

Cobram Secondary College

Parent/Carer Bulletin



Term 2 Week 6 2026

Every Student Matters, Every Staff Member Cares, Every Opportunity Taken, Every Student Succeeds

From the Principal:

Celebrating Growth, Achievement and Student Success at CSC

We are incredibly proud to share the outstanding growth demonstrated by our students in the latest NAPLAN results.

These results reflect not only strong academic achievement, but also the hard work, persistence and resilience of our students, alongside the dedication and care shown by our staff every day.

Most importantly, the data shows that our whole-school approach at Cobram Secondary College is working.

Across numeracy and literacy, our students demonstrated significant growth between Year 7 and Year 9, with particularly strong improvement in the number of students achieving in the Strong and Exceeding proficiency bands.

Some highlights include:

- Year 9 Reading strong/exceeding growth increasing from 62% to 72%
- Year 9 Numeracy strong/exceeding growth increasing from 66% to 79%
- Year 9 Spelling strong/exceeding growth increasing from 54% to 80%
- Year 9 Grammar & Punctuation strong/exceeding growth increasing from 51% to 54%

These are outstanding results and demonstrate the impact of:

- consistent teaching and learning practices,
- strong relationships between students and staff,
- targeted literacy and numeracy support,
- wellbeing structures that ensure students are known and supported,
- and the collective commitment of our staff to continuous improvement.

What makes these results even more significant is that they have been achieved during a period of considerable workforce challenge across rural education. Like many regional schools, CSC continues to navigate teacher shortages and high levels of early career staffing. Despite this, our staff continue to work tirelessly to ensure every student matters, every opportunity is taken and every student succeeds.

At CSC, we firmly believe that wellbeing and learning go hand in hand. These results reflect the strength of our systems, the commitment of our teachers and education support staff, and the positive culture our students bring to school every day.

We also know that growth matters just as much as achievement. Seeing students improve over time, build confidence in their learning and challenge themselves academically is something we celebrate proudly.

Thank you to our staff, students and families for the role you all play in creating the community of tomorrow.

Together, we continue to show what is possible in rural education.

Upcoming events / key dates

Monday 1st June	Solo Performance Evening 7pm in W6
Monday 8th June	Public Holiday - King's Birthday
Thursday 11th June	Start of exam week Exams Yrs 11
Friday 12th June	Hume cross country Exams Yrs 11
Monday 15th June	Exams Yrs 9-11
Tuesday 16th June	Exams Yrs 9-11 GAT
Wednesday 17th June	Exams Yrs 9-11
Thursday 18th June	Exams Yrs 9-11
Friday 19th June	Student Free Day

Teaching and Learning

Exams are coming in Week 8 & 9 of this term. Please ensure that your child has all the required equipment they will need for their exams.

Below is an infographic to help with when students are required at school. If you have any questions please feel free to email Mrs Hutchinson.

	Years 7 & 8	Year 9 & 10	Year 11 VM	Year 11	VET	
Thursday 11th June	Classes as normal ↓	Classes as normal		Exams - students only attend for their exams ↓		
Friday 12th June		Classes as normal	Classes as normal ↓			
Monday 15th June		Exams - students only attend for their exams ↓				
Tuesday 16th June						
Wednesday 17th June						No VET classes
Thursday 18th June						
Friday 19th June		Pupil Free Day for all students				

Other important information / reminders

General Achievement Test (GAT) – Unit 3 & 4 VCE and VCE Vocational Major Students

All students enrolled in one or more Unit 3 & 4 VCE, VCE Vocational Major (VM), or scored VCE VET studies are required to sit the General Achievement Test (GAT).

The GAT plays an important role in the Victorian assessment system. It is used by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) to assess students' literacy and numeracy standards and may also be used to calculate a Derived Examination Score if a student is unable to complete an external assessment due to illness or other approved circumstances.

The 2026 GAT will be held on **Tuesday 16 June 2026** at the **Cobram Civic Centre**.

Students are expected to arrive on time and bring the required materials. School uniform is **not required** on the day. To help students prepare, information sessions will be held during Illuminate classes this week. We encourage all students to attend these sessions and ensure they arrive at school on time.

If you have any questions regarding the GAT, please contact the College.

Change in Bell times

Starting in Semester 2 (Term 2 Week 10) the school times will change slightly to allow our students extra time to get to the bus bay to catch their buses. This will also stop students needing to bring school bags to Period 5 classrooms which has become an OHS issue.

Bell Times - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday		Bell Times - Tuesday	
Music	8.55am	Music	9.00am
Illuminate	9.00am	Mentor	9.05am
Period 1	9.25am	Period 1	9.25am
Period 2	10.20am	Period 2	10.20am
Recess	11.15am	Recess	11.15am
Music	11.35am	Music	11.35am
Period 3	11.40am	Period 3	11.40am
Period 4	12.35pm	Period 4	12.35pm
Lunch	1.30pm	Lunch	1.30pm
Music	2.10pm	Music	2.10pm
Period 5	2.15pm	Period 5	2.15pm
End of Day	3.10pm	End of Day	3.10pm

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