Term 4

Mid Term Break
Friday 7th November
Monday 10th November

Year 12 Farewell Dinner
Wednesday 12th November
Cobar Bowling & Golf Club

Year 7 2015
Parent Information Evening
School PWS
Wednesday 19th November
6-7pm

PBL Rainbow Rewards Day
Wednesday 10th December

Year 9
Canberra Excursion
1st-5th December

Presentation Day
School MPC
Monday 15th December
2pm

2014 School Year Finishes on
Wednesday 17th December
Term 4
Welcome back to all after what I hope was a relaxing holiday. Yet another busy few months lay ahead with plenty of work and fun to be had. Currently our Year 12 students are sitting their Higher School Certificate Examinations. Whilst we wish them well, the best way for us as a school to support them now is to ensure that we are quiet when examinations are on and to stay away from the MPC.
Year 11 students have now commenced their HSC courses. I urge and challenge them all to make an honest attempt. This includes attending all classes, completing and submitting all set tasks to the best of their ability. For success your efforts must start now and continue for the remainder of the course. Students in Years 7-10 also must remain vigilant towards their studies. A large number of students are in jeopardy of not progressing to the next year level because of lack of application or failure to submit set work (including classwork).

Student Representative Council
Congratulations to both the incoming and outgoing members of the Cobar High SRC. Student voice is and will remain an integral component of our makeup as a school. Our SRC is held in high regard across the region and under the fine guidance of Coordinator Chris Marshall, can continue to make a positive influence on our great school. Well done!

Year 7 NAPLAN Spelling
Congratulations to our Year 7 students. 80.6% of students achieved greater than expected growth in Spelling. Students at Cobar High achieved an Average Scaled Score Growth of 64.3 which is 19 greater than the Average Scaled Score Growth for all students in NSW and 19.3 Average Scaled Score Growth greater than NSW DEC students. This is a fantastic result.

Lateness to School
It is essential that all students arrive at school on time. Not only is this a legal requirement it is also a skill/habit that will be of major benefit in ones working life. How many employers allow their employees to be regularly late for work? Apart from this, student learning time is greatly diminished. Just 5 minutes late per day equates to over 3 full days absence from school per year!

Staff Training
I would like to acknowledge the great work that staff do at our school that most probably goes unnoticed. Apart from their day-to-day duties, staff do many hours of training, involving many hours or days away from home/family, to ensure that they are both current in their qualifications and to maintain equality between our students and students in larger centres. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Shane Carter    (Relieving Principal)
The Bell Shakespeare Experience

On Friday 10th October we were extremely fortunate to have the Bell Shakespeare Company come and perform for all students from Years 7-11. The ‘Actors at Work’ performance titled, ‘Such Sweet Sorrow’, was a modified version of Shakespeare’s play ‘Romeo and Juliet’. This performance allowed students to engage in the language, characters and themes within this classic and complemented the work that Year 9 & 10 students completed last term with their close study of a Shakespearean play. The performance was a positive experience for all the students and staff who found it accessible as well as riveting.

COBAR LITTLE ATHLETICS

REGISTRATION DATES
Third and final registration day
Sunday 19th October, 2014 10am-12noon
Cobar Bowling and Golf Club
Alcove room
COST
Tots-U6-$60
U7-U17-$80
First night of competition-Monday 20th October, 5:30pm
At Ward Oval. No registrations will be taken after this date.
Please bring a hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS-U7-U17
29th and 30th November.
Dubbo-Barden Park-NEW SYNTHETIC TRACK-
Just like the OLYMPIC TRACK!
Nominations due: BY MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER

Helen Polack
Record / Relieving Secretary
Cobar Little Athletics
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HSC-university pathways
Talented students can begin their university studies while still at school. They can study by distance with the option of a weekend residential, or attend university on campus for an early experience of the university environment.
Find out about the courses on offer: www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus_hsc/pathways.htm

Career options
Is your child trying to decide on a career pathway? These videos show 25 young apprentices and trainees telling inspirational stories while on the job.
Find out more: http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL78g8-WmiFKvFriePCB5CalbSAJCX7MAh&feature=plcp

A degree at TAFE
If your child has decided to embark on a degree course at TAFE in 2013, remember their application needs to be in by October 26.
Go to the application: http://www.highered.tafensw.edu.au/applying-and-fees/how-to-apply.html#.UHJaLK5Nt8E
**What’s On - Weeks 3 & 4, Term 4**

**Wednesday 22nd October:** Year 6 Transition / Periods 5 & 6
**Thursday 23rd October:** Western NSW SPC Meeting; Dubbo: S Carter
**Friday 24th October:** Western NSW SPC Meeting; Dubbo: S Carter
**Thursday 30th October:** DP Conference; Coolah: S Carter, J Carswell
**Maths Virtual Faculty Training; Bourke: M Klopper, B Ford**
**Friday 31st October:** Maths Virtual Faculty Training; Bourke: M Klopper, B Ford
**Growth Coaching; Dubbo: S Carter, J Carswell, B Jacobson**

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**Assessment Schedules**

**Week 3**

Year 7: Science-Yearly Exam  
Visual Arts

Year 8: French-Listening Task  
Science-Yearly Exam

Year 9: Photographic & Digital Media  
Visual Arts

Year 10: Mathematics  
Photographic & Digital Media  
Visual Arts

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**Assessment Schedules**

**Week 4**

Year 7: English  
Music

Year 8: English  
Music

Year 9: Science-Yearly Exam  
Mathematics

Year 10: Science-Yearly Exam

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**Public Meeting to discuss and plan 2014 Carols by Candlelight**

Wednesday 5th November at 7pm  
in the Uniting Church Hall

All welcome

Cobar Combined Churches

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