

IMPORTANT DATES



Kings Billabong Excursion—Grade 5/6—Monday 26th
Prep Practice—Day 2—Tuesday 27th November
Crazy Hair Day—Friday 30th November—gold coin donation

Red Cliffs Primary School Values:

All stakeholders at Red Cliffs Primary School developed a new Strategic Plan at the end of 2016. This plan forms the basis of our work until the end of 2020. As part of our Strategic Plan we adopted four key values that we thought important to our school. I ask parents to take the time to discuss these values with your children:

Respect: At Red Cliffs Primary School our teachers, students and parents are expected to model respect for all. Recognising and accepting the differences, weaknesses and strengths of others is a shared responsibility.

Honesty: The school community understands that honesty underpins all relationships. We strive to ensure that honesty is genuinely reflected in all communication and relationships.

Responsibility: Red Cliffs Primary School recognises that students, staff and parents/carers have joint responsibility to ensure on-going learning for all.

Expectations: Red Cliffs Primary School recognises that high expectations of the whole school community are crucial for educational and personal achievement.

Have a sensational week.

Rod Beer
Principal

Principal's Report:

End of Term:

Term 4 is rushing to an end but we still have several weeks of **normal school activities and work** to go.

Teachers have reported to me that many students are coming to school tired because they have been having sleepovers on Sunday nights and during the week.

I remind parents of the need for children to maintain their normal routine each night during the school week and not have sleepovers or movie nights.

Children who come to school tired are not able to function at their best. They do not think well and their behaviour is often not acceptable.

CHILDREN AND SLEEP

"Children aged six to 13 need **9-11 hours of sleep**. School-aged children are interested in TV, computers, video games and the internet – all of which can lead to difficulty falling asleep, nightmares and disruptions to their sleep. In particular, watching TV or playing video games close to bedtime has been associated with bedtime resistance, difficulty falling asleep, anxiety around sleep and sleeping fewer hours." How much sleep is your child getting?????

Jacaranda Village Donation:

Today I had the pleasure of escorting Hannah Warburton (Junior School Council Chair Person) and Cheyenne Riordan (School Captain) to Jacaranda Village.

The girls— representing all Red Cliffs Primary School children - were there to present a cheque for \$267 to the residents.

Our students raised the money earlier this year from a "Beanie Day" and from selling excess library books.

I believe the Jacaranda Village Men's Shed will use the donation to buy some new equipment.



Somers Camp:

Ten grade 5 and 6 students and Mr Laird are currently enjoying themselves at Lord Somers Camp.

See page 3 for details.

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★ Stars of the Week ★

★ Zara Gowers	Prep A	Persistence	Always presenting her work neatly!
★ Jaii Madden	1/2A	Persistence	Always putting in his best effort
★ Miley Crothers	1/2B	Getting Along	A great helper and good friend
★ Brandon Walters	3/4A	Persistence	Fantastic effort in reading and writing
★ Meleane Tuliakiono	3/4B	Persistence	Fantastic effort on her multi-genre writing project
★ Hannah Nagle	3/4C	Getting Along	Always being kind to others
★ Jy Austin	5/6A	Persistence	Excellent persistence in Maths
★ Iona Brolese	5/6B	Confidence	Great work in Humanities!
★ Mia Cook	5/6C	Confidence	Great effort with her poetry!



This Week's Birthdays.....

Evelyn Magee 9 Monday 19th November
Jae Boyd 7 Sunday 25th November

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Parent Club News:

Wednesday 5th December – Disco. Help is needed to set the multipurpose room up for the school disco from 11am. The senior disco will be from 6.30 – 8pm and we will need five parents to help supervise, prepare food and do a quick clean up at the end. Please contact the office and put your name on the list if you can assist.

Christmas Hamper: Parents Club will be running a Christmas Hamper raffle to be drawn at the End of Year Concert. Families are asked to kindly donate non-perishable items and these can be left at the office. We also require one person to make up the raffle books ready for distribution. If you can assist please contact the office.

Science News

This week in Science:-

Prep children will complete a test to assess their understanding of materials and their properties.

Gr. 1/2 children will be assessed following their completion of experiments to see what happens to the property of materials when they are used to create a mixture.

Gr. 3 / 4 students will be assessed on their understanding of natural and processed materials.

Gr 5 / 6 students will complete a test related to their unit of work about reversible and irreversible changes.

If anyone has shoe boxes or other similar sized boxes they would be greatly appreciated in the science room. They provide a great place for the guinea pigs to sleep.

Vicki Vale

Great Behaviour in the Yard:

Congratulations to Lydia Purnell (gr.1), Jack Collins (gr.5) and Ella Schreiber (gr.3) for their Great Behaviour in the Yard this week. Enjoy those free Crunchas kids.





Lord Somers

A camp for all seasons

Yesterday, 10 students from our school— accompanied by Mr Laird— travelled past Melbourne to attend the 9 day Somers School Camp. They will meet with 160 students from other Sunraysia schools and will participate in a variety of challenging outdoor, water and team building activities. Here are a few snapshots of the trip down and morning activities.....Look out for the regular photo updates on our school Facebook page.....

