

Year 4 and Year 7 2023, Creativity Scholarship

Korowal School is a K-12, independent, secular, and co-educational school. Our School name, 'Korowal', is an Aboriginal word meaning 'to stand alone', or 'the strong one'. Korowal School is just that.

Founded in 1978 in Leura, Korowal School was based around a human-centred philosophy. Within this, we consider that all human beings are of equal worth and capable of reason. We believe that each of us possesses a capacity to solve problems for ourselves in order to flourish. We continue to hold these as core principles today and our values are important to us. Korowal nurtures creativity through our focus on:

Inspiring Learning, Our World, School Community, Individuality, Relationships

The aspects of education at Korowal which attract many, include:

- A beautiful natural bush setting
- A creative educational environment
- Relationship-based teaching and learning
- Inclusive programming and curriculum
- Our oracy programme which places the child's voice at the centre
- Small class sizes
- Bush Days in primary school
- Co-curricular programme in high school
- Annual drama performances and biennial Cabaret production

The Scholarship

Korowal School welcomes current and new applicants who model our school values to apply. This scholarship supports the development of talents in the creative arts. We find ourselves in an unusual position with positions available in two year groups, Year 4 and Year 7, in 2023. This scholarship programme aims to strengthen the relationships across the class and enhance the creativity the school is renowned for. The duration of the scholarship for Year 4 is for three years (Years 4, 5 and 6) and for Year 7 is for four years (Years 7, 8, 9 and 10). We will be offering a maximum of six scholarships with up to 50% fee reduction (to be determined on an individual basis).

Scholarship Criteria

In applying for a scholarship, applicants are expected to fulfil the following criteria:

- How they exemplify Korowal's ethos, values and practices.
- A particular creative passion and interest that they wish to pursue at Korowal.
- A commitment to serving their community.
- How a Korowal education can make a difference to their life and their community.

Applicants are invited to submit the following parts of the application, each of which will demonstrate how they exemplify the above qualities:

- **PART 1.** Personal Information
- **PART 2.** School records (Current Korowal students do not need to submit records/reports)
- **PART 3.** Personal statement (See page 5)
- **PART 4.** A letter of recommendation from an external community member (e.g. dance/music teacher, someone who knows your passions).
- **PART 5.** A letter of recommendation from a teacher who knows you well.

Application Process

1. **Parts 1-5** are to be submitted via email to exec@korowal.nsw.edu.au by **November 28, 2022**.
2. Applicants will then be invited to attend an interview with the Principal, Deputy Principal and/or Primary Coordinator.
3. The applications will be reviewed by the School Executive.
4. Applicants (successful and unsuccessful) will be notified following the interview.
5. The regular enrolment process would then proceed for the successful candidate/s. This includes interviews with the Year Mentor, Stage Advisor, or Class Teacher issuing of all enrolment paperwork, policies and procedures.



PART 1. Personal information

Student Details

Full name: _____

Preferred name: _____

Preferred pronoun: She/He/They _____

Date of birth: _____

Home address: _____

Contact email: _____

Contact phone: _____

Present school: _____

Number of years attending current school: _____

School address: _____

Head of school: _____

Previous School: _____

Number of years attending previous school: _____

Previous school address: _____



Family Details

Parent / Guardian 1.

Last Name: _____ Given Name/s: _____

Home Ph: _____ Mobile: _____

Business Phone _____ Email: _____

Level of education: _____

Parent / Guardian 2.

Last Name: _____ Given Name/s: _____

Home Ph: _____ Mobile: _____

Business Phone _____ Email: _____

Level of education: _____

Address Information

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Post Code: _____



PART 2. Enclose relevant school records/reports with this application.

(Current Korowal students do not need to submit records/reports)

PART 3. Personal statement

To be completed by the applicant. Applicants may type or handwrite.

1. Please describe your involvement in any service activities for your community.

2. What are your strengths and areas for growth? Please give details of your passions and highest achievements (creative arts, academic, service learning, or sporting) you have enjoyed.



3. Please give details on any other special achievements that you would like Korowal School to know about.

4. Why Korowal? What is it about our school that interests you?

5. What are your aspirations and goals as a student and how would you ensure you achieved success working towards these goals at Korowal School ?



6. How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity? Website, newspaper, word of mouth, social media.

Applicant's statement

I certify that the information given in this application is complete, authentic and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If awarded the scholarship, I agree to comply with any expectations set by Korowal School and to contribute to and support the school to the best of my ability.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

Parent/guardian's Signature:

Date:



PART 4. A letter of recommendation from an external community member (e.g. dance/music teacher, someone who knows your passions). To be completed by a person over 18 years old from the community, such as someone who knows the applicant well through their school or community services or otherwise.

To the referee: You are invited to write a 300-word letter of recommendation for this applicant. We would like to know your relationship with the applicant, how long you have known them and your assessment of their characteristics including creativity, persistence, organisational skills, how well they work with others, respectful behaviour, leadership, and self-confidence.



Please rate the student according to his/her demonstration of the following skills and attributes:

	Below average	Average - Above average	Outstanding
Curiosity			
Creativity			
Persistence			
Peer relationships			
Adult relationships			
Respectful behaviour			
Leadership			
Self confidence			

We appreciate your information about this applicant. **Please note: this is a confidential reference.** The letter of recommendation and completed table is therefore to be directly emailed to exec@korowal.nsw.edu.au. You may be contacted by Korowal School during the selection process.

Please include your full name:

Professional title or position:

Telephone:

Email Address:



PART 5: Letter of Recommendation - Teacher

To be completed by a teacher who is most knowledgeable about the applicant’s personal qualities and creativity.

Please rate the student according to his/her demonstration of the following skills and attributes:

	Below average	Average - Above average	Outstanding
Curiosity			
Creativity			
Persistence			
Peer relationships			
Adult relationships			
Respectful behaviour			
Leadership			
Self confidence			

To the applicant's teacher:

We appreciate your information about this applicant. **Please note: this is a confidential reference.** The letter of recommendation and completed table is therefore to be directly emailed to exec@korowal.nsw.edu.au. You may be contacted by Korowal School during the selection process.

Please include your full name:

Professional title or position:

Telephone:

Email Address:

Scholarship Application Checklist

To help you with the application process please use this checklist to ensure that your application is complete. Only complete applications will be considered by the Selection Committee.

Your application will be considered complete with the following:

- () Fully completed application form with personal and parent details
- () School Records (Korowal students do not need to include school records)
- () Personal Statement
- () *Letter of Recommendation from Community Member
- () *Letter of Recommendation from School Teacher

*We will let you know via email once the letters of recommendation have been received.

Acknowledgement of Country

Korowal School acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land, the Gundungurra and Darug peoples and their Elders past and present. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this region.

More Information

For further information on Korowal School please visit our website www.korowal.nsw.edu.au; email us at info@korowal.nsw.edu.au or call the school office on 4758 7466.