



THE WEEKLY NEWS

What	When
Prep & buddies meet parents	Friday 18th February 2.45pm
School photos	Monday 21st February
Curriculum day—Pupil Free Day	Friday 25th February
Parent/teacher/student interviews	Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd March
Interschool tennis	Friday 11th March
Labour Day Long Weekend	Monday 14th March
School cross country	Tuesday 5th April

“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

[Assembly tomorrow will be run by Grade 5/6 \(9.00am\)](#)

Contact School Council: rceps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com

Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

This year we will be conducting Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews on **Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd March**. These interviews are designed for parents to meet with teachers and students for 10 minutes to discuss anything school related.

These meetings are very important for both teachers, parents and students.

A timetable is now set up in COMPASS for you to choose a time that best suits. The deadline for you to select an appropriate time is **Friday 25th February**.

Please log onto COMPASS and select a time that best suits you.

Camps And Excursions Fund

A note was sent home last week explaining how eligible parents can claim the Camps and Excursion funds 2022. Those parents who were eligible last year do not need to reapply unless their circumstances have changed. Please contact the office if you need clarification.

Keeping Safe

We still live in a world where we need to keep each other safe. Therefore the following still applies at school:

Any parents entering buildings must use QR codes.

- ***Parents entering school buildings must be at least double vaccinated.***
- ***Parents must wear a mask when indoors.***
- Students to use RATs twice a week for the first 4 weeks.
- Students in Grades 3 to 6 must wear masks indoors. Masks are encouraged for younger students.
- Only essential people to be on site.
- Students will be asked to sanitise their hands regularly during the day.
- Staff will wear masks indoors except when teaching.

We need to look after each other so please be considerate of those around you.

Birthdays: January—Fagan Finn, Tommy Smith, Baylea Smith, Bree Franz, James Marinucci, Lilah Tait, Jaxon Watson, Indi Mcardle, Lachy Fletcher, Thomas Fletcher, Remy Glen. **February**—Rylie O'Brien, Kiara Allford, Piper Marr, Jake Nystrom, Hunter Bailey.



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.



School Photos— Monday 21st February

All photo orders will be completed online this year. You will need to log onto the Leading Image website and use the access key to place your order.

You must complete your order for family/sibling photos prior to the day (21st Feb) so that the photographer knows to take the family photo.

All class and individual students will have their photo taken on the day so individual photos may be ordered after the 21st Feb. Ordering beforehand may be a better idea though.

ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year. Choose your own **FREE** background



- The benefits of being online...**
- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
 - No cash on school grounds or children's bags
 - Easy order tracking and record keeping
 - 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

Red Cliffs East Primary School - 2022
www.leadingimage.com.au

Access Key QVA2R5MX

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Select your State
- 4 Enter your special unique Access Key

Warning: Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30 pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.



Prep/1 and Gr 5/6 Buddies Meet And Greet

On **Friday 18th February**, we are inviting the parents from the Prep class to come along and meet their child's Grade 5/6 buddy. We feel it would be great for the parents to get to know the special Grade 5/6 person who will play an important part in your child's year at school.

At **2.45pm** the Preps and the Grade 5/6 will combine to meet the Prep's parents. It is an informal meeting but one where the parents can put a face to this new buddy. We encourage parents of the Preps to come to school a little earlier at pick up time to meet one of our fantastic older students.





Continuation of FREE trial.

We are offering a continuation of free trial.

You must have completed and returned an enrolment form in order to attend.

Come along and try the OSCH program.

Outside Of School Hours Care (OSHC)

We have had a number of students starting to use the OSHC program.

The students attending the program have been indulging in afternoon tea before starting a number of different fun activities. They have been playing basketball, having a hit of tennis, completing some art activities and spending time playing a variety of board games. All the students are having a great time.

We look forward to seeing more students come along in Term 4.

Enrolment forms are available from the school office. Students cannot attend without a completed form returned to the office.

OSHC is up and running again.

Students must be booked in through the office and have enrolment forms completed before they can attend.

Book Club

Book Club order forms were given to students today. If you would like to place an order please return order and payment to the office by **Tuesday 15th February**.

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.**

COMPASS

As you know we use the COMPASS platform for our major form of communication with our community. Please ensure you have downloaded the APP onto your phone so that you can receive notifications. If you are having issues with your login or password please contact the office so that we can reset it for you.



Bringing Up Great Kids

Bonney has coordinated with Mallee Family Care to provide a great opportunity for the parents in our school community. The 'Bringing up great kids' sessions will run over 4 weeks (Tuesday): 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th March. Being a parent is a tough job and we could all do with a bit of advice at different times. Have a read through the information below and see if it is something you would be interested in being a part of. It will be held at school from 9.30 to 11.30 on each day.

To register your interest simply contact the school by phone or catch up with Bonney before or after school



Overview

Bringing Up Great Kids is a reflective, mindful, respectful program that provides parents with an opportunity to reflect on their parenting journey.

Bringing Up Great Kids provides a friendly and safe environment for parents to learn from each other as they continue their parenting journey.

Program Content

The Bringing Up Great Kids' program supports parents and carers to:

- learn more about the origins of their own parenting style and how it can be more effective;
- identify the important messages they want to convey to their children and how to achieve this;
- learn more about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings and behaviour;
- understand the meaning behind children's behaviours, and how to respond to children's underlying feelings and needs;
- explore new ways of communicating with children;
- discover ways for parents to take care of themselves and to find support when they need it.

Mallee Family Care provide both face to face and online sessions over four weeks consisting of two hours of interactive and reflective engagement of participants.

To register your interest contact Mallee Family Care on 1300 667 382