



NEWSLETTER

Cobar High School

5th June 2014

Term 2

HSC Enrichment Seminars

Dubbo

5th & 6th June

Queens Birthday Holiday

Monday 9th June

Athletics Carnival

Ward Oval

Friday 13th June

Term 2 ends

Friday 27th June

Term 3

Staff Return 14th July

Students Return 15th July

Parent Teacher Interview

Wednesday 23rd July

5pm-7pm

Year 12 Trial Exams

28th July - 1st August

Careers Expo

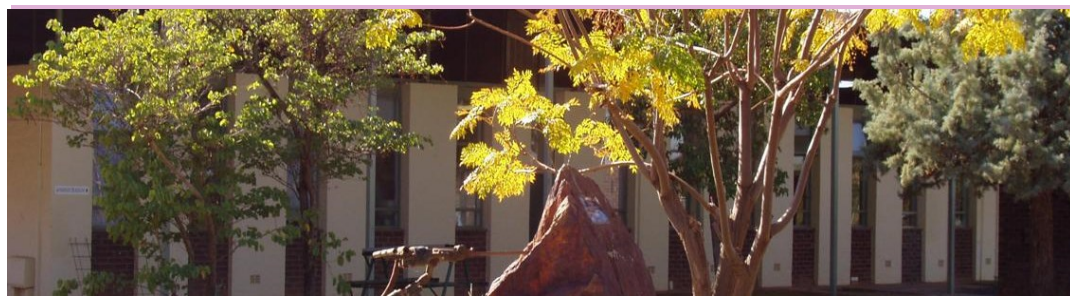
12th August

**Positive
Behaviour
for Learning**

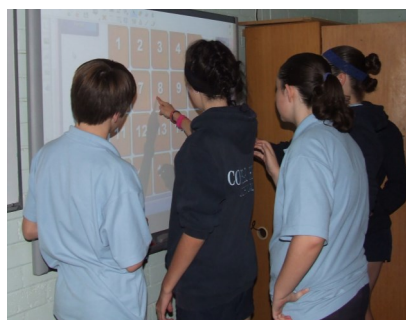
Respect.

Excellence.

Safety



Where There's a Will There's a Way



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Homework Centre

Homework Centre is now available Wednesday and Thursday afternoons in the Library from 3:30pm-5pm thanks to the sponsorship of CSA Mine Glencore. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to complete work and get that little bit of extra help. I encourage all students to make use of this.

Schools Spectacular

Unfortunately our audition for Schools Spectacular was not successful this year.

Athletics Carnival

Our Athletics Carnival is on Friday 13th June at Ward Oval. All students are expected to attend and participate. Parents are welcome to come and spectate.

Student Behavior at Bus Stops

I have been contacted by a member of the public concerning some student behavior at bus stops. While it is recognised that the majority of students do the right thing, there is a minority that do not. Please discuss with your student the importance of waiting patiently on the footpath at the bus stop. Students should not enter private property at any time.

Sydney Symphony Orchestra

Thanks to Ms Elliott for all her organisation for the orchestra to perform at Cobar High. It was a great opportunity for our students.

Long Service Leave

Ms McMurtrie will be on Long Service Leave from 6th June to the end of term. Ms Locke will be Relieving Head Teacher during this time. Mr Finn, who will be replacing Mrs Baker from next term, has agreed to start on the 10th June.

Citizenship Awards

Our current Citizenship Award shields are full. If you would be interested in sponsoring the male and female awards, and have your name or organisation on the shield, please contact the school on 02 6836 2705.

Secondary Principals' Council

Next week I will be attending the State Secondary Principals' Conference in Bathurst. Mr Carter will be Relieving Principal during this time.

Positive Reports for Cobar High

We have been receiving many positive reports regarding Cobar High. The Education Director for the Sydney Symphony Orchestra commented on our students. The implementation of PBL has received recognition as being exemplary, with other schools being told to look how at how we do it. Our school planning, associated structures and implementation have also received commendation.

Sue Francisco

Executive Staff:

Principal: Sue Francisco
Deputy Principal: Shane Carter
Head Teacher English: Carolyn McMurtrie
Head Teacher Maths/PDHPE: Amie Jacklin (Rlg)
Head Teacher Science/TAS: Andrew Watts
Head Teacher HSIE: John Carswell
Head Teacher Teaching & Learning: Peter Luck
School Admin Manager: Merryn McIntyre

Year Advisers 2014

Year 6: Lena Dean
Year 7: Doug Armstrong
Year 8: Andrew Coffey
Year 9: Cassandra Locke
Year 10: Daniel Inkley
Year 11: Amber Rook
Year 12: Chris Marshall
SRC Co-Ordinator: Chris Marshall
Girls Adviser: Leanne Carswell

Maths/PE Dept

Should you ask people on the side of the road what the answer to 1 plus 1 is, you would probably receive a plethora of replies; 2, a window, etc. However, there is one sum we can be sure of; Maths + PE = fun.

This term the Maths/PE staffroom has maintained its title of “the place to be”, with students still coming from all over the playground to talk to its’ inhabitants. Each day, our students are taught the quality of mathematics and physical development, and the advantages of such areas in the workforce.

From a PE perspective, sexual education has been the topic of late, with many a year 7 student seen running around giggling, after the submission of their “Dolly Doctor” assignments. Sexual education has remained a prevalent issue in Australian society for decades now, so educating the leaders of tomorrow on such issues is of vital significance.

Year 8 & 9 have also undertaken some important learning in their PE lessons, with tasks on alcohol consumption statistics taking up their time. These comprehension tasks have involved the students reading statistics, and writing appropriate reports.



In the mathematics classroom, measurement and geometry have been the order of the term. Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 have all been completing tasks on area, surface area, similarity and congruence. Our younger students have been working on construction, as well as rates and ratios. All topics which will be helpful for future employment prospects.

Furthermore, the mathematics competition is fast approaching, and all students required to, or hoping to, participate, should get their money in by the 18th of June.



**PBL PURPLE
EXCELLENCE DAY**

Sydney Symphony Orchestra entertains students



On Thursday 29th May, we were lucky enough to have hosted a performance given to us by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. The conductor took us on a musical journey, introducing all of the different instrument families, and getting the students involved in clapping, singing and even some conducting. Students from Cobar Public and St John's came along for the ride, as well as a few travellers from Bourke High School. After the performance, members of the orchestra joined us for a BBQ provided by the SRC. Students enjoyed mingling with the musicians, it was a perfect opportunity for our students to ask some questions and learn a little more about the orchestra's journey touring out west. After lunch, with some time to spare, a few of the musicians decided to revert back to their schooling days and head to class. They chose P.E., and a friendly (but covertly heated) soccer match ensued. The day was a great success, and it was marvellous for the students and teachers of Cobar to experience a music performance of such high calibre being presented in our very own school. I look forward to our next creative venture!

Tobiah Elliott



POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS

supporting school age students on the autism spectrum

FREE two day workshop and information sessions
for PARENTS/CAREERS of school age students on
the autism spectrum

VENUE: DUBBO RSL CLUB

WHEN: Two day workshop

Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th June 2014

Online registrations preferred: please go to the
website www.positivepartnerships.com.au

If you **do not** have access to the internet please
contact Mrs Carswell for forms.

UNIFORMS

With the weather becoming cooler, students are
starting to wear their school hoodies or jumpers.
Please take the time to put your students name
inside.

During the coming season we have a lot of clothing
that makes its way to the Lost Property Bin and very
little is clearly labelled so we cannot return it to its
owner.

AECG Meeting

Wednesday 6th August

1:00pm

Cobar Public School

All Welcome



SCHOOL DISCO

NRL THEME

Wednesday 18th June

6:30pm - 9:30pm

School PWS

Logos: SYDNEY ROOSTERS, NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS, GOLD COAST TITANS, SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITCHES, BRONCOS, BULLDOGS

EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS 2014

Each year our students are offered the opportunity to participate in external competitions run by the University of NSW, The Australian Geographical Society and the History Teachers Association of Australia. These competitions provide our students with valuable experience of testing procedures outside our school environment. Dates for 2014 entry fees and competition dates 2014 entry fees and competition dates are:

Subject	Entries and Payment to CHS close	Test Date	Entry Fee
Writing	Closed	Mon 16 June (Term 2)	\$18.70
Spelling (Year 7 only)	Closed	Tues 17 June (Term 2)	\$12.10
English	Thur 19 June 2014 (Term 2)	Tues 29 July (Term 3)	\$8.80
Mathematics	Thur 19 June 2014 (Term 2)	Tues 12 August (Term 3)	\$8.80

Payment must be received by the due dates, or if you prefer, several/all entries may be paid in advance. It would be appreciated if correct money (cash or cheque) could be brought to the Administration Office as we do not carry change.

All students are invited to participate in any/all of the competitions. If your student is not in a Select Class, information and return slips may be obtained from Year Advisers or the Front Office.

We wish your student well in the competitions and thank you for supporting your child's learning.

**Cobar High School
P & C
Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 5th August
7pm**

School Library

All Welcome

***PBL
Vision Statement***

***“Cobar High School strives for
excellence in a
safe and respectful
environment”.***

**Assessment Schedules
Week 7**

Year 9: Mathematics
Elective History

Year 10: Elective History

Year 11: Ancient History

Year 12: Photography

**Assessment Schedules
Week 8**

Year 10: Mathematics

Year 11: Biology

Year 12: Business Studies
Music
Legal Studies
Community & Family Studies

What's On - Week 7 & 8, Term 2

Monday 9th June: Queen's Birthday Holiday

Tuesday 10th June: SPC State Conference; Bathurst: S Francisco

Wednesday 11th June: SPC State Conference; Bathurst S Francisco

Thursday 12th June: SPC State Conference; Bathurst: S Francisco
DP State Congress Sydney: S Carter
Professional Learning: A Motton

Friday 13th June: DP State Congress; Sydney: S Carter
Athletics Carnival
Professional Learning: A Motton

Tuesday 17th June: Spelling Competition

Wednesday 18th June: Writing Competition
Disco 6:30pm-9:30pm