

Cobram Secondary College

Parent/Carer Newsletter



Term 2 Week 2 2025

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

From the Principal:

Welcome to term 2! We started Term 2 with an ANZAC Ceremony, and our student leaders Kiara Stephens and Lauren Sneddon emceed the main ceremony in Cobram. Our service was attended by local community groups and business leaders and supported by the RSL, Cobram and District Pipe Band and the Australian Defence Force, who sent us the Catafalque Party, Ceremonial Guards and Commodore Papp, a former student of CSC! I was proud of our students, whose impeccable and respectful behaviour during the service was commented on by our guests. The future is in safe hands with our students.

We have a busy term coming up, with a High Ability Camp, Sports Days, Careers day out etc. This week we had Project Rockit, an anti-bullying learning session for students in years 7-10. There is also an online parent information session.

Upcoming events / key dates

Tuesday 6 May: Senior sports - years 9-12.

Thursday 8 May: Careers Day Out - year 10.

Monday 19 - Friday 23 May (week 5): Work Experience Week - years 9 & 10.

Teaching and Learning

Semester 1 Exam Schedule (Yr 9 to 11) & application form for special consideration is available on Compass. Please remember if your child requires to apply for special consideration best to do it early as there may be documentation required from specialists.

Careers

Year 10 Careers Day Out

Year 10 students from Cobram SC are invited to attend the **Careers Day Out** in Shepparton on Thursday 8th May 2025*. Students will have the opportunity to gather information on a range of careers, further education, and employment options. Students and parents can access **online permission forms** for this event via their compass feed or see Maria in the careers office for more details.

**Regular timetabled classes will be running at school for those students who choose not to attend the day out.*

Reminder: Work Experience – Term 2

Work experience is an important part of the Year 9/10 school program and is a great opportunity for students to gain practical industry experience. Work experience forms can be downloaded from the Cobram SC careers website <https://www.cobramsccareers.com/workplace-learning/required-documents> or collected from the front office or the careers office. The forms need to be filled in, signed and returned to Maria in the careers office at least one week prior to placement starting to allow time for approval and processing. Work experience week during term 2 will be held on **19th – 23rd May 2025** for interested students in year 9-10 who have organised a placement and submitted their forms. Please contact Maria in the careers office with any queries.

Whole School Wellbeing Bullying presentation

This week, students from year 7, 8 and 9 participated in Project Rokit, a program which addresses online and real life bullying. The students heard some case studies about real-life bullying situations. They were invited to reflect on their “gut reaction” to some of the scenarios, and were presented with some different ways they might respond to witnessing bullying among their peers in the future.

What you can do to support this message:

- Have conversations with your child about how to stand up for what they feel is right
- Model kindness and non-judgement of others
- Be aware that online bullying affects a lot of kids, and check in with how safe your child feels online.
- Sign up for the parent webinar hosted by Project Rokit to learn more yourself (see link on our facebook page)

From the Year Level Leader Team

ATTENDANCE

During Term 2 there will be an increased focus on attendance. Staff will be making phone calls to parents/carers when a student's attendance drops below 80%. Parents/carers can support the school by ensuring students maintain an attendance percentage of 90% or more and ensuring that all absences are explained (through a phone call or through Compass).

COMPUTERS

The new laptop borrowing program is up and running, with a small number of students borrowing devices each week. Given there are no longer laptops available to borrow throughout the day, it is important that students are charging their devices each night and bringing them along to all lessons.

Other important information / reminders

Procedure for collecting students during the school day

Reminder - There has been a change to the process for collecting students during the school day. This change is required due to the number of students leaving throughout the day and the impact this has both on staff and classes. If you need to collect your student during the school day, we kindly request that you notify the school in the morning by sending your child with a note; call the office or log on Compass. On arrival at school, our child needs to report to reception, to pick up a leave pass, this ensures a smooth and timely departure.

Please be advised, that students cannot be collected from class during lesson times without prior arrangement. There are no staff members available to retrieve students from classrooms during instructional periods. If you have not pre-arranged collection, we ask that you arrive during scheduled break times when we can use the PA system to call your child to the office.

Your cooperation in following this process helps minimise disruptions to teaching and learning. We appreciate your support in ensuring a well-organised school environment.

Camps and Excursion Fund

If you haven't applied for the Camps and Excursion Funding, please complete the application form via this [link](#).

School Saving Bonus

As a reminder to parents/carers, the school saving bonus can be used for winter uniforms through Worklocker or can be directed to school, to be used for school activities. For more information regarding the School Saving Bonus, follow this [link](#).

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