



# COBAR HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE IS A WAY

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# A message from the principal

SHANE CARTER



Term 1 2024 has come and gone (albeit 1 day to go) and it's hard to believe how quickly these 10 weeks have passed. The school has been a buzz of activity with many sporting excursions (including the swimming carnival and several state knockout competitions), extra-curricular activities (white card, NAPLAN, Careers Expo), staff professional learning and student wellbeing events (BATYR, Fit for Life) taking place. On top of this we have had several staff changes and still managed to run to schedule which can only be attributed to great work by all involved – so well done everyone!

Yesterday, the Minister for Education, Prue Car and Department of Education Secretary, Murat Dizdar announced several cuts to school budgets. Whilst some timelines are yet to be confirmed, I can inform our school community that this will impact our current organisations. Our number one priority will remain to provide the best possible learning opportunities for our students. I will state with confidence that we will maintain our teaching staff moving forward, however as time progresses, decisions will need to be made on intervention programs and initiatives that we currently provide. Also funding for planned infrastructure projects have been frozen with no indication of a review date. We will communicate further as more information comes to light.

Regardless of funding we will continue to promote and advocate to improve student outcomes, which as I have stated many times before, begins with student attendance. I can report that at the time of writing this report, our overall attendance rate is comparable with Term 1 last year. Whilst not quite the result we were hoping, there are some pleasing improvements such as an increase in the number of students attending greater than 90%. Let us continue to work together next term to improve this statistic.

I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday. Please take the time to unwind and recharge your batteries. We look forward to seeing all students ready to learn on Tuesday 30th April. Take care!

Shane Carter – Principal.

# Winner



On Wednesday 3rd April Cobar High Schools Open Girls soccer team played a game against Bourke High School. The girls played an awesome game, with the half time score being 5-0 Cobar's way. As the girls kept the game going strong, they finished with a score of 11 - 1!!

Well done girls, was an amazing game to watch and a lot of fun was had by all involved.

# Well Done!

# Open boys and girls touch football.



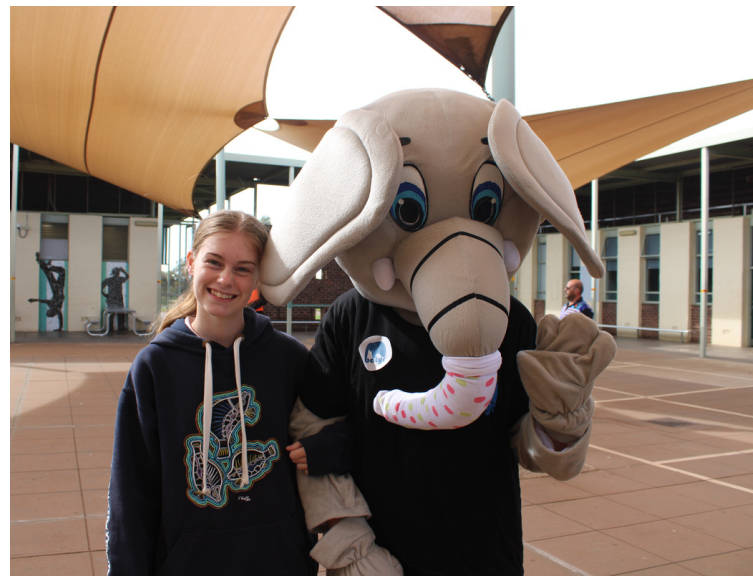
On Thursday the 28th March our open boys and girls touch football teams competed in Mudgee at the Western School Sports Association carnival. Both teams started the day well with the boys getting a win against Kandos High School and the girls drawing with Dunedoo Central School. Unfortunately, despite both teams playing some great touch football their other opponents were too strong for them. All students are to be commended on their effort and were positive representatives of Cobar High School.





Last week the Sydney Batyr Team were at CHS to provide the annual programs to years 9 through to year 12. These programs bring awareness to positive Mental Health & ways we can seek help when/ if we need it. We thank Sydney Batyr for delivering such engaging programs for our students!

On the Thursday we celebrated having the CHS Batyr Chapter and Sydney Batyr team being apart of our school with selling ice creams & ice blocks to the school community!



**Give a voice to the elephant in the room.**



# *Upcoming Events for Cobar High School*

APR  
**12**

*Last Day  
of Term 1*

APR  
**30**

*Students return for  
Term 2*

APR  
**30**

*Stage 4 Camp -  
Leave*

MAY  
**03**

*Stage 4 Camp -  
Returns*

MAY  
**03**

*2024 Cobar Show*

MAY  
**04**

*2024 Cobar Show*

MAY  
**07**

*Term 1 Awards  
Assembly and SRC  
Induction*

MAY  
**27**

*Athletics Carnival*

MAY  
**31**

*Mid - term Break*



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

We hope you have a great break  
and we will see you fresh and  
ready for Term 2!

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All students return - Tuesday 30th  
April 2024.

