

ATTENDANCE = ACHIEVEMENT



MORE DAYS
at school



MORE LEARNING
every day



BETTER OUTCOMES
brighter futures

EVERY DAY MATTERS!



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WORKING TOGETHER
FOR SUCCESS

Parent/Whānau Info Event

CHANGES TO REPORTING & ASSESSMENT IN 2026

WHAT'S NEW?

WHAT'S CHANGED
IN YOUR CHILD'S REPORT?



Date: Wednesday, 17 June
Time: 3.30 – 4.00pm
Location: School Library

Find out about:



New language –
Progress Descriptors



Visuals showing
progress over time



What this means for
you and your tamariki



All whānau welcome!
Short, friendly session
+ time for questions.

YOUR CHILD.
YOUR SCHOOL.
OUR FUTURE.



These reporting changes are part of
nationwide updates across NZ schools.



**COBDEN
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Te kura o Cobden

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NEWSLETTER

12th June 2026

Caring, Co operation, Communication
Manaakitanga, Mahi Ngatahi, Korero Mai



A community of learners where wellbeing, relationships, and joyful learning empower ākonga to be confident, engaged, creative, and caring critical thinkers.

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A word from the Principal...

Kia ora whānau,

The end of term is fast approaching, and there is still plenty happening at Cobden School.

Student reports will be sent home soon, and our Three-Way Learning Conferences will take place during the final week of term. These conferences are an important opportunity for students, whānau, and teachers to come together to celebrate learning, discuss progress, and set goals for the future.

As our students are at the centre of their learning journey, we expect them to attend these conferences alongside their whānau. Their voice is an important part of the conversation, and we encourage them to share their achievements, challenges, and next steps.

We are also continuing to see a number of winter bugs circulating in our community. If your child is unwell, please keep them at home and notify the school of their absence using Skool Loop. Including the reason for the absence helps us ensure attendance is coded appropriately and allows us to monitor illness trends across the school.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we work together to make the most of the final weeks of term.

Ngā mihi nui,
Noula Markham
Principal



Important Dates 2026 - Also on the Skool Loop Calendar tab

Wednesday 17th June
Thursday 18th June
Friday 19th June
Friday 19th June

Thursday 25th June
Friday 26th June
Tuesday 30th June
Wednesday 1st July
Thursday 2nd July
Thursday 2nd July
Friday 3rd July

Friday 3rd July
Term 3:
Monday 20th July
Monday 20th July
Thursday 23rd July
Tuesday 28th July
Thursday 30th July
Friday 31st July
Thursday 6th August
Friday 7th August

Thursday 13th August
Tuesday 18th August
Thursday 20th August
Friday 21st August
Thursday 27th August
Friday 28th August
Thursday 3rd September
Friday 4th September

Thursday 10th September
Tuesday 15th September
Wednesday 16th September
Thursday 17th September
Friday 18th September

Thursday 24th September
Friday 25th September

"Whanau Assessment and Reporting Hui" 3.30pm Library.
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Harold - Life Education - Gold Coin Mufti Day - Wear Yellow
Assembly 12pm in the Hall. Led by Kowhai 1. \$2 Sausage Sizzle.
Whanau can bring their lunch to eat with students after Assembly.
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Cobden School Mid Year reports sent home
Three-Way Learning Conferences - **Early Closure at 2pm. Bookings Open.**
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Three-Way Learning Conferences normal 3pm closure. Bookings Open.
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Assembly 12pm in the Hall. Led by Mokomoko 2. \$2 Sausage Sizzle.
Whanau can bring their lunch to eat with students after Assembly.
Last Day - End of Term 2

First Day - Term 3
Year 5/6 Basketball starts today, every Monday until 21st September
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Cobden School Board Meeting - 5.30pm Staffroom
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Red Nose Day - Gold Coin Mufti Day - For Cure Kids
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
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Teacher Only Day - School is Closed.
Kowhai 3 - Year 7&8 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Daffodil Day - Gold Coin Mufti Day - Greymouth Cancer Society
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PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Caring, Co-operation, Communication

This terms focus:

"Mahi Ngātahi - Following instructions"

Values Card Winners:

Term 2 2026 Week 6 Sadie P, Missy, Roman & Kaiyah
Week 7 Kora, Samantha & Reign



We are pleased to see an encouraging positive trend in our pastoral data. Most behaviours recorded continue to be minor and provide valuable opportunities for learning and growth. It is encouraging to see students developing their skills in following instructions and working cooperatively with others, helping to create a positive learning environment for everyone.

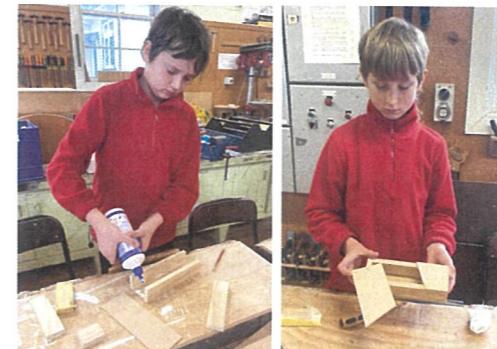
CSIA (Cobden School In Action) Thank you for your support!

EOTC Sausage Sizzle last week - We raised \$131.10

We will continue to have \$2 Sausage sizzles following Assembly for the rest of Term 2.

West Coast Cross Country at Kumara -

Dean, Leroy, Tyler, Izaac, Kyrah, Oscar & Amiyah represented Cobden School at the West Coast Cross Country in Kumara last week. Congratulations to Dean, who has qualified to go through to the Canterbury Cross Country next week in Christchurch.



Kowhai have been making wooden pencil cases at JP2 Technology

Mokomoko Science - Mokomoko has been investigating water for their science unit. Making predictions and observations for how long it takes to freeze water. Other investigations include looking at a rain gauge and how quickly ice melts.

Financial Thinking - Ice Blocks for school dollars from the tech room!



Principal's Star Award



Congratulations to **Kora & Erika** Principal Star Award winners at Assembly last week. They enjoyed lunch with the Principal this week.

