Cowra High student for a check in with their staff. **Parents of students playing in the games will need to check with coaches regarding arrival time. Families taking a billet of a student in a football team will be notified prior, as some students may need to arrive before kick-off.** As this is a school event it is an ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT. There will be a BBQ and a small canteen on the night, run by our amazing School Leadership Council. So, please bring your money to support the Year 12 Fundraising and the School and Sport Leadership groups.

On Thursday, students need to be at school prior to 8:40am for normal roll call. For Camden High School students, this will occur in normal roll call rooms and the main quad for students from Cowra High students. From 9am, students competing off site will be transported by buses to various venues. Normal timetabled lessons will not be running on this day and students not participating in sport competitions will have the opportunity to spectate and support others involved in events. Students can move around to the various sports on site to watch and cheer on the Camden team. The day will conclude at 3pm where students will be dismissed to travel home with parents or via the normal school buses. **1:30pm buses will not run on this day.**

Thursday night is the school social. It is held in the Camden High School hall from 5:30pm-8pm. Once again, Cowra High students will need to attend, as a check-in with their school staff. All Camden High School students can attend for a small cost. Entry for students taking a billet will be free, however a ticket will need to be allocated and the cost is \$5 for everyone else. This is only for students at the two schools and **outside students are NOT permitted to attend.** Tickets can be purchased at school during breaks times from D-Block window in week 5 and 6. There will be a small canteen running at night for students to have snacks and drinks at an additional cost. Parents will not be able to pick up their child or billet/s early from the event.

Friday will run like Thursday with no timetabled lessons. Roll call for both schools will be from 8:40am-9am. All students from both schools will be onsite for the whole day, as no sports will be played offsite on Friday. We will have a farewell assembly after lunch, where we hope to hold the trophy up and farewell the students from Cowra High School. The day will once again conclude at 3pm, where students will be dismissed to travel home with parents or via the normal school buses.

Regards,

Mrs Woods & Mr Garland