## PRE-UNI NEW COLLEGE

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### Give your Year 3 child the edge they need for next year's OC exam!

Our Term 3 courses are designed to prepare students for the high standards of the challenging OC exam. We go beyond academics, fostering a love of learning and equipping your child with the skills and strategies they need to thrive. Sharpen their skills in reading, writing, mathematical reasoning and critical thinking skills.

### **NEW\*** OC FOUNDATION COURSE (OCFC)

The OC placement tests are moving to an earlier date (2-4 May 2025) and will now be <u>computer-based test</u>. To help our Year 3 students prepare for this new test, a new OC Foundation Course (OCFC) will be introduced in Term 3. It will equip them with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the more challenging OC Trial Test Course (OCTTC) in Term 4. See details about the OCFC on Pages 3 to 5.

### Year 3 Term 3 Course

(Saturday, 20 July - Sunday, 29 September)

Course	Session	Class Time	Class Location*	
	Saturday MC	8:30am - 12:00pm	The McDonald College	
	Saturday AC	12:45pm - 4:15pm	The McDonald College	
Year 3	Sunday MC	9:00am - 12:30pm	8 Lyons Street, Strathfield	
Standard	Sunday AC	1:00pm - 4:30pm	8 Lyons Street, Strathfield	
WEMT	Sunday AC	1:00pm - 4:30pm	Live Zoom lesson	
	Tuesday	4:30pm - 8:00pm	Live Zoom lesson	
	Thu & Friday	4:30pm - 8:00pm	5 The Crescent, Strathfield	
	Saturday MC	9:00am - 12:10pm	The McDonald College	
NEW*	Saturday AC	1:00pm - 4:10pm	The McDonald College	
OC Foundation Course	Sunday MC	9:00am - 12:10pm	8 Lyons Street, Strathfield	
(OCFC)	Sunday AC	1:00pm - 4:10pm	8 Lyons Street, Strathfield	
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Thinking Chills	Saturday MC	10:00am - 12:10pm	5 The Crescent, Strathfield	
Thinking Skills Intermediate	Saturday AC	1:00pm - 3:10pm	5 The Crescent, Strathfield	
	Thursday	5:00pm - 7:10pm	8 Lyons St. Strathfield	
Writing	Wednesday	5:00pm - 7:50pm	5 The Crescent, Strathfield	

- Scholarship & Sibling Discounts are available until the Term 3 Early Bird Payment deadline date – Monday, 8th July 2024, 5 PM.
- **Enrolment**: To ensure focus and continuity of learning, students <u>cannot</u> switch courses or transfer to another branch until the course is completed.
- **Class location\*** may change depending on the number of enrolments.
- **NO Parking**: Please note that McDonald College, Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent) and Strathfield Centre (8 Lyons Street) do <u>not</u> provide parking for students or parents.



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### What's On

15 - 21 June

Term tests period

Saturday, 29 June, 5PM

Winter holiday course E/B discount offer ends.

Monday, 8 July, 5PM

Term 3 E/B, scholarship & sibling discount offer ends.

8 - 12 July

Winter EMT Course (5 days)

15 - 19 July

Winter Reading & TS Course (5 days)

Saturday, 20 July

Term 3 begins.

Saturday, 27 July

Term 2 book review competition ends.

Sunday, 29 September

Term 3 ends.

## Maximise your learning with Cyberschool services.

Log in to <u>Cyberschool</u> and access its WEMT resources:

- Module answers
- · Video lessons
- SOQ, TS/MR, S-Maths
- Vocabulary tests
- Term test review
- My Results

### **Year 3 WEMT Course**

Year 3 WEMT course is back and better than ever, with an updated curriculum designed to help you ace the 2025 OC placement tests!

- **Strong foundation for the OC exam:** Focus on key areas in reading comprehension, mathematical reasoning and critical thinking.
- **Effective writing strategies:** Learn how to structure and organise your writing persuasively.
- Mastering reading comprehension: Develop techniques to tackle challenging texts and ace multiplechoice questions with confidence.
- **Mathematics made easy:** Gain a solid understanding of mathematical concepts, formulas, and problem-solving techniques.
- **Mind-stimulating thinking skills**: Challenge yourself with engaging exercises to enhance critical thinking and problem-solving abilities.

Choose your learning Journey. We offer three flexible options to fit your needs:

# Standard WEMT (Face-to-face learning)

Learn directly from expert teachers in a dynamic classroom setting and access all Cyberschool resources.

## Standard WEMT (Live Zoom lesson)

Join interactive zoom lessons from the comfort of your home and access all Cyberschool resources.

## Cyber WEMT (Video lesson)

Work at your own pace with pre-recorded video lessons and access to Cyberschool materials.

### Year 3 Term 3 Standard WEMT - Timetable & Class Location

WEMT Session	Lesson format	Class Time	Class Location*
Saturday MC	Face-to-face	8:30am - 12:00pm	The McDonald College*
Saturday AC	Face-to-face	12:45pm - 4:15pm	The McDonald College *
Sunday MC	Face-to-face	9:00am - 12:30pm	Strathfield Centre (8 Lyons Street)
Sunday AC	Face-to-face	1:00pm - 4:30pm	Strathfield Centre (8 Lyons Street)
Thursday	Face-to-face	4:30pm - 8:00pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent)
Friday	Face-to-face	4:30pm - 8:00pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent)
Sunday AC	Zoom lesson	1:00pm – 4:30pm	Live zoom lesson from home
Tuesday	Zoom lesson	4:30pm - 8:00pm	Live zoom lesson from home

• Class location\* is subject to change based on enrolment numbers.

#### Year 3 Term 3 WEMT Course - Fee Schedule

Course Name	Session	Starting Date	<b>Tuition Fee</b>	No. of	Material	Total	Early Bird Discount*	Full Term Discount**	
Course Name	36331011	Starting Date	per week	weeks	Fee	Total	(by 8th July 2024)	(by 26th July 2024)	
	Saturday	20-July	\$ 65	11	\$ 75	\$ 790	\$ 725	\$ 757.50	
Year 3	Sunday	21-July	\$ 65	11	\$ 75	\$ 790	\$ 725	\$ 757.50	
Standard	Tuesday	23-July	\$ 65	10	\$ 75	\$ 725	\$ 660	\$ 692.50	
WEMT	Thursday	25-July	\$ 65	10	\$ 75	\$ 725	\$ 660	\$ 692.50	
	Friday	26-July	\$ 65	10	\$ 75	\$ 725	\$ 660	\$ 692.50	
Cyber WEMT	Self-paced	9	\$ 570 for 11 modules including material fee (No discount offer)						

- Early Bird Discount Offer\* prices are valid for full term payments by Monday, 5pm, 8th July 2024.
- Full Term Enrolment Discount Offer\*\* prices are valid for full term payments by Friday, 5pm, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024.
- Enrolment: To ensure focus and continuity of learning, students cannot switch courses or transfer to another branch until the course is completed

## OC Foundation Course (OCFC) for Year 3



### Get Ahead and Gain Confidence in the 2025 OC Placement Test!

We're excited to introduce our updated OC exam preparation course, which now includes a new exam schedule and format designed for the 2025 OC placement test.

Starting next year, the OC exam will be a computer-based test (CBT) and will take place in May. To adapt to this new format and earlier exam date, we are launching our OC Foundation Course (OCFC), specifically designed for Year 3 students. This course focuses on building a strong foundation in the various question types found in the OC exam, providing students with the confidence they need to transition smoothly to the computer-based OC Trial Test Course (OCTTC) starting in Term 4.

### **Course Structure**

Students will alternate between working on workbook lessons and practicing exam-style questions from the OC placement test. The focus will switch weekly between Reading & Mathematical Reasoning and Thinking Skills & Mathematical Reasoning. The course concludes with a computer-based term test in the final week (Week 11), covering Reading, Mathematical Reasoning, and Thinking Skills.

### Reading:

- Each reading week tackles a different reading format: comprehension, poems, gapped texts, and multiple matching. Students receive workbooks with practice questions to solidify their understanding of the week's text type. Vocabulary lists are provided to boost language skills.
- After the workbook lesson, students take a class test on the specific format. This is followed by a review session where the format is analysed in detail, and test questions are explained.

#### Mathematical Reasoning & Stage 2 Maths:

- Each week, students will learn and master the topics outlined in the Stage 2 (NSW K-10 Syllabus) Maths covered through the workbook. This is followed by a mathematical reasoning test and a review session for detailed explanations and reinforcement.
- Remember that Stage 2 Maths skill is crucial for both the OC Mathematical Reasoning Test and the Problem-Solving section of the Thinking Skills Test.

#### Thinking Skills:

- Each thinking skills week centres on a specific topic: critical thinking or problem-solving skills.
   Students will work through their workbook, which includes practice questions to solidify their understanding of the week's topic.
- The workbook lesson is followed by the thinking skills test on the specific topic. Finally, a review session delves into the question type in detail, providing explanations for the test questions.

#### Term Test (Week 11):

Students will take the term tests covering Reading, Mathematical Reasoning, and Thinking Skills. This will allow students to experience the computer-based test format, which will be conducted in Term 4 OCTTC.

**Remember:** While our course and experienced teachers provide excellent support, consistent effort from students and support from parents are key to achieving the best results.

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### Year 3 Term 3 OC Foundation Course - Weekly Lesson & Tests Schedule

Week	Topics
Week 1	<ul> <li>Reading Comprehension</li> <li>Maths: Representing numbers using place value</li> </ul>
Week 2	<ul> <li>Thinking Skills: Assessing the Impact of additional evidence &amp; Finding Procedures I</li> <li>Maths: Additive relations</li> </ul>
Week 3	<ul><li>Reading – Poem</li><li>Maths: Multiplicative relations</li></ul>
Week 4	<ul> <li>Thinking Skills: Detect Reasoning Errors &amp; Identifying Similarity I</li> <li>Maths: Partitioned fractions</li> </ul>
Week 5	<ul><li>Reading – Gapped Text</li><li>Maths: Geometric measure</li></ul>
Week 6	<ul> <li>Thinking Skills: Drawing a Conclusion &amp; Finding Procedures II</li> <li>Maths: Two-dimensional spatial structure</li> </ul>
Week 7	<ul><li>Reading – Multiple Matching</li><li>Maths: Three-dimensional spatial structure</li></ul>
Week 8	<ul> <li>Thinking Skills: Identifying Assumption &amp; Matching Arguments &amp; Similarity II</li> <li>Maths: Non-spatial measure</li> </ul>
Week 9	<ul><li>Reading Comprehension – Revision</li><li>Maths: Data</li></ul>
Week 10	<ul> <li>Thinking Skills: Mixed of Critical Thinking &amp; Relevant Selections</li> <li>Maths: Chance</li> </ul>
Week 11	Computer-based term tests in Reading, Mathematical Reasoning, and Thinking Skills

### Year 3 Term 3 OC Foundation Course - Session Timetable

WEEKS 1, 3, 5, 7, 9	Duration	WEEKS 2, 4, 6, 8, 10	Duration
Class admin	5 min	Class admin	5 min
Workbook Lesson 1 (Reading)	20 min	Workbook Lesson 1 (Thinking Skills)	20 min
Test 1 (Reading)	25 min	Test 1 (Thinking Skills)	25 min
Test 1 Review (Reading)	30 min	Test 1 Review (Thinking Skills)	30 min
Break	10 min	Break	10 min
Workbook Lesson 2 (Maths Stage 2)	40 min	Workbook Lesson 2 (Maths Stage 2)	40 min
Test 2 (Mathematical Reasoning)	25 min	Test 2 (Mathematical Reasoning)	25 min
Test 2 Review (Mathematical Reasoning)	30 min	Test 2 Review (Mathematical Reasoning)	30 min

<sup>•</sup> The last session (Week 11) will be the term tests in computer-based format.

### **Boost your OCFC learning with Cyberschool:**

The OC Foundation Course (OCFC) goes beyond classroom learning with Cyberschool, our online learning platform packed with helpful features, allowing students to practice the computer-based tests at home.

- Master Your Mistakes: After class test reviews, Cyberschool lets you revisit missed questions in Reading, Mathematical Reasoning, and Thinking Skills during the specified service period. Retrying these questions helps solidify understanding and identify areas for improvement.
- Self-Check Your Work: Access workbook answers on Cyberschool to check your work and learn from any mistakes. This reinforces learning and empowers you to independently review and improve.

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- Vocabulary Builder: Put your vocabulary to the test! Cyberschool offers vocabulary practice tests during the specified service period, based on the provided vocabulary lists. This helps strengthen your language skills and prepare you for vocabulary sections in the exams.
- Weekly CBT Practice: Enhance your exam skills with weekly practice questions in Reading, Mathematical Reasoning, and Thinking Skills. Complete these within the designated service period. Regular practice on Cyberschool helps you become familiar with various question types and prepares you for the computer-based test format used in our OCTTC and actual OC exam.

**Important Notes:** The Cyberschool service is <u>not</u> included in the tuition fee but is provided free of charge by Pre-Uni New College. Please note that this service is subject to change without notice. It is available for a set period and will <u>no longer</u> be accessible once this period ends.

### Class Schedule

The OCFC class follows a four-day schedule. Each lesson is introduced on Saturday and then repeated on Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. For students attending the OCFC Tuesday and Wednesday class, the make-up class for the last session will be held on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Please refer to the schedule below for available OCFC sessions, class times and locations.

OCFC Session	Class Time	Class Location*
Saturday MC	9:00am - 12:10pm	McDonald College (17 George St. North Strathfield)
Saturday AC	1:00pm - 4:10pm	McDonald College (17 George St. North Strathfield)
Sunday MC	9:00am - 12:10pm	Strathfield Centre (8 Lyons St. Strathfield)
Sunday AC	1:00pm - 4:10pm	Strathfield Centre (8 Lyons St. Strathfield)
Tuesday	5:00pm - 8:10pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent Strathfield)
Wednesday	5:00pm - 8:10pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent Strathfield)

Year 3 Term 3 OC Foundation Course - Class Time & Location

Class location\* is subject to change based on enrolment numbers.

### Year 3 Term 3 OC Foundation Course - Fee Schedule

Course Name	Session	Starting Date	Finishing Date	Tuition Fee per week	No. of weeks	Total	*Special D/C price
Year 3 OC Foundation Course (OCFC)	Saturday	20-July	28-Sep	\$ 70	11	\$ 770	\$ 693
	Sunday	21-July	29-Sep	\$ 70	11	\$ 770	\$ 693
	Tuesday	23-July	30-Sep*	\$ 70	11	\$ 770	\$ 693
	Wednesday	24-July	<mark>30–Sep</mark> *	\$ 70	11	\$ 770	\$ 693

- Special D/C price\* offer is available only to the students who enrol in both Term 3 full-term OCFC and Term 3 full-term standard WEMT course together. This price is for the OCFC fee only and does not include the WEMT course fee. A separate full-term payment must be made for the WEMT course.
- The Scholarship, Early Bird (E/B) and sibling discounts are **not** applicable for the OCFC.
- Additional surcharge will apply to credit card payments. We only accept VISA and Master Card.
- **30–Sep\*** For students attending the OCFC Tuesday and Wednesday class, the make-up class for the last session will be held on Monday, **30th September 2024**.
- Please consider this information when you enrol in the OCFC: Students can only access the OCFC test questions during their scheduled class sessions. While Cyberschool may offer limited access to review specific portions under certain conditions and policies, this course does <u>not</u> provide take-home test papers.

### Thinking Skills Intermediate Course

The "Thinking Skills Intermediate" Course is designed to foster the development of problem-solving and critical thinking abilities, equipping our students with the necessary skills for success in their academic journey and ultimately, for the OC and selective school placement tests. With a comprehensive focus on preparing them for the thinking skills component, the course will cover a diverse array of essential topics.



#### **Course Overview:**

- ♣ The course aims to provide students with the tools and techniques to approach challenges with confidence and creativity.
- ♣ Through engaging activities and thought-provoking exercises, our dedicated teacher will guide the students on their path to becoming proficient critical thinkers.
- 4 Students will learn effective problem-solving skills to tackle complex issues in various subjects.
- 4 Students will encouraged to analyse, evaluate, and draw reasoned conclusions from the information they encounter.
- ♣ As students develop their thinking skills, they will gain confidence in their abilities to excel academically.
- → The course is open to Years 3 and 4 students who are aiming for the OC and selective school exam and will cover essential topics to equip them with the necessary knowledge for the thing skills test.

### 2024 Term 3 Thinking Skills Intermediate - Class Timetable

Course Name	Session	Class Time	Class Location		
Thinkin a Chille	Saturday MC	10:00am - 12:10pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent)		
Thinking Skills Intermediate	Saturday AC	1:00pm – 3:10pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent)		
	Thursday	5:00pm - 7:10pm	Strathfield Centre (Level 1, 8 Lyons St.)		

• Class location\* is subject to change based on enrolment numbers.

### 2024 Term 3 Thinking Skills Intermediate - Class Timetable

Course Name	Session	Starting Date	Tuition Fee per week	No. of weeks	Material Fee	Total	Early Bird Payment Offer* (by 8th July 2024)	Full Term Enrolment Discount Offer** (by 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2024)
Thinking Skills	Sat	20-July	\$ 55	10	\$ 100	\$ 650	\$595	\$ 622.50
Intermediate (face-to-face)	Thu	25-July	\$ 55	10	\$ 100	\$ 650	\$595	\$ 622.50

- Early Bird Discount Offer\* prices are valid for full term payments by Monday, 5pm, 8th July 2024.
- Full Term Enrolment Discount Offer\*\* prices are valid for full term payments by Friday, 5pm, 26th July 2024.
- The scholarship and sibling discounts do not apply to the thinking skills course.
- Additional surcharge will apply to all credit card payments. We only accept VISA and Mastercard.
- **Enrolment**: To ensure focus and continuity of learning, students <u>cannot</u> switch courses or transfer to another branch until the course is completed.

### Year 3 Writing Course (Wednesday)

### Boost confidence, competence, and creativity in your child's writing!

The Year 3 Writing course is designed to give your child the skills and tools they need to excel in all areas of writing, from creative stories to school assignments and standardised tests like NAPLAN, ICAS, and selective school exams.

### What makes this course unique?

- We cater to each student's individual needs, fostering a love for writing and building confidence.
- **♣** Students strengthen both technical skills (grammar, spelling, punctuation) and imaginative storytelling.
- Gain the edge with targeted practice for standardized writing assessments.

### Here's what your child will explore in Term 3:

- ✓ Master reports, poems, discussions, and of course, captivating narratives!
- ✓ Craft clear and engaging sentences with proper structure and grammar.
- ✓ Build a colorful word bank to express themselves creatively.
- ✓ Develop strong editing and proofreading skills.
- ✓ Learn to tell captivating stories with vivid descriptions and engaging dialogue.

This engaging course covers essential topics like sentence structure, paragraphing, punctuation, using connectives, and summarising information.

Empower your child to become a confident and skilled writer. Enrol today!

### Year 3 Term 3 Writing Course - Class Timetable

Course Name	Session	Class Time	Class Location*
Year 3 Writing	Wednesday	5:00pm - 7:40pm	Strathfield Head Office (5 The Crescent)

• Class location\* is subject to change based on enrolment numbers.

### Year 3 Term 3 Writing Course - Fee Schedule

Course Name	Session	Starting Date	Tuition Fee per week	No. of weeks	Material Fee	Total	Early Bird Discount* (by 8th July 2024)	Full Term Discount** (by 26th July 2024)
Year 3 Writing	Wednesday	24-July	\$ 50	10	\$ 50	\$ 550	\$500	\$ 525

- Early Bird Discount Offer\* prices are valid for full term payments by Monday, 5pm, 8th July 2024.
- Full Term Enrolment Discount Offer\*\* prices are valid for full term payments by Friday, 5pm, 26th July 2024.
- The scholarship and sibling discounts do not apply to the writing course.
- Additional surcharge will apply to all credit card payments. We only accept VISA and Mastercard.
- Enrolment: To ensure focus and continuity of learning, students cannot switch courses or transfer to another branch until the course is completed.

