# **Bute Early Learning & Primary School News**

Week 2, Term 3 3rd August, 2023



Growth

Respect

Integrity

**Teamwork** 

#### **Diary Dates**

4/8-NYP Basketball

7/8/23—Bullying Performance WMPS

14-18/8—Science Week

16/8—Science Week Movie Night

18/8—Assembly

21-25/8—Book Week

23/8/23—Book Week Parade

#### Reminders

Breakfast Club is held Daily.

Newsletters will be fortnightly

Students are required to wear broad brimmed hat this term.

We are a **NUT FREE** school

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# From the Principal's Desk

## Welcome Back - Term 3

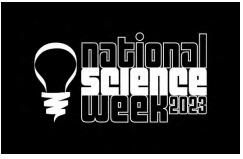
A very warm welcome to Term 3. This term is shaping as a very busy term with many great learning experiences and events in store for our students. This term we welcome back Pauline McCormack who will resume a finance / administrative role on Mondays and extend a welcome to Jon Sharp who will be the Junior Primary teacher across Tuesday – Thursday whilst Meredith is on Long Service Leave. Jon and his partner Steph have very recently welcomed their second daughter into the world. All of us at BELPS wish their little family all the best during this very special time in their lives. As I mentioned, we have many wonderful



learning experiences in store for this term, so keep an eye out for our beautiful school mini-bus as we continue to build connections with our neighbouring schools and provide authentic learning experiences throughout our local community and beyond!

# Science Week 2023

National Science Week is Australia's annual celebration of science and technology during the week of 12 - 20 August (Week 4). We absolutely LOVE Science Week at Bute and over the last few years we have worked hard to make Science Week a memorable event! And this year will be no different! The staff have been busily organising some fantastic experiences for our students around the 2023 theme





"Innovation: Powering Future Generations". Leading up to and throughout Science Week, students will learn about the concept of innovation and futures thinking and how modern day innovations have greatly shaped the way we live our everyday lives.

As a part of this learning, we are partnering with an educational organisation called Makers Empire. Makers Empire provides primary, elementary and middle school teachers with the tools, skills and resources to improve STEM learning outcomes for students and engage students in authentic, real-world problem solving. Throughout Term 3, we are working through a managed school pilot project focused on "Sustainable Communities". This project equips students with a range of 3D design skills and will culminate in students using a 3D printer to print their final design ideas. We have hired a 3D printer for

the term to enable this amazing experience for our students. This will also allow us to see firsthand if acquiring a 3D printer is something that would be a good educational fit for the students at Bute.

On the Friday of Week 4 (18<sup>th</sup> of August), we will be having an open morning / Assembly to showcase some of this learning to our families. More details will be distributed closer to this date

## Book Week 2023

Book Week is quickly approaching! This year the theme is - Read, Grow, Inspire!

We will be having our Book Week Parade on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of August (Week 5). All Rural Care, Preschool and School students are invited to wear a costume that fits the 2023 theme or a costume of their favourite book character. We are endeavouring to do a Bute township parade and shared reading morning in the park, similar to previous years.

More details to be advised in the near future!



## Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) takes place every year in August. The NCCD is a collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment or 'additional support' due to disability and the level of

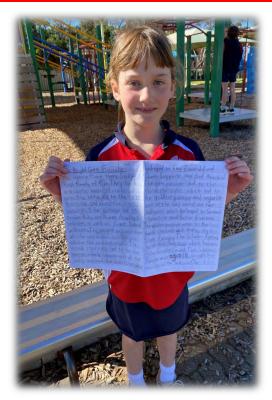


adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students. A fact sheet is included with the newsletter for reference, however, there is no action required by families.

# **Congratulations**



Deb Taylor completed her Certificate IV in School Based Education support. The course covered working with children with additional needs with a higher level of responsibility or autonomy.



On behalf of SAETA and the Writers Young Award committee, I would like to thank you for entering in this year's Young Writers Award Competition and congratulate you again on being selected as a finalist. Unfortunately, you did not win a place this year, but according to our judge, author Sean Williams, the quality of writing was exceptional, and it was a close competition which made his job very challenging!

We encourage you to keep writing and look forward to seeing your entry again in next year's Young Writers Award Competition!

Florence Trengove with her Royal Gem Family story which was entered in the Yr 2/3 Prose Young Writers Award 2023.

## **Gold Pass**



Lochie Bernhardt for his film strip summary of 'Kumiko and the Dragon' as part of the English Curriculum



Eddie Trengove for his fabulous spelling list sentences.

# The Resilience Project



### **Parents & Carers**

Over the last few years The Resilience Project has been very lucky to partner with Culture is Life to enrich the wellbeing resources we provide to our schools, by incorporating First Nations knowledge and perspectives to wellbeing.

We believe that, as Australians, we all have so much to learn from the longest surviving culture in the world.

Your children may come home and talk about some of these **First**Nations wellbeing perspectives that are integrated into our curriculum.

We thought it would be a good idea to share some similar ways you could practise **Gratitude**, **Empathy** and **Mindfulness** (GEM) at home.

# Culture is Life

Culture is Life is an Aboriginal-led
Not-For-Profit organisation who
believe that all Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander young people
have the right to thrive and flourish;
strong in knowing who they are,
where they come from and who
they are connected to.

#### Gratitude

You could show **gratitude** for the land that you live on and **research your local area** (most local councils have a dedicated webpage for this). You could find the following information:

- What lands are you living on?
- What is the native language?
- What are the native plants?
- · What native wildlife is in your area?
- What First Nations land are your family and extended family living on across Australia?



Scan the QR code to see a map of Indigenous Australia.

#### **Empathy**

As a family you could sit in a **yarning circle** while having a conversation, and discuss the GEM question prompts below. This helps to practise **empathy** by respecting each other, taking turns and listening to everyone's ideas.

- · What are three things that went well for you today?
- What is something that made you smile or laugh today?
- What kind acts have you noticed today?
- What is something kind you can do for someone this week? Think about who you might do this kind act for and when you could do this.

Yarning circles are a harmonious, creative and collaborative way to communicate. This is a place to talk, share, discuss, educate and have a yarn together. It is a place to build healthy and respectful relationships. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have been using yarning circles for thousands of years.

#### Mindfulness

**Dadirri** is an Indigenous term for **mindfulness**. It involves deep listening, bringing awareness to what is around you and focusing on your breathing. You could do this outside on Country by listening to the sounds of nature.

Check out **Dr. Paul Callaghan's** imperfects podcast episode where he shares a lot of wisdom that he has accrued over a lifetime of wins, losses and even a near death experience that changed his life forever. Connecting to Country is what help him through.



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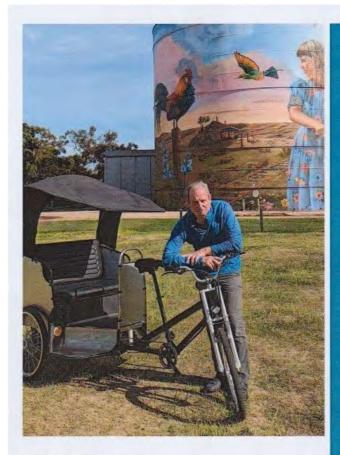






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# **Community Notices**



### 17 SEPT 2023 12HR WORLD RECORD

How far will one man (and a rickshaw) go?

The aim is to be the person that rides a pedal powered rickshaw the greatest distance in twelve hours.

Contact Nigel or Liz Barker to secure your time slot.

Let's get Bute in the Record Books!

#### World Record Volunteers Needed!

Martin St BUTE

7.00am – 7.00pm Sunday September 17

Looking for official witnesses/lap counters to each work a 1hr section of the day.

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