**Principal’s Report:**

**Welcome:**
On behalf of all at Red Cliffs Primary School I welcome the following new students and their families to our great school—Anthony Warby (gr.1); Lakira (gr.1) and Shonomique Wighton (gr.2); Murphy (gr.4) and Zoe Briggs (gr.2).

**Student Leaders:**
Parents and students are reminded Mr. Peter Crisp, M.L.A. for Mildura, will present the 2016 School and House Captains and Junior School Council members with their badges at next Monday’s assembly.
Parents, grand-parents and community members are warmly invited to attend.

**Scholastic Book Club**
Book Club catalogues will be sent home with your child next Monday, 15th February. If you wish to make a purchase, you can order online at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or you can return an order form (found inside each catalogue) and cash to school in a clearly named envelope.
All orders must be placed by Friday, 19th February. Your purchases earn points for our school that we use to buy great resources for your children.

**Thank you,**
Steph Knyvett

**Meet the Teacher:**
It was fantastic to see such a large number of students and their families at school yesterday afternoon.
Most of our ‘new families’ and many of our existing families took the opportunity to meet their child’s teacher.
The sausage sizzle was very popular with staff, students and visitors.

**Nut Free School:**
Parents and students are reminded Red Cliffs Primary is a nut free school. I ask for cooperation in this very important matter.

**School Council:**
The first School Council meeting for 2016 will be held tonight, commencing at 6.30 p.m.
Members unable to attend are asked to contact me as soon as possible.

**Homework Club:**
Mrs Craig is again running a “Homework Club” this year.
Breakfast and fruit will be provided for all who attend.

**When:** Thursday
**Time:** 8:30 – 8:55am
**Where:** Mrs Craig’s room
**What to bring:** Homework book, pencil, FAB book.

**School Materials Charge:**
The 2016 School Material Charge is $130 per student.
This charge helps to pay for consumables such as pencils, pens and photocopying. It also pays for all local excursions and visiting performances.
All parents are asked to pay the School Materials Charge by the end of Term 1.
The school will happily accept regular part-payment of the School Materials Charge.
The School Materials Charge only applies to a maximum of two children per family.

Rod Beer
Principal

NB: Parents are reminded the Wednesday Sausage Sizzle does not start until next term...
**Stars of the Week**

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**Parent Club News:**
The Uniform Room will be open every Monday from 2.45 p.m. to 3.15 p.m. and every Wednesday from 8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. Uniform orders can be placed anytime at the office and will be completed on Monday and Wednesdays.

**Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club**
Red Cliffs Junior tennis has resumed and we are encouraging all interested players and junior members to join us on a Saturday morning from 9am for section play. Beginner coaching every Saturday 9-10am @ $7 per child {Just turn up} Tena Williams: Junior Coordinator 0437809206. We are also offering an introduction to tennis through the “Hot Shots” program on a Tuesday from 4-5pm. Interested children will learn all the basics of tennis through to scoring and playing a game in a fun environment @ $10 per child. Contact Lisa Hill 0400726824 for further information.

**Great Behaviour in the Yard:**
Congratulations to Dylan Douglas (gr.5), Blake McDonald (gr.6) and Ruby Mayger-Pollock (gr.2) for their Great Behaviour in the Yard this week. Enjoy those free Great Australian Ice Creams kids.

**This Week’s Birthdays……**
- Sam Staley 6 Sunday 14th Feb.
- Xander Morrison 10 Sunday 14th Feb.
- Emrich Tree 9 Sunday 14th Feb.
- Vada Tree 9 Sunday 14th Feb.
- Benjamin Sharp 7 Monday 15th Feb.
- Brocklyn Munro 8 Friday 19th Feb.
- Jemmika Douglas 10 Saturday 20th Feb.
The Senior grades have been completing F.A.B. again this year. They read a novel/chapter book to the end every week or two. They have also completed fantastic jottings (ideas about their reading) and always do a great job sharing their ideas and thoughts every Wednesday morning!

Holly and Ebony with their F.A.B. novels and books!

Eli sharing his FAB work with Kordie

Friends and Books

Well done Mrs. McCarthy & Jaylee!

Bree and Nikki-Lee showing their new F.A.B. Rat books.

Jazmin and Jemmika using their FAB Bookmarks!

Charli loves her F.A.B.!
Red Cliffs Primary School has been working with Healthy Together Mildura to develop a new RIDE and STRIDE zone, to be piloted this year.

What are they?
RIDE and STRIDE zones are a place away from the school where parents can safely drop off and pick up their children at specific times of the day. Children walk or ride the short distance to and from school, together with other students also using the zone.

Note: We do not encourage unsupervised riding for children under 10 years of age.

The first zone to be trialled will soon be installed at Jamieson Ave, in front of the Library. Students will walk or ride along the footpath to the school crossing near Murray Ave. Keep a look out for the sign.

Zone times
Drop Off: 8.30-8.50am
Pick up: 3.20-3.40pm

Why are we trialling these zones?
- Improve student safety by reducing traffic congestion in school zones.
- Promote increased physical activity for children.

Please note that the RIDE and STRIDE zones will not be manned and it is important they are only used during the designated times. We welcome any parent feedback on the development of this project and other ideas on how we can encourage safe active travel to and from school.