

OC Foundation Course (OCFC) for Year 3

Get Ahead and Gain Confidence in the 2026 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 2026 OC placement test.

The 2026 OC placement test is a computer-based test (CBT) and will take place on 1 – 3 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 3.

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 3 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.

Year 3 Term 2 OC Foundation Course – Weekly Lesson & Tests Schedule

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

Year 3 Term 2 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

- 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.

- **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 not 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 no longer 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 makeup class for the last session will be held on Monday, 7th July 2025. Please refer to the schedule below for available OCFC sessions, class times and locations.

Year 3 Term 2 OC Foundation Course – Class Time & Location

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)

- ✓ Class location* may be subject to change depending on the number of available classrooms.

Year 3 Term 2 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	26–April	5–July	\$ 75	11	\$ 825	\$ 742.50
	Sunday	27–April	6–July	\$ 75	11	\$ 825	\$ 742.50
	Tuesday	29–April	7–July*	\$ 75	11	\$ 825	\$ 742.50
	Wednesday	30–April	7–July*	\$ 75	11	\$ 825	\$ 742.50

- **Special D/C price* offer** is available only to the students who enrol in both Term 2 full-term OCFC and Term 2 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.
- **Scholarship** discounts are available until **Monday 14th April 2025, 5PM.**
- 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.
- **7–July*** – For students attending the OCFC Tuesday and Wednesday class, the makeup class for the last session will be held on Monday, 7th July 2025.
- **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 not provide take-home test papers.