



COBDEN TECHNICAL SCHOOL

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<https://www.cobtech.vic.edu.au/>

Term 3 Week 10

September 2024

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 Teamwork - HEART

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School Council Parent/Student Representatives: Jemma Couch (President) Mardi Foster (Vice President)
Anita La Franchi Rebecca Armistead Fiona Dobbins Amanda Weel Lillyanna Mahoney

In the spirit of reconciliation, Cobden Technical School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of this country the Djargurd Wurrung and Kirrae Whurrung peoples of the Eastern Maar nation. We pay our deepest respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, the tradition, the culture and identity of the Indigenous peoples of Australia.

Principal’s Desk

Narelle Holliday – Acting Principal



As we wrap up Term 3, it's wonderful to reflect on the many exciting events that have taken place since our last newsletter. The Tech has been buzzing with activity!

Our food classes recently wrapped up catering for the Cobden Senior Citizen’s lunches for the year, where students catered for and connected with local seniors. This program has been a highlight, fostering intergenerational relationships and giving our students the opportunity to showcase their hospitality skills. It's been a true success, and we're proud of their positive contributions to the community.

Last week, we participated in **R U OK? Day**, with cohort-based activities promoting mental health awareness and the importance of checking in on one another. Students enjoyed a variety of games and events that reinforced the value of emotional well-being. It was a fantastic way to remind ourselves of the importance of looking out for each other.



As part of our review of the past four years, we’ve been gathering reflections from staff, students, and parents on the key milestones and activities. A big thank you to everyone who has already shared their feedback! If you haven't yet completed the parent survey, it’s still open until the end of September. Your input is invaluable as we plan for the future.

[Click here to complete the survey](#) Cobden Technical School pin: 447996

Looking ahead to Term 4, we have exciting events on the horizon, including the Year 9 and 10 Central Australia trip and, of course, final exams for our Year 12 VCE students. As we approach the busy exam period, I encourage students to keep up with their revision and seek support from their teachers. It's never too late to ask for help, and your teachers are here to support you every step of the way.

On a creative note, our new **music program** has been off to a fantastic start! Students have embraced this opportunity to explore their musical talents while developing important collaboration and self-expression skills. We can't wait to see and hear their progress.

As we head into the holidays, I encourage everyone to take some time to relax, recharge, and do something you love. Enjoy your break, and we look forward to seeing you all back for Term 4.



Assistant Principal Report

Sarah Cook – Assistant Principal

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

Last week we were presented with a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support Blue Award that we earned for our commitment to implementing the essential features of a Tier 1 School-wide Positive Behaviour Support. This included refining the CTS Behaviour Matrix, aligning the Compass merit system with the expected behaviours as outlined on the Behaviour Matrix and implementing the systems across the school.

This year our positive data, staff surveys and hard work implementing key features will see us eligible for the Bronze Award. As you will be aware, we have focused on the reward system with certificates, canteen vouchers, lunches and our highly desired beanies. I would like to thank all of our staff for their work and look forward to continuing our focus to improve student outcomes. For parents, please check Compass and take the opportunity to discuss the merits 'green' entries on Compass that note the wonderful things they have been noticed for and address any Minor (yellow) or Major (red) posts so that you can support our work. If you have any questions about a specific post or the system we welcome you to contact the Junior Subschool Leader, Jen McLennan (7-9) and Senior Subschool Leader Jason Beveridge (10-12)

ASSEMBLY

Our next student ran assembly will be held Week 1, Tuesday 8 October at 9am where we will present our HEART awards for students recognised in Term 3 by staff, awards to students that received the most merits during Term 3 and also our next lot of beanie recipients will be awarded for each year level. We hope to see members of our CTS community attend as they are always welcome, and if you have any other ideas of how we can encourage further family participation we would love to hear from you.



UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

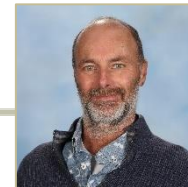
The holidays can be a good time to check your student supplies including pencil case and equipment, books and uniform. Students require a CTS bucket hat for Term 4 to ensure that we are SunSmart. Please make sure you find these and pop them in school bags ready for next term. We have some for purchase at the school office for \$12. As we move into the warmer weather students are reminded that our uniform items include black knee length shorts with no logo, the white polo (with or without logo) or the green sports polo are permitted or the CTS school dress. Shoes are to be covered in all black and a change of clothes for PE if necessary. As always if you require support with uniform please contact the school. A drink bottle should be brought to school each day and students are encouraged to bring it filled with water to class to ensure they remain hydrated and ready to learn.



I would like to wish you all a safe and restful break and make sure you refresh and recharge for the term ahead.

Senior Subschool Report

Jason Beveridge – Senior Subschool leader



The end of the year is approaching rapidly, our Unit 3 & 4 subjects are starting to finalise their study of new content, complete all assessment tasks and begin the journey of exam preparation. This is a stressful time of year for students undertaking exams and we remind students and families that we are here to help if they are feeling overwhelmed over the coming weeks. For those Year 12 students undertaking VCE VM, or completing other VCE subjects but going unscored, it is probable that they have just about completed all of the requirements to gain a satisfactory mark in their studies. Students who believe that they have done enough work to meet the requirements of their subjects can talk to Mr Beveridge about applying to finish school at the end of Term 3. Students should also be sure that they have completed any applications for further study in 2025 and should see Mr Beveridge if they need help

We will celebrate our Year 12's success and recognise their hard work with a special assembly and a social event on Friday 25th October (Week 3). We request that all Year 12 students and families save the date and join us on this day to mark the completion of their secondary school studies. More information will be provided Week 1 of Term 4.

Special dates to remember for next term:

Week 7 Upgrade Week

Valedictory Dinner (Thurs 21/11)

Week 8 Careers Week

Melbourne Visit

Last day for Year 11's (Thurs 28/11)

Week 9 Year 10 Work Experience

Last Day for Year 10's (Fri 6/12)

Week 11 Presentation Afternoon (Wed 18/12)

Year 10 and 11 students are reminded that they need to return their blocking sheets before the end of the term. Anyone with concerns should see Mr Beveridge.

We wish our students sitting exams this year all the best. Our first exam will be Tuesday, 29th October.



Careers

Jason Beveridge – Careers Coordinator



On Thursday, 29th August our Year 7 students spent a day exploring careers with a focus on Maths and Science careers. We visited the Maths@Work Expo, hosted by Terang College in 2024, and were involved in a series of interactive presentations delivered by local businesses. These engaging presentations were designed to provide students with an insight in to the type of work involved in different occupations and the conversations between students and presenters demonstrated the range of potential pathways in future employment that are available. Students had a great day, represented the school well and all felt they had learnt something.



Year 7 and 8 students have completed their Career Action Plans. These plans are designed to help students to start to think about their futures; encouraging them to identify their strengths, to recognise where they can get advice, to develop goals and to highlight anything they can do to help them attain these goals.

Year 12 students have been working through any applications that they need to do in order to continue with further study in 2025. Students have completed VTAC applications where applicable and any relevant SEAS applications. Students are reminded that they can utilise Mr Beveridge to assist in applications for further study, job applications, or in preparing themselves for employment.

Year 10 students are reminded that they will do Work Experience in Term 4 (Dec 2-6). They should start to organise their placements over the school holidays. Students planning to study VCE VM should be starting to organise their weekly work placements for 2025.

Junior Subschool

Jen McLennan – Junior Subschool leader



As we wrap up a long and busy term, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to making it a successful period. It was wonderful to see so many parents and teachers come together at the recent Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences. Your engagement and support are greatly appreciated.

We are also thrilled to observe our students coming to school prepared and eager to learn, with their equipment and uniforms in top condition. This dedication plays a key role in their academic success and overall school experience.

Year 7 students are approaching the end of their first year of secondary school, and we are excited to welcome the new cohort of students who will join us soon. It's been a pleasure to watch their growth and development over the year.

As we head into the holiday break, please remember that summer uniforms will be required upon our return.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable holiday break!

Year 7 NGV Pharaoh Exhibition

This week our Year 7 students enjoyed a successful visit to Melbourne, where they explored the NGV Pharaoh Exhibition and the ACMI Exhibition. This excursion was an enriching experience that will greatly support our Ancient Egypt History unit in Term 4.

The exposure to these fascinating exhibits provided students with valuable insights and a deeper understanding of the historical context they will be studying. We are confident that this hands-on experience will enhance their learning and engagement in the upcoming term.



Come & Try Day

We recently had the pleasure of hosting our "Come and Try" day, where we welcomed Year 5 students from Elliminyt, Simpson, and Cobden Primary Schools. It was a fantastic event that showcased our commitment to providing engaging and educational experiences.

A special thanks to Luke Perriss for leading an insightful science session on light, and to Brett Taylor and Pat Wallace for their hands-on woodwork session, where students crafted their own noughts and crosses game boards. The enthusiasm and positive feedback from both staff and students were truly encouraging.

We look forward to hosting more "Come and Try" days in the future and continuing to foster relationships with the primary schools in our region.



Daffodil Day Thank You 🌼

On Friday, 23rd August Cobden Technical School celebrated Daffodil Day to raise awareness for cancer and cancer research. It was great to see so many people adding some colour to the uniforms with a touch of yellow. Everyone also was provided with Lemon Slice and Banana Bread freshly made in the kitchen, by us. Thank you to Mrs McLennan for allowing us to use the cooking room and supplying the ingredients and thank you to Belinda for supplying the gorgeous daffodils that were handed out to students on the day.

The school raised \$216 that will go towards helping find a cure and treatments for cancer. Thank you to all the staff and students who made contributions.

~Bailey and Cait



Sports Report

Belinda Savage – Sports Co-ordinator



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 10th October Greater Western Region Athletics (Ballarat)
Monday 21st October School Sport Victoria State Athletics (Melbourne)
Monday 28th October South West Clay Target Shoot (Lake Gillear) (Yr 7 – 10)

SOUTH WEST ZONE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS (NOORAT)

Well done to our ten students who attended at the South West Clay Target Shooting Championships at Noorat. The students were also fortunate enough to meet Paris Olympian Clay Target Shooter - Bronze Medallist Penny Smith, which was very motivating and great to hear about her experience at the Olympics. Penny Smith won the South West Zone Clay Target Shoot at Noorat in 2011 so it was a great reminder to all, to continue practising and following your dreams.



Lenny Dobbins score of 12/20 was a commendable achievement. It was also great to see some of our Year 8 and 9 students eagerly participating in their first competition shoot and being challenged by the windy conditions.

GREATER WESTERN REGION ATHLETICS (BALLARAT)

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified to compete at the Greater Western Region Athletics in Ballarat on Thursday 10th October: -

Jayden Gass (U18-20 Male) – Long Jump and Shot Put
Rhys Sargood (U14 Male) – 100m, 200m, High Jump, Triple Jump and Javelin
Harry Roberts (U13 Male) – 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Triple Jump and Discus
Xander Weel (U14 Male) – 1500m
Korie Hester-Emery (U16 Male) – Discus
Riley Beames (U15 Male) – 800m and 1500m
Marcus Ovens-Baird (U15 Male) – Javelin
Brodey Muller DeVent (U17 Male) – Long Jump

If you would like to train for any of the events prior to the competition, please speak to Mr Simmonds or Belinda Savage to arrange a lunch time training.

SEPTEMBER FINALS (Football/Netball/Hockey)

Congratulations to our Wellbeing Co-ordinator Liv Williams, coach of the U13 Girls Netball team for the Timboon Demons. Liv deserves high praise for leading her team to a triumphant win in the District League Grand Final at Warrnambool, showcasing her exceptional leadership and coaching skills. Well done, Liv.



Credit to all our students who firstly played winter sports and then may have made it to the finals in their chosen sport. Getting to finals is a testament to your many hours spent training and perseverance over the winter months. Well done.

Wellbeing

Liv Williams (Wellbeing Coordinator)



It's been a busy few weeks as we approach the end of Term 3! Last Thursday, we celebrated R U OK Day, where the Breakfast Club was a little more exciting than usual, offering delicious ham and cheese toasties and hot chocolate! At lunchtime, we had a series of fun activities run by Mel, which added to the positive energy of the day. It was fantastic to see students dressed in whatever made them feel most comfortable.

Our music therapy program has been a highlight over the past few weeks, with selected students thriving under the guidance of Liam Barling. Not only are they learning musical skills, but they're also exploring mental health strategies in a creative and supportive environment. Liam's approach has been nothing short of fantastic, and the students are really benefiting from his expertise. His sessions have been a big hit with everyone involved.



We were also fortunate to have Constable John Keats and Brooke Pollock visit to speak with our Year 7s and 8s about *Online Cyber Safety*. The students were engaged and it was encouraging to see that they are absorbing the key messages we've been teaching about staying safe online. We always remind students that while the online space has its benefits, if any issues arise, an adult is always available to listen and provide help.

A huge thank you goes out to all the parents and caregivers who continue to support our programs and the wellbeing of our students. It takes a community effort to make a difference, and together, we're definitely on the right track. Let's keep this positive momentum going as we head into the final school term for 2024!

About Embrace Magazine

Welcome to EMBRACE — a magazine with purpose!

We're on a mission to empower the next generation to celebrate the incredible things their bodies allow them to do instead of how they look. As parents ourselves, we know the joy (and challenges) of nurturing resilient, confident kids — we're right there with you.

EMBRACE magazine is our big hug to all the caregivers — the mums, dads, grandparents, aunts, uncles and role models. We come with no judgement or pressure to do more — just a vibrant collection of uplifting views and practical, science-backed advice on nurturing our children and embracing our own bodies.

Getting in early to build better body image means the potential to prevent lifelong concerns such as eating disorders, depression, and anxiety — leading to better health and wellbeing for our loved ones.

Led by Taryn Brumfitt, the 2023 Australian of the Year, and body image expert Dr Zali Yager, along with a diverse global team, we're committed to reaching one million Australian children annually with these life-changing messages.

Together, we're shaping a future where everyone can flourish.

All proceeds from the Embrace magazine go directly to The Embrace Collective, so we can keep empowering parents and young people alike to embrace their bodies, now and for generations to come.

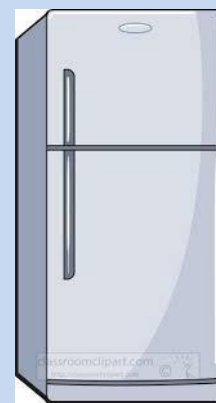
<https://theembracehub.com/embrace-magazine/>



TERM 3 2024		
WEEK 10	DATE	EVENT
Friday	20 September	➤ Last day of Term 3 – finish @ 2:25pm (wear footy colors)
TERM 4 2024		
WEEK 1	DATE	EVENT
Wednesday – Friday week	9 – 18 October	➤ Central Australia Trip
Thursday	10 October	➤ GWR Interschool Athletics
WEEK 2	DATE	EVENT
Monday	14 October	➤ Year 9 – Deakin University Future Me Day
Thursday	17 October	➤ Year 9 & 10 Corangamite Youth Leadership Summit
Friday	18 October	➤ HSSSD Junior & Intermediate Super 8 Cricket (Camperdown)
WEEK 3	DATE	EVENT
Monday	21 October	➤ SSV Track & Field Championships
Monday	21 October	➤ Safe Food Handling Short Course
Tuesday	22 October	➤ Year 9 – Deakin University Future Me day
Thursday	24 October	➤ Year 9 – Deakin University Future Me day
Friday	25 October	➤ Year 12 Final Assembly & Morning Tea
WEEK 4	DATE	EVENT
Monday	28 October	➤ South West Clay Target Shoot
Tuesday	29 October	➤ VCE Exams start
WEEK 5	DATE	EVENT
Monday	4 November	➤ Professional Development Day – STUDENT FREE DAY
Tuesday	5 November	➤ Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – STUDENT FREE DAY

FRIDGE WANTED

Our Science Wing is in need of a functioning full size fridge. If you have a spare fridge you would like to donate to CTS, please contact us on  5595 1202.



ROLLER DISCO

\$10
CASH & EFTPOS

CAMPERDOWN STADIUM
1 FULLER STREET

5+
MINIMUM AGE

LAST DAY OF TERM 3
FRI 20 SEPT
6PM - 8PM

SKATES & SAFETY GEAR PROVIDED

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Camperdown PA Society Show

BLUE JEANS COUNTRY DREAMS COMPETITION!

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

GET CREATIVE AND CRAFT A SHOW STOPPING SCARECROW USING ANYTHING RECYCLED TO SHOW CASE AT THIS YEARS SHOW!!

What: Use recycled or upcycled materials to construct your scarecrow. Think outside the box – bottles, cans, old clothes!

Size: Your scarecrow can be any size, but ensure it can stand or be displayed securely.

Judging Criteria: Creativity, use of recycled materials, overall appearance, and originality.

Bring your scarecrow to the show grounds on **Friday, October 11th, between 4pm and 7pm for judging.**

12 October 2024

Community Bank Cobden & Camperdown Camperdown Show

- Dachshund Dash
- Butterfly Enclosure
- Real Dinosaurs
- Make, Bake, Grow & Create Expo
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Wood Chop
- Motorcycle Show & Shine
- Dog Jump

Head to the Camperdown Show to enjoy live music, entertainment, savour delicious foods & so much more! Your family friendly & affordable community show awaits!

Saturday October 12th 9am-3pm

THEME: BLUE JEANS & COUNTRY DREAMS

JERSEY Australia | Brandt | SWAYN McCABE | BALLARAT GRAMMAR | THE DISCOUNT WORLD | CAMPERDOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL | CVC | Community Bank | Branson Ag

WARRNAMBOOL MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

Performances - Food - Market stalls - Aboriginal Art & Craft - Intercultural workshops - Dragon/Lion Dance - Free face painting

5 OCTOBER
10AM - 3PM

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Cobden & DISTRICT Tennis ASSOCIATION

THE COBDEN TENNIS ASSOCIATION IS ASKING FOR PLAYERS TO JOIN OUR UPCOMING JUNIOR AND SENIOR COMPETITIONS.

WHAT'S ON OFFER:

- SENIOR TENNIS 1PM SATURDAY AFTERNOONS (SOME FRIDAY NIGHT MATCHES)
- JUNIOR TENNIS
 - COMPETITION
 - C GRADE COACHING
 - HOT SHOTS

NEW SEASON

WE ARE LOOKING TO FORM A JUNIOR SUB COMMITTEE SO PLEASE REACH OUT IF THIS IS SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN. WE WILL HAVE A GET TOGETHER IN THE FIRST WEEK OF TERM 4.

WE WELCOME ALL PAST AND NEW PLAYERS INTERESTED IN PLAYING OR FILLING IN TO CONTACT SHARYN ON 0409 253 727 OR MICHELLE ON 0408 175 662 BY THE 30TH OF SEPTEMBER.

SEE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR DETAILS
@COBDEN TENNIS ASSOCIATION



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SOUTHWEST CRICKET

REPS FROM BOOKAAR & CAMPERDOWN

School Holidays

Thursday 26th Sept

10am - 12noon

FREE SKILLS SESSION & MINI MATCH MIXED U/13



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THE CORNER THERAPY HUB & 12 APOSTLES RETREAT PRESENT

On during the school holidays

Thursday 3rd October 2024

10 - 3pm

Friday 4th October 2024

10- 3pm

GIRL POWER INTENSE

For young people 12-14
who identify as female
Numbers limited

2 hours of hair and makeup skills each day with
Emmeline Beauty and Kelly Reynolds Hair.

Connect with other girls, learn and practice with each other and the experts.

Engage in 2 days of interactive activities including skin care, food and movement to make you glow, daily habits to make you thrive
and learn some skills around conflict resolution and strategies to help with anxiety.

A program that focuses on building identity and connection through
shared passions and strengths.

Numbers are strictly limited and you MUST be able to
attend both days.

Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CVLTP>

The Corner Therapy Hub
218 Manifold St
Camperdown



2024 - 2025 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

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ALL ABILITIES

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- long jump
- high jump
- hurdles
- triple jump
- long distance runs
- sprints
- discus
- shot put
- javelin
- optional training Monday nights



WHEN: FRIDAY NIGHTS FROM 4:15PM
11TH OCTOBER - 28TH FEBRUARY

WHERE: CNR FREDRICK ST & FULLER ST
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Mini: Primary School / Individual entries only

Junior: Secondary School / Individual or Team Entries

Senior: Open / Individual or Team Entries

To register Facebook message our Nirranda & District Netball Association Inc or contact Samantha on 0400 734 679 with:

Player's name –

School Year level/ Playing group –

Enquiries Via our Facebook page

Entries close – 25th September 2024

\$25 Fee for whole season = no extra charges

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VICTORIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT
OPEN DAY 2024
WEDNESDAY, 2 OCT
10:00AM - 2:00PM
LAKESIDE STADIUM,
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Rub shoulders with Australia's 2024 Olympic and Paralympic heroes