

Cobram Secondary College

Parent/Carer Newsletter



Term 3 Week 8 2025

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

From the Principal:

Earlier this week our college enacted a lockdown in response to an incident before the start of classes. I want to reassure families that student and staff safety remains my highest priority and I am working through a process to ensure ongoing student and staff safety. Students directly affected have been offered support from our wellbeing team. I thank our community for your understanding and partnership.

As we head into the final week of term, there is much to be positive about. Parent-teacher meetings next week will be a great chance to celebrate student progress, and I've also enjoyed meeting each of our 2026 incoming students and their families. It's exciting to see our school growing, with families choosing Cobram Secondary College for the breadth of opportunities and the welcoming environment that makes our school such a vibrant place to learn.

Upcoming events / key dates

- Monday 15th September - Tuesday 16th September - Grenfell Cup lunchtime activities; Parent/Carer/Teacher interviews 4pm - 6pm
- Wednesday 17th September - Parent /Carers/Teacher interviews 4pm - 6pm
- Thursday 18th September - Grenfell Cup Final & BBQ (gold coin donation); NEVR Concert band showcase (Wangaratta); VCE Music Performance Evening
- Friday 19th September - Pupil Free Day (General Office closed from 1pm)**

Teaching and Learning

Progress Reports: will be released to parents on Monday 8th September

Parent Teacher Interviews: Monday 15th Sept 4.00pm - 6.00pm, Wednesday 17th Sept 4.00pm - 6.00pm.

Parent Teacher Bookings: Bookings available through Compass now

Semester 2 Exams: A draft of the Exam timetable is now available on Compass

- Year 11's Exams will run from Thursday 21st November to Friday 28th November
- Year 9 & 10 Exams will run from Monday 24th November to Friday 28th November

Trial exams and revision classes for Year 12's dates available via this [link](#)

Careers

Parents Need Career Advice Too - Parents Lack Knowledge of Post-High School Options

Many Gen Z parents are largely unaware of the full range of options available to their children after they leave high school, other than taking a university degree or getting a job. There's a wealth of career opportunities that don't require a 3 or 4 year degree, cost less and are equally rewarding that they are not aware of.

In a recent survey conducted by Gallup USA, Jobs for the Future, **90% of Gen Z students** said they trust their parents to advise them on next steps after high school. [Now here's the problem!](#)

Parents say they don't know enough about the vast majority of valuable education and training options their children could pursue. They're especially in the dark about anything that isn't either pursuing a career directly or getting a bachelor's degree. Read more via this [link](#).

Whole School Wellbeing

Absenteeism information pack for parents/carers regarding via this [link](#).

From the Year Level Leader Team

Uniform - hats for Term 4

As per the school sunsmart policy broad brimmed hats are required at recess and lunchtimes during Term 4. Please use the holiday period to dig hats out from the back of the wardrobe ready for the beginning of Term 4. Students not wearing broad brimmed hats are required to remain in the shade.

Year 7 rewards lunch

Year 7 students who have demonstrated positive behaviours and achieved a high attendance rate over the last three weeks of term will be invited to a rewards lunch during period 4 Thursday 18th September. Please keep an eye on your emails for notifications relating to this celebration.

Other important information / reminders

Building Strong Community Partnerships at CSC

At Cobram Secondary College, we are committed to ensuring *every opportunity is taken* when it comes to connecting our students with local career pathways. The outstanding industry support shown at our recent Hydrogen Grand Prix luncheon at the Sporties has opened doors to guest speakers, on-site vocational workshops, and valuable work experience opportunities.

Recent highlights include CPE Construction and Future Fitness hosting a site visit for Year 9 Applied and VM students, which has led to several work experience placements. In Term 4, Moira Shire Council will welcome CSC students each week, rotating them across a range of Council departments to showcase the diverse careers available locally. Saputo has also invited our Hydrogen Team to learn directly from their engineers, while Cobram Small Engines will be working alongside our Swiss-bound champions to refine their car design.

These partnerships ensure CSC students graduate with strong connections to local industries and real insight into future opportunities. If your business is looking to recruit and invest in the region's future workforce, we encourage you to get in touch so we can collectively *grow our own*.

Please contact me, Carly Marriott, at Carly.Marriott@education.vic.gov.au or 0407 305 900, to discuss how we can build strong community partnerships for the benefit of our students.

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