



# THE WEEKLY NEWS

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What	When
Student's last day—3.15pm dismissal	Thursday 18th December
Staff last day—pupil free day	Friday 19th December
Staff return for 2026	Tuesday 27th January
Students return to school 2026	Wednesday 28th January
School photos	Monday 16th February

## "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](mailto:rceps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com)

No assembly this week

## End Of Year Presentation Night

On Tuesday night we had the pleasure of hosting our community at our annual presentation night at Barclay Square.

Once again our community turned out to support the students. It is always so wonderful seeing our extended school community all in one place together.

During the evening we had award winners announced. Congratulations to the following recipients of awards:

*Lions Club of Red Cliffs Encouragement award— Maddison Stone & Jed Nystrom*

*Red Cliffs Rotary Club Academic Encouragement award— James Hensgen & Toby Searle*

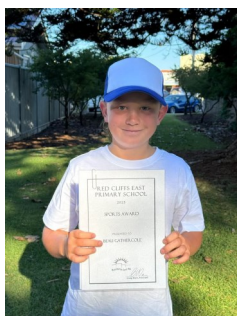
*School Pride award—Leni Beasley*

*Red Cliffs East Sports award—Beau Gathercole*

*Liz Milne Arts award—Zoey Hocking*

*Red Cliffs East Staff Community Appreciation Award— Mia Alchin*

*Jan Male Academic Achievement award—Oli Minter*



**Birthdays:** Jed Nystrom, Walter Henderson, Zoe Pittaway, Kody Trinne, Henry Glen, Oliver Minter, Isabelle Vincent



### Grade 6 Graduation

And that is the end of primary school for 17 wonderful young people.

Last Thursday night we helped the Grade 6 Graduate at the Red Cliffs FNC social rooms. It was a great night highlighted by the personal and wonderfully written graduation speeches. Each of the students presented themselves on the night maturely and with a real sense of purpose.

We had a large group of parents, grand parents and family friends in attendance, all there to support the students.

As a school we would like to thank these Grade 6 students for everything they have contributed to our school during their time with us. We all look forward to hearing about the future successes that each of these students will no doubt achieve.



### 2026 School Leaders

On Tuesday at the presentation night, our current school leaders had the privilege of announcing the 2026 school leaders to the school community.

Toby and Mia read out the following names:

Rylie O'Brien

Jed Nystrom

These two students are worthy recipients of School Leaders for 2026. Students, staff and parents were all eligible to vote, which provides us with a real cross section of our community.



## Student end of year reports

Student's reports will be live on COMPASS this afternoon.





Holiday fun!!!



#### Class awards:

**Prep: The Incredible Prep Class** for having the most amazing year of growth, curiosity and kindness! From learning how to read their very first words to becoming confident mathematicians, creative thinkers and wonderful friends. They have shown resilience, joy and a genuine love of learning every single day! Prep, we are so proud of how far you've come—congratulations on an outstanding year!

**Grade 1: Xavier Heeman** for being an inquisitive learner in our classroom. You ask thoughtful questions, share your thinking and offer your ideas in discussions, and you are always open to learning new things. Your curiosity helps you grow each day and encourages others to think more deeply too. Well done!

**Grade 2/3: Azna Hernandez** for the effort you have been putting into learning our class dance. You have displayed bravery and enthusiasm. You continually display a willingness to step outside your comfort zone and always give your best effort. Well done Azna we are so proud of you.

**Grade 3/4: Maylana Anderson** for the self-motivation you have shown throughout the year. Maylana, you have grown tremendously as a learner. It has been wonderful to see your confidence flourish as your knowledge and understanding have developed. You should feel extremely proud of yourself. You will be dearly missed at Red Cliffs East, as you bring a smile to everyone around you. We wish you nothing but the very best next year and beyond.

**Grade 4/5: River Gowers** for showing wonderful resilience in all your learning tasks. You approach challenges with such a positive attitude and never hesitate to try your best. You are also a caring and supportive classmate who treats everyone with kindness and respect. We are so lucky to have your gentle, friendly nature in our classroom each day. Congratulations River, keep up the great work! **Sefton Lanyon** for being a wonderfully self-motivated learner. You focus on your own goals, work responsibly and take pride in doing your personal best each day. Congratulations Sefton—your hard work and dedication truly shine!

**Grade 5/6: Cooper Allford** for being brave and reflective while writing your graduation speech. Cooper, you were able to write an honest reflection on your 7 years of schooling at Red Cliffs East Primary school. You took on feedback from your teachers and peers to revise your speech to make it the best it could be. Well done!

## Important Dates This Terms

Last day of school for students  
18th December—3.15pm dismissal  
Pupil free day  
19th December

### After School Care

Good afternoon families,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our After School Care families for your ongoing support for yet another great year. Without your constant support we would not be able to operate this service at the high level that we do. Thank you.

The last few days we have been busy baking Christmas biscuits. We hope that some have made it home for you to try. No guarantees on that.

Please be advised that the last Invoices will go out Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December and we would appreciate it if they could be paid before the new year starts.

We wish you a Merry Christmas surrounded by your loved ones, a great start into the new year and we can't wait to see you all back next year. We hope that Santa will come to all the children and adults as well. Enjoy a well-deserved Christmas break.

Thank you, Alina



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