



Bute Early Learning & Primary School

Growth Respect Integrity Teamwork

Week 8 Term 1 2026

Diary Dates

Week 9

27/3 School Captain Induction Assembly

Week 10

30/3 Minori Sensei Visit

31/3 UP - GRIP Leadership

1/4 School Photo Day
-Remember to pack you SMILE!

2/4 World Autism Awareness Day

3/4 Easter Public Holiday

Week 11

6/4 Easter Public Holiday

Reminders

- Students are not to be on site until 8.30am. There is no supervision until then.
- **Breakfast Club** is held daily.
- **Newsletters** will be fortnightly.
- We are a **NUT FREE** school.
- Students are required to wear **broad brimmed** when the UV rating is 3 & above.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

OUR "REAL SCHOOLS" PARTNERSHIP

Recently our staff committed to partnering with Real Schools Australia to strengthen our already strong school culture...namely our amazing "Bute Way" of teaching, learning and growing together. Below is a welcome message from Real Schools outlining what this partnership will involve and why it is a great fit for our site.

A warm greeting to all our parents and carers. We're thrilled to share some really exciting news with you. Your school has made the important decision to partner with us at Real Schools and what we're doing in this article is sharing some of what this exciting journey is going to be about.

When we work with schools our job is to walk alongside staff, students and the parent/carer community to enhance all the great things that are already happening in the school. And when we've been talking to your school leaders recently there's already so many amazing things that happen across your school community. What this partnership will do is further elevate that work. But there's also some things that we'll be focussing on that will help us develop the culture at your school.

And that's about how we work together with the key stakeholders in the school - our staff, our students and our parent/carer community. The way that we're going to do this work together is through what we call our partnership model. The partnership works over a three-year period and every year we'll be supporting your whole school community to be able to get the gains that you want and of course deserve.

In each year of partnership, we will facilitate a professional learning day with all your incredible staff. There will then be an in-class support day where we will be in your classrooms modelling, co-teaching and providing feedback to your amazing teachers.

Additionally, we want parents on this journey as well, so each year we facilitate a parent information session, along with articles, newsletter inserts, short videos and social media posts to keep you up to date with the partnership journey. These are designed to build your understanding of the great work that your school will be doing to support and guide our most precious resource - your children - but also to provide practical tips for parents to utilise in the home environment.

Now, you may be asking what is the focus of this work? Well, it's around building a restorative school community through a framework our CEO and Founder Adam Voigt has designed which is called RP2.0. We're going to unpack this further in future articles, but just to give you a little taste, restorative practices are about explicitly focussing on building strong relationships with all our stakeholders (staff, students and parents) across our school and leveraging those relationships for amazing things to happen in terms of not only the social-emotional development of your child, but also in terms of their learning outcomes.

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In addition to that, what we want to do through this partnership is help your child to be able to take responsibility for their actions. What we all want is for them to grow into great citizens who put back into their community. We do all of this by working restoratively which, when an incident occurs, allows a focus on the harm that may have been caused, the damage that may have resulted to the relationship to be repaired, and then, focusing on moving forward in a harmonious and supportive environment.

So it's an exciting journey that we've got in front of us. We look forward to working with you as this journey unfolds.



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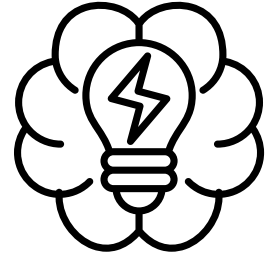
SPORTS DAY 2026



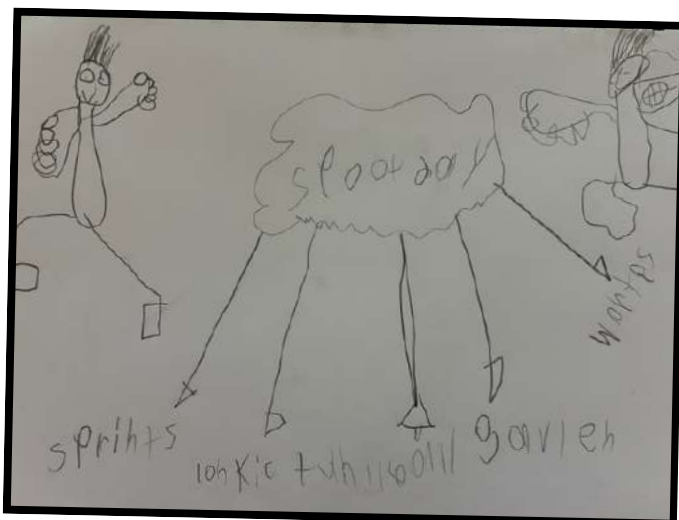
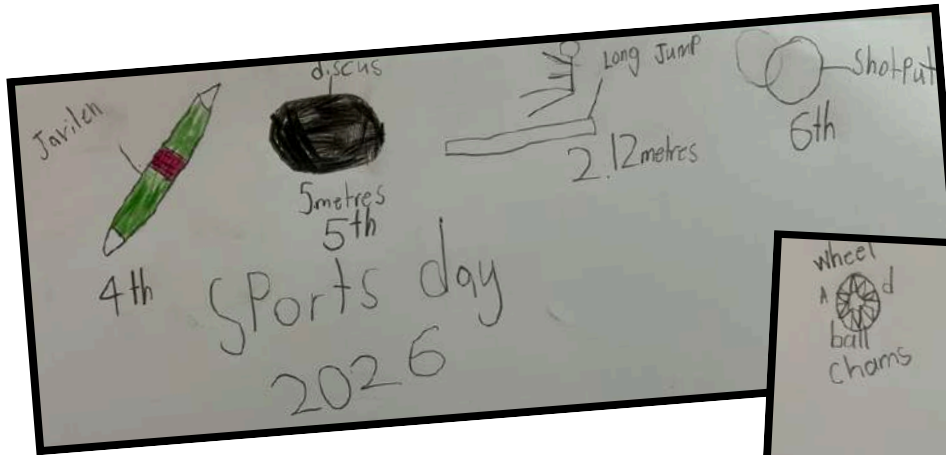


UPPER PRIMARY

We have been working hard in Alpha Writing to have growth in the quantity and quality of our 20minute uninterrupted writing sessions. We use Mindfulness time to brainstorm ideas and plan our writing.



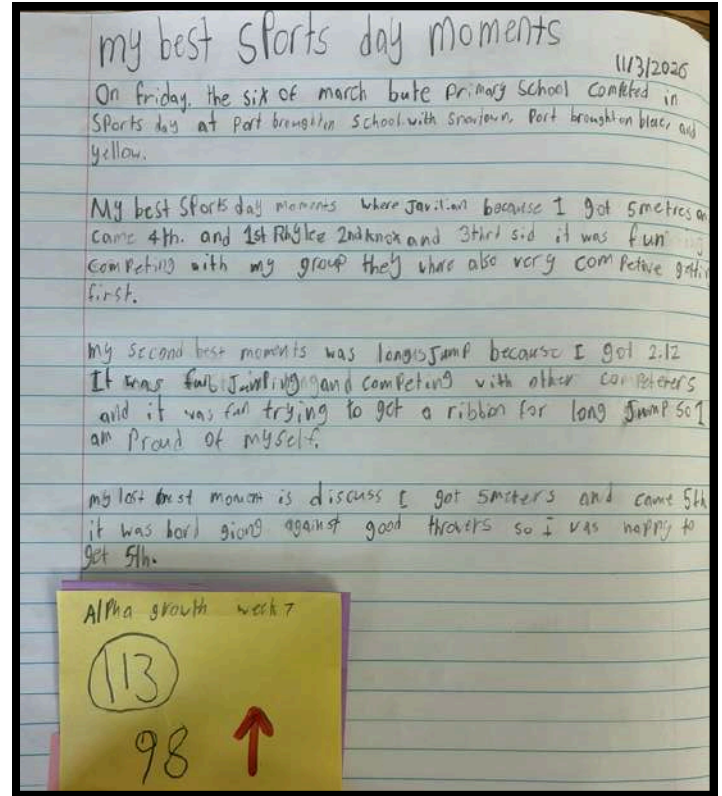
Mindful Brainstorm



UPPER PRIMARY

OUR BASE LINE RECOUNTS IN WEEK ONE WERE TWO TRUTHS AND A LIE ABOUT THE HOLIDAYS AND WE ARE USING THEM TO CALCULATE AND RECOGNISE OUR WRITING GROWTH. IN WEEK 7 WE USED FEEDBACK TO TRY IMPROVE OUR RECOUNT WRITING BY RECOUNTING "MY BEST SPORTS DAY MOMENT/S."

CHECK OUT LOCHIE'S GROWTH!



Alpha Writing: Recounts

My Best Sport Day Moments :)
By Mailee

On the 6th of March 2026 we competed against Snowtown and Port Broughton. My favourite moments were the Team Games and competing with Marinda in my U11 Girls group.

Marinda and I met a new friend her name was Ruby. She was really kind and supportive. We all did shot put, vortex, sprints, long jump and 600m sprints together.

It was so much fun, I really hope I get first place in all events next year.

SPORTSDAY 2026

On Sports day we did Long jump, Long throw, Long run, Long distance, Sprints and Shot put. We had to compete against Snowtown, Port Broughton Gold and Port Broughton Blue. It was hard but we gave it our best. Bute came last but we had fun and that's all that matters!

By Jasper

On Friday at Sports Day I won my first ribbon, it was 2nd place for Tunnel Ball. My favourite event was Shot Put because I was good at pushing the 2kg ball through the air. I was not that good at long jump but I did my best. I really liked doing Tunnel Ball.

BY TESSIE

UPPER PRIMARY



Alpha Writing: Recounts

MY BEST SPORTS DAY MOMENTS

By Eddie

On Friday the sixth of March we versed Snowtown and Pt Broughton at Sports Day. My best moment was when I did my sprints.

I did my personal best during the 80m race and got a first place ribbon. I also enjoyed versing two of my friends.

My second best moment was when I did my long distant run and came third. One of my freinds came second because they over took me.

My third favourite moment was when I did wheel and ball and came first! It was a controversial win as the blue team got disqualified, giving us the blue ribbon.

I also got ribbons for long throw, tunnel ball, coner spry and relay. All up a great day of personal bests, friendly competition and the best sports Day memories!



SPORTS DAY 2026!



On Sports Day 6/3/2026. We all tried our best. We all had fun playing with the other players from Snowtown and Port Broughton.

Team Games were fun! Bute went really well and the other teams were very encougaring.

THANK YOU
GO BUTE



By Margot

11/3/2026



UPPER PRIMARY



Alpha Writing: Recounts

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SPORTS DAY 2026!

ON FRIDAY BUTE WENT TO PT BROUGHTON FOR SPORTS DAY AGAINST GOLD, BLUE AND SNOWTOWN. IT WAS A GREAT DAY I STARTED THE DAY WITH MY SPRINT FINISHING SECOND. AFTER WE GOT IN OUR GROUPS.

OUR FIRST GROUP EVENT WAS SHOT PUT, MY FIRST THROW WAS A BIT ROUGH BUT MY SECOND WAS BETTER. THE NEXT EVENT WAS LONG JUMP MY JUMPS WERE GOOD, COMING FIRST IN THAT EVENT.

AFTER WE FINISHED ALL OUR GROUP EVENTS WE HAD TEAM GAMES. WE CAME THIRD IN CORNER SPRAY, OUR BEST RESULT EVER! WE ALSO CAME SECOND IN TUNNEL BALL AND FIRST IN WHEEL AND BALL.

AT THE END OF THE DAY WE CAME FOURTH BUT I STILL HAD FUN SEEING MY FRIENDS AND CHEERING ON BUTE.



BY HENRY

My Best Sport Day Moment

By Marinda

On Friday 6th of March we competed in Sports Day. We competed against Port Broughton and Snowtown. I was in the Under 11 Girls group with Mailee, we made a friend! In our group activities we did long jump and other fun games. I enjoyed competing with Mailee and my new friends.

In my 600m race I got 1st place, I was so happy! I was pleased because I had trained hard for this day with my dad. I felt a lot of gratitude for my Dad when I received my ribbon, thanks for everything Dad!

I also got 2nd in my 80m sprint race and Bute UP got 1st in Wheel and Ball! I loved doing my personal best and meeting new and seeing old friends.



UPPER PRIMARY



Alpha Writing: Recounts

My Top 3 Sports Day Moments

On Friday, the sixth of March, Bute Primary School competed in Sports Day against Snowtown Primary School and Port Broughton Area School.

My top favourite Sports Day event was discus. I came fourth. My furthest throw was just over eleven metres. Millie came first, Indy came second, and Charlotte came third. I did my best discus throw ever!

My next favourite Sports Day event was the 200 metre sprint. I came third, Indy came second, and Millie came first. I was on the outside lane. It was a very tiring race. I almost beat Indy, but she just got me. That is the event I am most proud of, because it is the only ribbon I got that was completely mine.

My third favourite event was the relay. I was the second runner, Henry was the first, Marinda was third, and Eddie was fourth. Our team came third. I overtook all the runners in my section of the race. It was the first time I ever got chosen for the relay team as well, so it was really exciting!

Sports Day was awesome and I can't wait for next year!

By Floss



UPPER PRIMARY

Learning Pit Project: Cup Song/Game

I think I'm getting this, as I've nearly got the whole thing with the video.

On Thursdays, we've been exploring and experimenting with the range of learning tools in our "backpack" to help us when we feel stuck in the Learning Pit.

Learners bravely launched themselves into the Learning Pit while learning the Cup Game/Song! We watched videos and tutorials, discussed what it might look and feel like when we are in the pit and when we climb out of the pit, and ranked different techniques from easiest to most challenging.

There were moments of frustration, laughter, persistence and teamwork – all signs of powerful learning in action!

Once we climb out of the Learning Pit, we'll challenge ourselves to make our performance even more interesting by adding a new technique into our Cup Game/Song pattern.

We are breaking down the steps and using collaboration for feedback.

I'm using the video speed to slow down and speed up the tutorial to learn each pattern.





PCW NEWS

- **HANDS** = CARE, PROTECTION, GUIDANCE
- **HEART** = KINDNESS, EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- **CIRCLE** = SAFE AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT
- **BRIGHT COLOURS** = DIVERSITY AND JOY IN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

KIDS THAT CHOSE PCW TIME THIS MONTH!





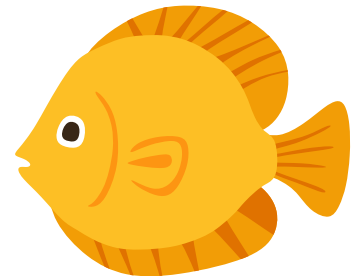
PCW NEWS



The Year 2 students have been learning important lessons about perseverance and the power of their words.

In one lesson, they heard the story of Big Shot the Little Sunfish and learned about not quitting or giving up. The students then made their own fish as a reminder to keep trying even when things are difficult.

In another lesson, the students explored how important it is to control our tongues. They tasted different foods and talked about how “volcano words” can pour out and travel far, hurting others. The class also created a circle of words, identifying things we should say to encourage others and words we should avoid.





PCW NEWS



A BIG thank you to Holly, Brett and Pieter for cutting down the tree and removing all the mulch. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Watch this space as we look forward to what's coming next in this area.



PHOTO DAY IS COMING

Your School Photo Day is on
Wednesday 1st April,
2026

Bute Early Learning & Primary School HOW TO ORDER

If you have previously ordered with us, please sign in
with your account details

Otherwise, please follow the steps below

Step 1.

Click here or go to our ordering portal

<https://buteps-sa.msp.photos>

Step 2.

Click 'Sign in with Student Details'

Online ordering closes

Wednesday 1st April 2026

An archive fee applies after this date

Enter your child's surname and birth-date and you are ready to
start ordering. Once logged in, you can also order for family photos.

Please note Sibling Photo orders must be placed **BEFORE** your
last photo day.

Separated parents must contact MSP directly to have their orders
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