



# COBDEN TECHNICAL SCHOOL

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**Term 3      Week 10**  
**22 September, 2017**

*We are committed to find, and celebrate, successful outcomes for students, whether that is in the pursuit of high level academic achievement, or the development of specific vocational skills.*  
*The values we strive to develop and promote through our interactions with students, parents and other members of our community are Honesty, Excellence, Accountability, Respect and Trust - HEART.*

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## Principal

Rohan Keert

People who work in schools will regularly talk about how busy Term 3 is. This year has been no exception. I would like to thank all staff, students and parents for their support while we worked our way through some of the heavy lifting in preparation for 2018. The days are getting longer, spring is finally in the air and we will all benefit from the two-week break.

**Term 4 – Sunsmart**

**School approved bucket hat must be worn in Term 4**

**Lost your hat? Get to Reichas for a new one.**

**No hat means you will be in an undercover area.**

For our Year 12 students it is an important to make the most of the September holidays to focus on completing assessment tasks, revising and consolidating what you have covered this year. It is you last chance to really knuckle down in preparation for the exams which commence on Wednesday 1 November.

In Term 4, our teachers will begin to implement an agreed instructional model incorporating high impact teaching strategies as we continue to work towards improving student outcomes. The first element we will focus on is setting goals. Lesson goals always explain what students need to understand, and what they must be able to do. This helps the teacher to plan learning activities, and helps students understand what is required. Evidence shows that teacher clarity around lesson goals

is one of the most effective things we can do to improve student outcomes. Over the next twelve months we will be focussing on all ten of the high impact teaching strategies.

It won't be long now before we are ready to move into our new Trade Wing which is part of the Corangamite Trade Training Cluster. Most of the construction is nearly finished and very soon we will begin installing the new equipment. Early 2018, we will have an official opening with an open invitation to many past and present members of our school and local community. Stay tuned for the date.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break. I hope your footy team gets up!

## Assistant Principal

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Michael Smart

The winter Term is coming to a close, and Term 4 brings with it a hope of brighter weather and positive students working productively toward the end of the year. Year 12 students will have three short weeks in Term 4 to complete their studies prior to their study week and end of year exams. This means that the Term 3 break is critical for these students to revise work from across the year, and continue to practice exam style questions. The exams for our students will commence with English on Wednesday 1 November. All relevant exams are listed in the Compass calendar.

For our Year 7 to 10 students, we have a lot to work on in preparation for 2018. Our Year 8 to 11 students have been selecting subjects for 2018, and need to keep working in a positive manner to ensure they reach the end of the year ready to take on the challenge of new subjects.

Each student should ask themselves:

- Have I made the effort I need to fully understand the ideas covered in class?
- What do I do when I get stuck? Do I have strategies I can use to work past a mind block?
- Has my impact on other learners been supportive and encouraging?
- What do I need to do to get better at my subject skills?

### Attendance concerns

We observed a marked increase in student absence during Term 3. Please be aware that absences from school can have a major impact on student learning and achievement. Some students find it difficult to catch up on work missed, some difficult to pick up the thread of what is being learned due to gaps in their learning sequence, and it is more likely that students experience difficulty in both of these areas.



**IT'S NOT OK  
TO BE AWAY**

How can you help? If your child is absent, please let the school know. If your child is going to be absent for more than one day, please encourage them on their return to school to approach their teachers to work out what sort of support can be arranged to help them get back on track with their learning.

Please be aware that an appropriate medical certificate should accompany extended periods of absence, particularly for students in VCAL and VCE classes.

Being at school is the best way for your child to learn. Please do your best to support their attendance and learning.

## Uniform

Term 4 is a summer uniform Term. Here are a few reminders about uniform expectations:

- If your child is out of uniform and has a valid reason, providing a note of explanation will help them avoid demerits that lead to detention.
- Hooded tops are not uniform. Students wearing hooded tops will be asked to surrender them for the day. Where we have a suitable size, a jumper will be loaned to the student.
- The school uniform policy states that neat trousers are to be worn. Track pants, leggings, and skinny leg jeans are not uniform. As we may see more students in shorts, please remember that sports shorts are not uniform.
- Plain black or plain white socks are acceptable for all boys and girls.
- The only acceptable clothing to be worn under the plain white polo shirt is a plain white t-shirt or plain white singlet.
- Term 4 is a hat wearing Term as part of protection from harmful UV radiation. A brimmed hat is needed for the yard, and the school bucket hat is the only acceptable hat for school. Peaked caps are not 'SunSmart' as they do not protect the ears and side of the face. All students are required to have a school sun safe hat for access to the yard. This policy was published in Term 1, so please support us in protecting your child from UV radiation by providing them with an appropriate hat.

## Well-Being Expo

Jason Beveridge

All students in Years 7-10 will participate in a Well-being Expo during Week 1 term 4 as a part of Mental Health Week.

Students will participate in a range of activities including:

Undercurrent respectful relationships workshop – The undercurrent organisation will provide our students with insight into what is a respectful relationship, how to maintain a respectful relationship and what to do if your relationships are not respectful.

Victoria Police – The Victoria Police will deliver sessions that discuss Cyber Safety and Drug and Alcohol Harm Minimisation. The Cyber safety session will focus on how young people can protect themselves from harm when on the internet, what is acceptable internet behaviour and the law around internet usage. The Drug and Alcohol Harm Minimisation session will focus on the drug and alcohol use of young people and the damage that results.

Safe Schools – These sessions will focus on creating a safe environment in the school that promotes diversity and inclusiveness. The sessions focus on ensuring the school is a place where bullying and discrimination are not tolerated and that individuals are accepted for who they are.

Students will also participate a range of physical activities including a tough mudder, court games, boxercise and yoga.



# Natural Disasters Field Trip

Carl Trewin

Throughout Term 3, the Year 9/10 Natural Disasters class have been studying environmental change in coastal environments. In particular, we have been focusing on how geographical processes, such as erosion and deposition, maintain dynamic equilibrium in coastal ecosystems. Following weeks of developing background knowledge and an inquiry question, the group set out to investigate the impact of erosion at Port Fairy and the use of coastal management techniques.

Working with David, a volunteer from the Port Fairy Coastal Group, the class completed a longitudinal beach profile using a laser-level. David was extremely generous with his time, working with students to carry out the profile and evaluate data generated. This work directly contributed to the coastal monitoring project currently being undertaken by the Coastal Group. Following this, students gathered further primary data through observations, interviews and sketches.



This was an excellent example of experiential learning, and all the students benefitted from getting out of the classroom and into the real world. Most impressively, students were enthusiastic participants, asking engaging questions and listening carefully when learning fieldwork techniques from David. Every student represented Cobden Technical School to the highest standard. The class will now use this data to develop a Field Trip Report, illustrating the results of their geographic inquiry.



**Congratulations to past student Amy Kellermeier  
on achieving her Queen's Scout Award**

# Indonesian Trip 2018

Liz Formby

## **PROPOSED Itinerary:**

Tuesday September 18: Staff and students travel to Melbourne and stay at Melbourne Metro YHA.

Wednesday September 19: Staff and students arrive at the airport by 8:00am

International flight to Denpasar, Bali transfer to domestic flight to Yogyakarta, Java. One night at a hostel/hotel as a group.

Thursday September 20: until Monday September 24: Homestay in Yogyakarta. Host families are required to have an interview to be able to host a student.

Monday September 24 – Friday September 28: Group accommodation in Bali. Activities in and around Ubud, Bali.

Saturday September 29: Morning at Waterbom Park, Kuta.

Saturday September 29: Flight to Melbourne. Arrival at 08:25am (Sunday September 30)

Sunday September 30: Students picked up from Cobden Technical School at approximately 2:30pm.

## **Activities - Yogyakarta:**

### Thursday – Friday

Morning – morning classes at our sister school – SMP 5 Yogyakarta with host brother/sister.

10:00 – Morning tea with group.

Early afternoon will include one of the following:

- Workshops – Batik design, dance and handicrafts.
- Language activities and workshops.
- Visit to a local village.
- 'Amazing Race' style activities

Late afternoon and night – with host families.

### Saturday and Sunday

Time with host family.

Local tour – including Borobudur and Prambanan temples.

## **Activities - Bali:**

### Across the various days:

- Language classes. Cooking classes.
- Visit to a local charity group to help for a day.
- Dance and self-defence lessons
- Rice terrace walks
- Waterbom Park
- Site-seeing and shopping



Cost - In total the cost should not be more than \$3000. This includes all aspects of the tour - flights, accommodation, meals, etc. It also includes spending money and passport costs.

## **Participation**

Participation in the 2018 Indonesian Tour is not automatic. Priority is given to the 2018 Year 11, 10 and 9 students studying Indonesian along with students who have hosted a student through the sister school program. There may also be places available for 2018 Year 8 students and other students. Students will be required to attend an interview during which they will be asked various questions to gauge their reasons for participating and how they will contribute to the tour. Students will be informed as to the result of the interview and a \$100 deposit along with establishing a payment plan will be required within two weeks if they are awarded a place in the tour group.

**Interested?:** Please see Ms Formby ASAP for further information and an expression of interest form.



## Important Dates for VCE Students:

Final Year 12 Classes – Wednesday, 25 October

Exams Begin – Wednesday, 1 November

Valedictory Dinner – Wednesday, 22 November

Exam Results – Monday, 18 December

Presentation Afternoon – Wednesday, 20 December

| <b>2017 VCE EXAM TIMETABLE</b> |   |   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Wednesday<br>1 November        | 9.00am – 12.15pm<br><b>English</b>                                |   |
| Thursday<br>2 November         | 9.00am – 11.45am<br><b>Psychology</b>                             |   |
| Friday<br>3 November           | 9.00am – 11.45am<br><b>Biology</b>                                | 2.00pm – 3.45pm<br><b>Further Mathematics Examination 1</b> |
|                                |   |   |
| Monday<br>6 November           | 9.00am – 10.45am<br><b>Further Mathematics Examination 2</b>      | 3.00pm – 5.15 pm<br><b>Business Management</b>              |
| Tuesday<br>7 November          | <b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>   |   |
| Wednesday<br>8 November        | 9.00am – 10.15am<br><b>Mathematical Methods Examination 1</b>     |   |
| Thursday<br>9 November         | 11.45am – 2.00pm<br><b>Mathematical Methods Examination 2</b>     | 3.00pm – 5.15pm<br><b>Physical Education</b>                |
| Friday<br>10 November          | 11.45am – 2.00pm<br><b>Health &amp; Human Development</b>         | 3.00pm – 5.15pm<br><b>Accounting</b>                        |
|                                |   |   |
| Monday<br>13 November          | 9.00am – 10.45am<br><b>Product Design &amp; Technology</b>        | 3.00pm – 5.15pm<br><b>Outdoor and Environmental Studies</b> |
| Tuesday<br>14 November         | 9.00am – 11.45am<br><b>Chemistry</b>                              |   |
| Wednesday<br>15 November       | 9.00am – 11.45am<br><b>Physics</b>                                | 2.00pm – 4.15pm<br><b>Legal Studies</b>                     |
| Thursday<br>16 November        | 9.00am – 10.45am<br><b>Agriculture &amp; Horticulture Studies</b> |   |
| Friday<br>17 November          | 9.00am – 10.45pm<br><b>Studio Art</b>                             | 11.45am – 1.30pm<br><b>Food Studies</b>                     |
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| Monday<br>20 November          | 9.00am – 10.45am<br><b>Systems Engineering</b>                    |   |

# Cancer Research Presentation

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Leonie Wallace

As part of Glenfyne Gold's fundraising focus on Daffodil Day, we were fortunate this term to have two cancer researchers address our Year 10-12 students. Dr Nick Wilson and his wife, Dr Megan Baldwin, spoke about the incidence of cancer, survival rates and the important work they do in developing treatments. Dr Wilson has a local connection as he attended Timboon P-12 in the same year as Ms Wallace and his parents still live in the area.

Dr Baldwin is CEO and Managing Director of the ASX listed company Opthea Limited and has over 20 years of experience in preclinical and clinical development of therapies for cancer and eye diseases.

Dr Wilson is Director and Head of Translational Research at CSL Limited and is an Honorary Fellow of the University of Melbourne. Dr Wilson has more than 20 years of experience in cytokine biology and drug development. CSL is a global specialty company that develops and delivers biotherapies that save lives and help people with life threatening medical conditions live full lives.

Dr Wilson and Dr Baldwin relayed some important information to our students including the following points:

- A third of women and a quarter of all men will suffer cancer in their lifetime. (Cancer Council)
- The most commonly diagnosed cancer in Australia is prostate cancer, followed by colorectal or bowel cancer, breast cancer, melanoma of the skin and lung cancer.
- The survival rate for many types of cancer has increased by more than 20% in the past three decades due to treatment improvements and new interventions brought about by research. Unfortunately, this increase is not consistent across all cancers.



Marcus Watson, Dr Wilson, Dr Baldwin, Natalie Meade

## U3A

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Marilyn Kimber

Corangamite U3A would like to publicly express their appreciation to the Cobden Technical School for allowing their members to use the Food Technology room for a series of cooking classes.

The room the Tech School has for food technology classes is very impressive and the opportunity to use such a high quality facility was very much appreciated by our members.

Our members thoroughly enjoyed their 4 Italian Cooking classes and would like to thank Liz Patterson (former teacher at the Tech School) who volunteered her retirement time to take these classes. U3A is an organization for retired people to continue lifelong learning and this class definitely provided this opportunity.

Thank you Cobden Technical School. Your support was very much appreciated.



# Sport

Belinda Savage

## Upcoming Events

|           |                           |   |
|-----------|---------------------------|---|
| Monday    | October 16 <sup>th</sup>  | Minyip Field and Game Shoot                         |
| Wednesday | October 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Year 7 and 8 T20 Super 8 Cricket - Warrnambool      |
| Monday    | October 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | South West Middle Years Clay Target Comp.           |
| Monday    | October 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | SSV State Track and Field Championships – Melbourne |
| Thursday  | October 26 <sup>th</sup>  | Year 9/10 T20 Super 8 Cricket – Warrnambool         |
| Monday    | November 27 <sup>th</sup> | Cricket Victoria Year 7/8 Girls Leadership Program  |
| Thursday  | November 30 <sup>th</sup> | Year 7 – 9 Summer Sports (HSSSD Interschool)        |

## GWR Track and Field Championships in Ballarat on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Congratulations to the following students for a super effort at the recent Greater Western Region Interschool Track and Field Championships at Ballarat with all students doing a fantastic job.

|                     |                 |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Harley Reynolds     | 1 <sup>st</sup> | U18-20 Boys Shotput   |
| Carly Walsh         | 1 <sup>st</sup> | U18-20 Girls Discus   |
| Jayden Royal        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | U16 Boys Shotput      |
| Jayden Stapleton    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | U18-20 Boys Long Jump |
|                     | 4 <sup>th</sup> | U18 – 20 Boys 100 M   |
|                     | 4 <sup>th</sup> | U18 – 20 Boys 200 M   |
| Natalie Meade       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | U18 – 20 Girls 100 M  |
| Marcus Watson       | 4 <sup>th</sup> | U18 – 20 Boys Discus  |
| Kurt Merrett        | 4 <sup>th</sup> | U14 Boys Javelin      |
| Kayla Hunter        | 4 <sup>th</sup> | U15 Girls Shot Put    |
| Willoughby Perriss  | 5 <sup>th</sup> | U13 Boys Long Jump    |
|                     |                 | U13 Boys 1500 M       |
| Alexander Johnstone |                 | U17 Boys Discus       |



Harley



Carly

Harley Reynolds and Carly Walsh have now qualified to attend at the School Sports Victoria State Track and Field Secondary State Championships to be held at Lakeside Stadium Athletics Track in Albert Park on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017. We wish them all the best at the State Championships.

## Minyip Field and Game Shoot on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Any student wishing to attend the Minyip Field and Game Shoot please speak to Belinda Savage.

## South West Middle Years Clay Target Comp – at Lake Gillear

On Monday October 23<sup>rd</sup> the South Western Secondary School Students shoot for Years 7 – 9 will be held at Lake Gillear shooting complex.

This competition is open to students who are not only competent shooters but open to beginners who have demonstrated competency in firearm safety. For this to occur, the format of this competition will provide two categories:-

- Novice – LESS than 12 months firearm experience; and
- Experienced – MORE than 12 months firearm experience.

The entry fee for all the competitors is \$20.00. If you would like to attend this event, please speak to Belinda Savage or Debbie Windon.





### Rebels Selection

Congratulations to Ally Jeffery, who has been selected in the Western Victorian Rebels Womens Football Team for the VLine Cup. Ally will be attending a 3 day camp in Gippsland, where the team will be training and then playing two football games against similar level teams. Good Luck Ally.

## Calendar

| WEEK | DATE                   | EVENT  |
|------|------------------------|--|
|      | <b>TERM 4</b>          |  |
| 1    | Monday, 9 October      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Term 4 Begins</li> </ul>  |
|      | Wednesday, 11 October  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Well Being Carnival</li> </ul>  |
|      | Thursday, 12 October   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Well Being Carnival</li> </ul>  |
|      | Friday, 13 October     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Canteen – Fundraising BBQ lunch will be available</li> </ul>                                     |
| 2    | Monday, 16 October     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minyip Field and Game Shoot</li> </ul>  |
|      | Wednesday, 18 October  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>South West Middle Years Clay Target Competition</li> </ul>  |
| 3    | Monday, 23 October     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Council – 7pm</li> <li>State Athletics Championships - Melbourne</li> </ul>                  |
|      | Wednesday, 25 October  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final Day of Year 12 Classes</li> </ul>   |
|      | Thursday, 26 October   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MITT (Multi Industries Trade Taster) – SW TAFE</li> <li>T20 Super 8 Cricket – Years 9/10</li> </ul> |
| 4    | Wednesday, 1 November  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VCE Exams Commence</li> </ul>   |
|      | Friday, 3 November     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interschool Motocross</li> </ul>  |
| 5    | Tuesday, 7 November    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Melbourne Cup Holiday</b></li> </ul>   |
| 6    |                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>   |
| 7    | Friday, 24 November    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final Day of Year 11 Classes</li> </ul>   |
|      | Monday, 27 November    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cricket Victoria Leadership Program – Years 7/8 Girls</li> </ul>                                    |
| 8    | Wednesday, 29 November | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 Exams Commence</li> </ul>   |
|      | Thursday, 30 November  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summer Sports Interschool – Years 7-9</li> </ul>  |
|      | Friday, 1 December     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final day of 2017 Classes</li> </ul>  |
| 9    | Monday, 4 December     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole School Upgrade – Week 1</li> <li>School Council – 6.30pm</li> </ul>                           |
|      | Monday, 11 December    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole School Upgrade – Week 2</li> </ul>  |
| 11   | Monday, 18 December    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity Day 1</li> </ul>   |
|      | Tuesday, 19 December   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity Day 2</li> </ul>   |
|      | Wednesday, 20 December | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Reports Published</li> <li>Presentation Afternoon</li> </ul>                                |

As of next term we will be publishing a single sheet “Calendar of Events” every Friday and two newsletters per term. One mid term and one at the end of the term. The Calendar of Events will be handed to the eldest child in the family whilst the Newsletter will be published on Compass and Emailed to families.

COPRICE COBDEN SPRING FESTIVAL

WEBBER & CHIVELL

8<sup>th</sup> Annual FUN RUN / WALK 2017

Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>

WALK – 9.am

Entry Fee. \$5.00

Registration 8.00-8.30am at

Cobden Technical School Gymnasium

Walk Rail Trail, Naroghid - Cobden. Distance 7.5kms

Bus shuttle to start point

RUN – 9.30am

Entry Fee: U/10, U/12, U15, \$5.00. Open \$10.00

Registration 8.30 – 9.15am at

Cobden Technical School Gymnasium.

Sections Male and Female:

U/10, U/12, U15 and Open Distance

U/10, U/12 3.2 Kms

U/15 and Open 6.0 Kms

First runner to break the 6 klm record time of 19m 23s  
held by Tom Hynes will win \$100.00

Registration and entries on day of event.

For more info: Kevin Duffin, 5595 1638, 0457 650 777



The poster for the Cobden Spring Festival 2017 features a colorful illustration at the top with the word 'Cobden' in a large, yellow, cursive font. Below it, 'SPRING FESTIVAL' is written in a red banner with musical notes. The dates '13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017' are prominently displayed in black. The website 'cobdenspringfestival.com.au' and phone number 'Ph: 0412 868 377' are listed below. The poster is divided into three sections for the days of the festival: Friday (5.30pm) with a Junior Fishing Competition; Saturday (9am-3pm) with various activities like street broadcasts, Brekky on the Street, and a street parade; and Sunday (10am-2pm) with a Fun Run and Walk, food market, and mini trains. At the bottom, it says '+ more for the whole family!' and includes logos for CopRice, Community, Dairy for All, LEGENDAIRY, ACE RADIO, and One & All.

**Cobden**  
SPRING FESTIVAL

13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
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|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Friday</b><br>5.30pm    | Junior Fishing Competition  |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>9am-3pm | Street broadcasts   Brekky on the Street<br>Unsung Heroes   Curdie Cow Crap<br>Street Parade   The Mik Meks<br>Buskers   Face painting   Orchid Show<br>Quilt Display   Jumping Castles           |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>10am-2pm  | Fun Run and Walk   Food and Market<br>Mini Trains   Mini Golf   Jumping Castle<br>Pet Parade   Dog Jump   Live Music<br>Motor Show   Dairy Park Demos<br>Mini Rally   Orchid Show   Quilt Display |

+ more for the whole family!

CopRice Community Dairy for All LEGENDAIRY ACE RADIO One & All