



The Weekly News

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What	When
The BEAT—Grade 6	Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th August
Mini Olympics	Thursday 27th August
Book week parade and activities	Friday 28th August
Father's Day stall	Friday 4th September
Prep and Gr 1/2 swimming week	Monday 7th to Friday 11th September
School Council meeting 7.30am	Tuesday 8th September
Gr 4/5 and Gr 6 Mungo excursion	Wednesday 9th September
Last day Term 3—2.15pm dismissal	Friday 18th September

"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.

Contact School Council: rceps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com

No Assembly Tomorrow

The Beat – Lights! Camera! Action! - Next week!!

Parents of the Grade 6 students looking to attend any of these performances will need to purchase tickets from the Art Centre.

If grade 6 students are staying after their own performance to watch other parts of the show, they will need a ticket to enter the theatre.

We will be taking all the students from school to watch the performances on Wednesday (matinee) 26th August.

Performances

7pm on Tuesday 25th August 2026 (our students are performing in the second half/second act)

11am and 7pm on Wednesday 26th August 2026

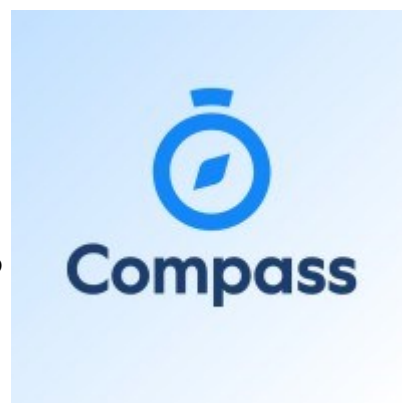
(evening performance the students are performing in the first half/first act).



Important information for parents

Parents you will need to log onto COMPASS where you will find a box notifying you that you have a task to perform. The permission for your child to attend the BEAT performance on the 26th August will be done electronically on COMPASS. Your child will not receive a paper note to be signed and returned. We are trialling using COMPASS for permission. This will become a regular way for us to get permission for excursions etc.

If you are having any concerns with completing this process, please contact the school for support.



Birthdays: Mason Glen, Cooper Gerloff.



Class Awards:

Prep: Mea Mikec for being self-motivated in our classroom! You always make sure that you are organised for your learning by getting to the floor quickly and sitting in a spot that is best for you to concentrate. You focus on the task until you get it done. Well done Mea!

Grade 1/2: Riley Chandler for being an inquisitive learner in our classroom. You are always making thoughtful connections between what we are learning and things you have learnt before. You have a wonderful ability to notice when ideas link together and you confidently share these connections with your teachers and the class. Keep up the fantastic effort Riley, you should feel very proud!

Grade 2/3: Norah Marr for being an inquisitive and active learner. Norah, you have displayed genuine interest in our learning by asking thoughtful questions during class discussions and being willing to try new strategies. You have shown great focus when working independently and have displayed resilience when working through challenges. Your positive attitude and commitment to always try your best is inspiring. Keep up the amazing effort, we are very proud of you!

Grade 3/4: John Borlase for being an Active Learner. John, it has been fantastic to hear your contributions during our class novel discussions. You have made thoughtful connections between the characters and the plot, demonstrating a deep understanding of how the story unfolds. You have also shown excellent vocabulary knowledge, particularly when exploring a text set in medieval times, where kings and queens ruled over kingdoms. Well done John, and keep up the fantastic work!

Grade 4/5: Baylea Smith for being an active learner. The class and I love the way you are always involved in our classroom conversations. You participate respectfully by listening to others and putting your hand up to contribute your own ideas. Thank you for being an active member of our class and sharing your thinking with us. Keep it up!

Grade 6: Cooper Gerloff for showing courage, confidence and determination during our BEAT dance practice. You were brave enough to step outside your comfort zone, keep practising and give the dance your best effort. Your willingness to have a go, even when it felt challenging is something to be proud of. Keep being brave, keep dancing and keep believing in yourself! Congratulations Cooper!

Book Week

It is Book Week month, and our celebrations are happening on **Friday, August 28th**. This year the theme is *Symphony of Stories!* Staff have been busy planning some fantastic activities based on quality picture story books, so it is sure to be a fun day.

As always, students will have the opportunity to dress up as one of their favourite book characters. We are always impressed by the costumes everyone wears, whether they be recycled from last year, or something a little different. Students have already created a poster of their favourite book character, which will be on display on the basketball court, where our 9am Book Week Parade takes place.

Here are some examples of costumes from previous years. You may recognise some ex students, or even current students, just a little younger.



Swimming

All students will have the opportunity to attend swimming lessons at the First Stroke Swimming complex. The lessons will be 30 minutes in duration for all year levels this year. The lessons will be conducted by trained swimming instructors.

This year we will be conducting the program over two weeks.

Dates for the programs:

Monday 7th to Friday 11th September – **Prep & Gr 1/2**

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October – **Gr 2/3, Gr 3/4, Gr 4/5 and Gr 6**

The lessons will be conducted in two parts so while your child is not swimming they will have something to keep them busy at the pool.

Please send extra food with the students each swimming day as their appetite seems to increase with the extra exercise.

Please return the Medical Information sheet and permission notes given to students today.



After School Care

Enjoying the Outdoors at After School Care

We have had another wonderful week at **Red Cliffs East Primary School After School Care**, with the children making the most of the outdoor spaces and enjoying plenty of fresh air and active play.

Tennis and basketball have been particularly popular this week, with lots of friendly games, practising skills and plenty of team work. It has been fantastic to see the children getting involved, encouraging one another and having fun together.

Father's Day Gifts Coming Up!

Next week, we will be turning our attention to creating some **special Father's Day gifts**. The children will have the opportunity to get creative and make something thoughtful to take home for their dads or a special person in their lives. We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful and creative ideas the children come up with!

We hope everyone has a fantastic week ahead!



2027 Prep Enrolments

Parents, feel free to phone the school for a tour and a chat. Also, if you are planning to enrol your child into Prep for 2027, enrolment forms are available from the office.

We need all enrolment forms in as soon as possible.



School Athletics

Last week's Athletics sports was a great day. The students competed and gave their all in each event. Thank you to all the community who turned out to support the students. Your encouragement is always valued and appreciated.

Well done to the age group champions.

McLennon came away with the house win for the first time in quite a while.

Well done team!!

A special thankyou to the RCSC students who came along to lend a hand. They all did such a great job.

Age group champions

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
5/6 Years	Sylvie Cameron	Oliver Young
7 Years	Ruby Hernandez	Frederick Dawson
8 Years	Azna Hernandez	Henley Nelson
9 Years	Camryn Spencer	Mason Glen
10 Years	Remy Glen	Sonny Glen
11 Years	Piper Marr	Nate Wright
12+ Years	Ella Englefield	Henry Marinucci

1st	Taylor
2nd	Ryan
3rd	McLennon
4th	Byrne



Garden Bed Project

Over the past week we have been working hard to construct 4 garden beds for a project for a couple of our students. Learning can look so different for students. This project is going to help a few of our students engage with a variety of learning using the garden beds. But it all needs to start with putting them together.

Sue, Kody and Mason made a start at putting them together, and then with the help of Jhy (Kody's Dad) it all came together. We would like to give a really big thankyou to Jhy for giving us his time and expertise (as well as machinery to put the soil in the beds). It has been wonderful seeing the two boys working closely with the adults to construct the beds, all ready for planting.

