



# THE WEEKLY NEWS

What	When
School photos	Monday 22nd February
Parent Teacher meetings	Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th Feb
School Council meeting	Wednesday 24th February—6.30pm
Leadership presentations—Assembly	Friday 26th February
Parent information night (P/1/2)	Monday 1st March 5.30-6.30 (rescheduled)
Labour Day long weekend	Monday 8th March
Interschool tennis	Friday 12th March

### “Every Day Counts”

If your child is absent from school we must have a note, phone call or you can also enter the reason directly onto COMPASS to explain the absence. This is required by the Department for our records.

There is no Assembly this week.

### Parent Teacher Interviews—Students Do Not Attend These Meetings

This year we will be conducting Parent Teacher Interviews on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th of February. These interviews are designed for parents to meet with teachers for 10 minutes to discuss your child and to chat about the start of the year or any other important topics of conversation.

These meetings are very important for both teachers and parents.

To make a booking please log onto COMPASS. Click on the icon Community icon (2 people) at the top of the page. Scroll down and click on Conference. You should then have the choice of times for both Wednesday and Thursday.

If logging in on a mobile device, simply open the menu selections and select conferences. You will then have access to the times for your child’s interview.

At present we have many parents not allocated to a time to meet with their child’s teacher. Please log onto COMPASS and select a time for either Wednesday or Thursday of next week. If you have issues logging on or cannot locate the times, please ring the school and we will complete the booking for you.

Staff have cleared these 2 days for the meetings as we feel they are very important for your child’s education.

### School Photos



Next Monday we have our school photos. They will start at 9am so students must be at school on time in complete school uniform.

Please ensure you have completed the order forms and returned them to school prior to this day.

Family photo packs and spare individual packs (in case you have lost your original) need to be collected from the office.

### Return To Onsite Learning

Thank you for everyone’s understanding and patience over the past 3 days of state wide lockdown. Now we have returned to onsite learning we must abide by the following conditions:

- masks must be worn if you are entering school buildings and also must be worn outside if you cannot socially distance (particularly after school pick up)
- Parents are asked to come onsite only if necessary, and do not stay for an extended period of time. The parent teacher interviews will be fine as they involve a minimal number of people and we can control the social distancing.

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**Happy Birthday** Charlotte Thomas, Charlie Hill, John Borlase, Taylor Smith.



### Students Of The Week:

**Grade Prep/1: Lazena Hill** for your effort and focus during Maths this week. It was wonderful to see you confidently sharing your thinking with the class when we were using our Maths toolboxes. Well done Lazena! Keep up the great work!

**Grade 1: Rylie O'Brien** for showing excellent listening during learning time. You have been focussed on the discussions and shown confidence when sharing your thinking. Well done!

**Grade 2: Jelina Choeun** for the wonderful effort you have put into your maths tasks this week. Jelina, you have shown great focus and persistence when working on your different number patterns this week. You have also continued to share your thinking and problem solving with your peers during class discussions. Well done Jelina and keep up the great work!

**Grade 3/4: Angel Gowers** for being kind and a helpful member of our class. Angel, you are a great role model in Grade 3/4. You are always encouraging your classmates and offering help to others when they need it. Well done Angel! We are so grateful to have you in our class.

**Grade 4/5: Lakiesha Thomas** we have noticed you concentrating in class. It has been fantastic to see you focussed on your learning and putting your best effort into all of your tasks. You eagerly contribute your ideas and you are happy to help out your classmates when you see a need. Keep up the awesome work Lakiesha!

**Grade 5/6: Blake Garsed** for always being on task in class and not distracting any of your classmates. Blake, you have been focussed on your learning and putting your best effort in. Keep working hard Blake.

### School Crossing

The start of the school year always offers a timely opportunity to remind our students and parents of the appropriate area to cross the road at the front of the school. Green bollards near the large blue school sign indicate the safest place to cross the road. A staff member will always be on duty to assist people across the road safely. Please do not cross anywhere else as it can be difficult for drivers to see people when they enter the road from between parked cars.

The road is not marked as a designated crossing but the bollards indicate the correct place to cross, with the assistance of a staff member.



### Bus Notes

Students planning on travelling by bus to and from school must complete the appropriate form. The forms were sent home last week with students but are available from the office also. These must be returned ASAP in order for your child to travel by bus and must be completed every year.



### Thank You So Much

After asking in the newsletter last week for some help removing some rubbish from school, one of our new families to school helped out. Thank you to the Borlase family for removing the rubbish. It is greatly appreciated.

### Camps And Excursions Fund

A note has been sent home explaining how eligible parents can claim the Camps and Excursion funds 2021. Those parents who were eligible last year must reapply again this year.

## School Leadership

We have now completed the elections for the leadership positions in the school.

Congratulations to the following students who will be leading our school in a variety of roles in 2021.

### School Leaders: full year

Olly Robb  
Alex Hocking  
Sommer Bailey

### House Captains: full year

Ryan (**Green**): Ajaih Birthisel & Nate Garraway  
Taylor (**Blue**): Charlotte Hill & Blake Garsed  
Byrne (**Red**): Billy Vallender & Lakeisha Thomas  
McLennon (**Yellow**): Abby Harris & Charli Searle

### Junior School Council:

Grade 3/4: Kiaisha Huddleston & Hunter Bailey  
Grade 4/5: Matilda Reid & Nate Edwards-Riley  
Grade 5/6: Emma Ryan & Tayah Shaw

### Club Co-ordinators:

Yet to be finalised. Will be confirmed in time for the leadership presentation next Friday 26th Feb.

Leadership presentations will be conducted at our assembly next **Friday 26th Feb** starting at 9.00am. Parents and family members are welcome to attend to support your children.

## Red Cliffs Swimming Club Annual Swimming Carnival

The Red Cliffs Swimming Club will be holding their annual swimming carnival later in the year. This is usually held in Term 1 but this year due to the pool closing for renovations at the end of February and the current COVID restrictions it was tabled that it would be in everyone's best interest to run the event in Term 4. This will also coincide with the start of the swimming season for any students looking at joining the local swimming club.

The exact times for the carnival will be confirmed at a later date.



**Red Cliffs  
Swimming Club**

**Primary Schools of Red Cliffs  
Annual Swimming Carnival**

## Buddy Afternoon

Last Friday afternoon the Grade 6 students had the opportunity to meet the parents of their Prep/1 buddy. It was great to see the students and adults getting to know each other over a biscuit (made by the Prep/1 students). The Grade 6 students are such an important part of the Prep students school life so it was important that the parents had the chance to meet them. It was very successful with praise from both parents and students.

## Prep, Gr 1 and Gr 2 Information Evening

**Monday, 1st March (5.30-6.30pm)**, we will be holding an information evening for parents of students in the Prep/1, Grade 1 and Gr 2 classes.

This year we are introducing a new reading/spelling program in the infant rooms that will directly affect all students. The process is new to our school so we need to take the opportunity to share the processes with all the parents from the infant department (Prep/1, Gr 1 and Gr 2). We feel it is vitally important that parents attend the 1 hour session so that you understand why we are working this way and also understand your role with the books we send home with the students for home reading.

Please put this date into your diaries.

**PARENT  
INFORMATION  
SESSION**

**RESCHEDULED  
NEW DATE ANNOUNCED**

## Medical Action Plans

If your child suffers from asthma, anaphylaxis or allergy, we require an **updated action plan** that has been completed and signed by your doctor. These plans must be updated annually.

If your child requires any form of medication to be administered at school, you must hand the medication personally (not the child) into the office and complete a medical form explaining how the medication is to be administered. **Medication will not be administered to the child without this form.**

## School Fees

Families will receive a letter regarding school fees for 2021. Students were giving the notes at school today to take home. There are different options available to pay the fees. Please complete the form and return it to school no later than **Friday 5th of March.**

School fees are a vital financial element to how your child's school functions every year. Without families contributing these fees, our school is at a real disadvantage financially. We appreciate your support. Please feel free to contact Mr. Warn if you have any questions and concerns around the school fees.

Hot Shots & Tennis 4 Teens @ Red Cliffs Tennis Club Term 1, 2021

**Hot Shots** -Tuesday 4-5pm Wednesday 4-5pm & Saturday 9-10am

All sessions @\$10 Racquets available-Plus free Hot Shots T-Shirt

Hot Shots MATCH PLAY each Saturday 10-11am @\$3 per player

**Tennis 4 Teens** - Wednesday 5-6pm Thursday 5-6pm

Racquets available \$10 per session

To enrol or for more information ph: Lisa Hill 0400726824

email: [lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com) Community Play Coordinator

Come join us & join in the **Adventure of Scouting!**

### Sections & Age Groups

<b>Joeys</b>	5 - 7yrs	Monday 5.45 - 6.45pm
<b>Cubs</b>	8 - 10yrs	Thursday 6.30 - 8pm
<b>Scouts</b>	11 - 14yrs	Wednesday 7 - 9pm

Red Cliffs Scout Group  
51 Fitzroy Ave  
Red Cliffs



**Scouts**  
AUSTRALIA



**SEE YOU THERE!**

For more information, contact: Syd James on 0417 561 137 or  
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