



10 April 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

2025 Term 1 Week 11 College Update

Term 2 Student Learner Conversations

The College acknowledges the primary role of parents and families in student learning and recognises them as valued partners in the learning process. The upcoming Student Learner Conversations are an opportunity for parents and families to engage with staff at the College to ensure the best for each individual student.

Student Learner Conversations take place on Monday 5 May from 2:00pm to 7:00pm (face-to-face in Caleruega Hall) and on Monday 12 May from 4:00pm to 6:00pm (via telephone to Parent/Caregiver Contact 1). **Students must be in attendance** and are expected to be involved in these conversations.

You would have received an email on Friday 28 March from **edval-noreply@tes.com** with your personalised web code for Edval Interviews. Please check your Junk Email folder if you did not receive this in your Inbox. Please note bookings close Thursday 1 May 9:00am.

Student Learner Conversations will focus on learning, and how your child can continue to grow and succeed in their subjects. The Student Learner Conversation is not a time to discuss, in detail, major learning difficulties – this may best be left for a separate occasion where there is more time available.

Note: Students will be dismissed at 1:00pm on Monday 5 May and at the usual dismissal time of 3:15pm on Monday 12 May. The Monica Farrelly Atrium will close at **4:00pm** on both days.

Winter Uniform

All students are expected to show pride in themselves and the College by meeting requirements related to uniform and presentation. Such self-respect is the first step towards mutual respect, something we value as one of our Cabra Principles for Working Together.

As Term 1 comes to a close and the weather becomes cooler, it is timely to remind students and parents that the Winter Uniform is to be worn from the start of Term 2. This includes the wearing of the blazer to and from school. I ask parents to support the College [Uniform and Personal Presentation Policy](#) by ensuring that students have the required uniform, and that it is worn neatly and correctly, as outlined in the [Cabra Handbook](#) (p. 17 – 18).

School Photography | Ordering Photographs

We are pleased to be partnering with [advancedlife](#) for our 2025 class, individual and sibling photos on Monday 12 May. Students are required to wear their formal winter uniform, including blazers, and bring their PE uniform to change into if relevant.

Ordering: The ordering method is **online**. Please follow these payment instructions:

1. Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the 9-digit ordering code: **7A7 485 BWK** and click **SUBMIT**.
2. Select **ORDER PHOTOS** from the menu to order this year's packages.
3. Enter the first student's details you wish to order for and click **PROCEED**.
4. Use the **SELECT** check box for the package(s) you wish to purchase.
5. List the quantity required and **ADD TO CART**. Note: If you enter incorrect student details, select **EDIT STUDENT DETAILS**.
6. If you only wish to order for one child, please proceed to **CHECKOUT**.
7. Check that the item in your cart is correct and click **CHECKOUT** to finalise your order or click **CONTINUE SHOPPING** to add an order for another student.
8. Check your order carefully, as refunds will not be given for incorrect choice.
9. Enter your payment details and click **PAY**. A 1.5% merchant fee is applicable for this service unless you pay via Latitude Pay.
10. A receipt for your payment and order will be sent to the email address provided.

Note: The online payment system works best using Google Chrome on a computer. If having trouble paying, please use this method.

Sibling Photos: Photos may be ordered online using the 9-digit code. **Online orders for sibling/family photos will be cut off at midnight on the day prior to photography.** Sibling photographs are only to include children enrolled at Cabra Dominican College.

Late Orders: All orders after the main day of photography must be made online. To order online you will need to enter the 9-digit ordering code. Orders can be made for up to a week after the main day of photography at regular pricing. After the week, all orders are closed, and the order will incur a reorder fee. This fee cannot be waived. **advancedlife** offers a 100% money back guarantee on their products to ensure peace of mind. Any questions or feedback about ordering school photos should go direct to **advancedlife** at advancedlife.com.au/contact

Mother's Day Community Morning

We are very pleased to invite all mothers and mother figures to join us for our Mother's Day Community Morning on Friday 9 May. Please see this [Invitation](#) for further details and click here to [RSVP](#) before Tuesday 6 May.

2025 Kawagoe Minami High School Visit

We are delighted to announce that our Japanese sister school study trip program is continuing in 2025, with students from Kawagoe Minami High School visiting Cabra from **Wednesday 23 July – Saturday 2 August**. We are asking Cabra Dominican College families to host our visiting Japanese students for the duration of their stay.

We have a long and very special relationship with Kawagoe Minami High School, with many wonderful friendships formed over the years between visiting students and host families from Cabra.

Families of Cabra students who are intending to visit Kawagoe next year or in future years are encouraged to host a student this year. This will enable our students to establish friendships and connections and develop a greater sense of intercultural awareness in preparation for a future visit to Kawagoe in Japan. Students who participated in the exchange last year are also encouraged to host. Naturally, some families may also wish to host a visiting student without committing to any future exchange or trip

Please find attached a [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document with further information, including a link to the required [Application Form](#) for interested families. Please note that all household members aged 18 years or older who live in the host family residence during the visit require a current Working with Children Check (free of cost).

To obtain a Working with Children Check, follow these steps:

1. Visit the SA Government WWCC [Website](#)
2. Click on *Apply for a Screening Check*
3. Click on the green *Start Now* button
4. When filling out the Application details for the Role Description, write *Hosting an overseas high school student*
5. Check the *Working with Children Check* box under the Screenings Required
6. The applicant type is *Volunteer*

If you are interested in hosting a student from Kawagoe Minami and participating in this exciting and wonderful opportunity, please complete the [Application Form](#) and submit as soon as possible.

If you have any queries, please contact:

- Carmen Stasic (Japanese Teacher) cstasic@cabra.catholic.edu.au
- Carey Murray (Japanese Teacher) cmurray@cabra.catholic.edu.au

Winter Sport Uniform Fittings

Please note that Winter Sport Uniform fittings are to be made via **appointment only**. Alternatively, parents can order online using the size guides. To view the current trading hours, book a fitting appointment or order uniform online, please click this link: [Cabra Dominican College | Noone](#)

Year 9 | The Rite Journey | Mentor Program.

Our Year 9 Rite Journey classes have been looking at the importance of adult mentors in young people's lives, reflecting on adults they admire and see as role models, in preparation to launch the Mentor Program.

In case you missed it, detailed correspondence regarding our Mentor Program was emailed to Year 9 families by Ms Kim Jones (Leader of Innovation – Middle Years) on Monday 31 March. Included in this correspondence was:

- [2025 Mentor Program - Parent/Caregiver Information Letter](#)
- [2025 Mentor Letter](#)
- An [invitation](#) for your child and child's chosen mentor to The Mentor Breakfast
- An [RSVP](#) to the breakfast (on behalf of your child's Mentor)

For any queries, please contact Ms Kim Jones via email kjones@cabra.catholic.edu.au

On the Horizon

Please see some general dates below for upcoming events. If we have not already, we will write to you with details of the below events if they affect your child.

Date	Event
Monday 28 April	Term 2 Commences
Friday 2 May – Sunday 4 May	Year 8 – 12 Generations in Jazz (Mt Gambier)
Friday 2 May	Year 7 Carly Ryan Foundation Presentation
Monday 5 May	Year 8 Level Up Education Program: Gaming
Monday 5 May	Year 10 Level Up Education Program: Gambling
Monday 5 May	Year 7 – 12 Student Learner Conversations (Caleruega Hall, 2:00 – 7:00pm) (Student Dismissal 1:00pm)
Wednesday 7 May – Friday 9 May	Stage 2 Drama Production (St Dominic's Hall)
Friday 9 May	Mother's Day Community Prayer and Breakfast (Chapel and Monica Farrelly Atrium, 7:45am)
Friday 9 May	Year 10 Career and Employment Expo (Adelaide Showground, 12:45 – 3:15pm)

The College Calendar is located on SEQTA Engage and the [College Website](#).

End of Term

It has been a busy term! I would like to acknowledge our teachers and staff for their exceptional work with our young people. Thank you also to the many parents and caregivers who supported and attended school events throughout the term, such as Sports Day and the Twilight Concert.

I encourage students to reflect on their approach to learning during the term break, in preparation for the upcoming Student Learner Conversations.

Please note that classes resume for students next term on Monday 28 April. We look forward to seeing all students refreshed and ready to continue their learning journey.

Easter

Easter is an opportune time within the beauty of the Church's liturgical cycle to reflect on the symbolism of the risen Christ. I pray that at this time you experience the life-giving energy that comes with renewed hope, faith and joy.

Please feel most welcome to contact us if you have any questions about this information or if you have any concerns about your child's progress.

Have a safe and relaxing term break.

Yours sincerely,

Jarrad McCabe

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