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Prep Activity Night—Wednesday 18th October
Mini Show—Friday 20th October
Grade 3/4 camp—Wed. 25th– Friday 27th October

Pupil Free Day:

Red Cliffs Primary School will be having a pupil free day on Monday 6th November (the day before the Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday).

All staff will be in attendance at school participating in professional development activities.

Due to staff unavailability OOSH will not be operating on the pupil free day.

Book Reviews:

Throughout term 4 students from each grade will be selected to give a book review to share with us.

Our senior school leaders - Jasmine Shepherd and Noah Holmyard (school Captains) and Jazmin Parker (Junior School Council President) have their reviews on p. 4.

Grade 3/4 Camp:

The grade 3/4 Swan Hill Camp will be held from Wednesday 25th-Friday 27th October. The finalised itinerary and clothing lists were sent home yesterday.

Final payment must be made by next Friday, 20th October,

Have a fantastic week!

**Rod Beer
Principal**

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Principal's Report:**Welcome Back:**

I sincerely hope all staff, students and parents had a wonderful holiday. Term 4 is a long, hard-working term in which significant learning should occur. All students need to read **every night** and complete all homework that is set. Highlights of the term include prep and grade 1 activity nights, grade 2 sleepover, grade 3/4 camp in Swan Hill, grade 5/6 camp in Melbourne and Ballarat and the end-of-year concert. We will be very busy!

Walk to School 2017:

Red Cliffs Primary School has joined the hundreds of primary schools across Victoria for a fun month of walking, riding and scooting to and from school. Mrs Doering will be meeting students at Big Lizzie every Friday at 8.30am - she would love to have lots of kids join her.

Mini-Show:

The annual Red Cliffs Primary School Mini Show will be held next Friday, October 20th. All students are encouraged to enter as many sections as they can. Parents are invited to come and tour our show during the morning from 9.15am.

New Playground:

Our very flash, new playground—located in front of the library—is almost ready for use. The playground looks sensational. It features wheelchair access, rock climbing walls, a large slide and rope areas. The playground is suitable for all primary school children. The spreading of soft fall is expected to happen on Friday morning which means the playground might be in use for Friday afternoon recess. I will be conducting a raffle draw to select the first child and the first grade to use the playground. Good luck!



★ Stars of the Week ★

★ Phoenix Anthony	Prep T	Resilience	Smart start to term 4!
★ Harley Madden	P/1M	Persistence	Great handwriting!
★ Cameron Johns	1/2K	Organisation	Always ready to learn
★ Emily Rundell	2J	Persistence	Awesome start to term 4
★ Malachi Jamieson- Okeby	3/4A	Getting Along	Always being a polite and cheerful class member
★ Asha Jamieson- Okeby	3/4B	Persistence	Always accepting feedback on her work
★ Liam Collins	3/4C	Organisation	Great writing about the river
★ Kyron Hartnett	5/6A	Resilience	Bouncing back with a positive attitude
★ Molly Gleeson	5/6B	Confidence	Excellent work and ideas in class!



This Week's Birthdays.....

Bonnie Perkins	8	Wednesday	11th	October
Ella Schreiber	8	Wednesday	11th	October
Danil McKenzie	8	Thursday	12th	October
Miss Davis	??	Tuesday	10th	October

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Parent Club News:

Sausage Sizzle: Parents Club will be conducting the Sausage Sizzle each Wednesday this term. We need volunteers to cook each week. Please contact the office as soon as possible to place your name on the list.

READING AT HOME.

Reading in our modern world is more important than ever. When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them, using a recipe, making a shopping list, writing a birthday card, reading street signs, or reading and writing emails – it teaches them that reading and writing are useful skills.

We need to remember that **the goal of reading is to always to make sense of what is read.**

Some tips to help with this are:

- * Make reading each night a priority – it is important and our kids need to know that!
- * Turn off the TV and limit distractions when your child is reading – we want kids to be **READING THE STORY, NOT JUST THE WORDS.** If there are a lot of things distracting them, then they won't be fully concentrating on the STORY and then will not fully understand what they have read.
- Before reading, talk about the cover, the title and the pictures and discuss what the book may be about.
- During reading, discuss what has been read up to that point and predict what might happen next.
- After reading, talk and ask questions about the story and the pictures to check that they have understood what they have read.
- Listen to your child read as often as you can, every day if possible, even if only for a short time.

We want our kids to ENJOY reading and WANT to read. Kids need to **READ THE STORY AND NOT JUST THE WORDS.**

Great Behaviour in the Yard:

Congratulations to Jack Collins (gr.4), Nadia Van Miltenburg-Lucas (gr.3) and Jy Austin (gr.5) for their Great Behaviour in the Yard this week. Enjoy those free Great Australian Ice Creams kids.



Integrated Studies in 2J!

Last term we looked at landforms and made 3D models of a landform. Here are some of our amazing dioramas!



BOOK INTERVIEWS

Name: Noah Holmyard

Grade: 6

Favourite book: “Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Double Down” – *Jeff Kinney*

Why? It was pretty funny and I like how the illustrator has set out the pages to make it look like a real diary that you write in.

Who would you recommend the book to: Grade 3-6

What book/s would you like to receive as a gift? The Goosebumps Series – *R.L. Stine*.



Name: Jasmine Shepherd

Grade: 6

Favourite book: “Then” – *Morris Gleitzman*

Why? It had a lot of detail so I could picture the story in my head.

Who would you recommend the book to: Grade 5/6

What book/s would you like to receive as a gift? The next 3 books in the ‘Once’ series (“After”, “Soon” and “Maybe”) – *Morris Gleitzman*.



Name: Jazmin Parker

Grade: 6

Favourite book: “After” – *Morris Gleitzman*

Why? It was something different to books I normally read and I could visualise the story.

Who would you recommend the book to: Grade 6

What book/s would you like to receive as a gift? “Dork Diary” series – *Rachel Renee Russel*



RCPS Mini Show 2017

Friday 20th October 2017

On Friday 20th October we will once again be holding our Mini Show.

Please make an effort to enter as many sections as you can.

The more people who participate, the better our show will be.

All entries must be delivered to the Multi-Purpose Room by 8.50am on Friday 20th.

MAKE SURE THAT ALL ENTRIES ARE CLEARLY NAMED BEFORE BRINGING THEM TO SCHOOL

ALL GRADES

- *Most colourful bunch of flowers
- *Longest piece of asparagus
- *Best dressed soft toy as a famous person
- *Best model of a show ride
- *Longest bottle brush
- *Smallest rose

GRADES PREP 1 & 2

- *Best decorated half dozen biscuits
- *Best decorated bike or scooter



GRADES 3 & 4

- *Best decorated half dozen cup-cakes
- *Best fruit/vegetable model of a vehicle



GRADES 5 & 6

- *Best Decorated Cake
- *Best fruit/vegetable model of a famous person



You can ask an adult to help you bake the biscuits and cakes, but make sure you decorate them yourself.



Lots of fun for everyone!

