



Bute Early Learning & Primary School

Growth Respect Integrity Teamwork

Week 4 Term 2 2026

Year 6 Beach Cleaning Excursion

Diary Dates

Week 4

22/5 Assembly @ 2:45

Week 5

25/5 Scott Rathman Student Workshop

27/5 to 3/6 Reconciliation Week

Week 6

3/6 Volunteers Morning Tea & Opening of Commemorative Area



Connecting with their coastal and marine learning, the Year 6 students travelled to Port Broughton to take part in a beach and foreshore clean-up. Students collected rubbish while learning about the importance of protecting marine environments and keeping coastlines clean. The rubbish collected during the excursion will now be used to create their Premier's STEM Challenge artwork, transforming waste into a creative display.



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 PARTNERSHIP WITH SCOTT RATHMAN

I am very excited to announce that we will be partnering with Aboriginal artist and storyteller, Scott Rathman. Our Quality Improvement Plan for the ELC for 2026 is focused on improving the teaching and learning of Aboriginal histories, cultures and languages and increasing the visibility of this work in our environments. Our collaboration and learning from Scott will be essential to doing this work authentically. We are also partnering with Scott to develop some murals in the school and ELC. He is an exceptional artist and I encourage you to check out some of his work at www.rustedtin.com. The awesome thing about working with Scott is that he workshops ideas for the artwork with the students to ensure it reflects our context and is meaningful to us. Our staff will also engage in a "What We Wonder" workshop facilitated by Scott to inspire meaningful reflection and discussion. The session will encourage curiosity, foster deeper understanding, and create space for learning about culture, reconciliation, identity, and connection.

Below is further information about Scott, sourced from his website...again I encourage everyone to check it out!

Scott Rathman was born at Loxton in South Australia's Riverland region. His families origins are from Central Australia and the Eastern Arrernte people. He is currently based in Semaphore, South Australia. He is an artist whose vibrant murals breathe life into the streets and walls of our communities. With each spray, Scott weaves a tapestry of connection between people and the land they call home.

Drawing inspiration from his rich cultural heritage and deep connection to Country, Scott's artwork tells new stories of the places we inhabit. Through his Aboriginal art murals, he invites us to see our surroundings with fresh eyes, to pause and reflect on the beauty and significance of the land beneath our feet.

Scott's murals are more than just stunning visual spectacles, they serve as bridges between cultures, inviting people of all backgrounds to engage with Aboriginal perspectives of connection. With each mural, he sparks conversations and fosters a sense of belonging and unity within our diverse community.

In Scott's hands, art becomes a powerful tool for storytelling and reconciliation, bridging the gap between past and present, tradition and innovation. His work reminds us of the importance of honouring the land and its custodians and inspires us to develop new connections and narratives that enrich our collective experience of place.

STUDENT / CHILD FREE DAY & PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Both the Public Holiday (King's Birthday - Monday, 8th of June) and Student & Child Free Day (Tuesday, 9th of June) are nearly upon us. We have aligned our Student Free Day with Kadina Memorial School to support families with children attending both sites. The Rural Care will also have a Child Free Day on this day, enabling our staff to collaborate for our first ever full site professional learning day.

The Student & Child Free Day (Tuesday, 9th of June) will be used for staff professional development, predominantly for our staff to engage in a cultural workshop with an Aboriginal artist and storyteller, Scott Rathman.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 18TH - 24TH OF MAY

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each of our wonderful volunteers for the generous way you share your time, skills, and care with our school community.

Your support makes a lasting difference to our students, staff, and families. Through your efforts, you help create a warm, welcoming, and enriching environment where everyone feels supported and valued.

From committee work and event organisation to breakfast club and the many everyday moments where you step in to lend a hand, your contributions are deeply appreciated.

We are incredibly fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers as part of our school community. Thank you sincerely for all that you do for our children and our school.








Volunteers Morning Tea & Opening of our Commemorative Area



All of our volunteers, families and community members are invited to join us in thanking our volunteers and celebrating the opening of our new commemorative area (featuring our commemorative name pavers).



Details

-  Wednesday 3rd of June
-  Bute Early Learning & Primary School
-  10:30am
-  Free morning tea provided
-  Taste the Yorke Coffee Van onsite

JOIN US





PRE SCHOOL

The Preschool children have been exploring and unpacking different aspects of our centre philosophy. Through conversations, shared reflections, and mark making, the children have been encouraged to express their perspectives about learning within our Preschool and Rural Care environment.

It has been wonderful to hear the children's ideas about what makes our learning spaces special, how they learn best, and the ways they feel connected to others within the environment. The children shared thoughts about friendship, play, nature, creativity, and helping one another, highlighting the strong sense of belonging they feel within our community.

By inviting children to contribute their voices and ideas, we are recognising them as capable and active participants in shaping our learning environment. Their reflections provide valuable insight into what is meaningful to them and help strengthen a philosophy that truly reflects the children, families, educators, and community.

Watch this space as we continue to unpack some different aspects over the next few weeks and continue to add to our display.

EYLF Connection

This experience strongly supports Outcome 1: Children have a strong sense of identity, as children were given opportunities to share their ideas, perspectives, and feelings about their learning environment. Their contributions demonstrate growing confidence and a sense of belonging within the centre community.

The experience also reflects Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world, as children actively participated in discussions about their environment and community, recognising their role within it. Through sharing ideas, listening to others, and reflecting on their experiences, children strengthened their communication and collaborative skills (Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators). This process also highlights children as capable learners and decision-makers, supporting Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners).

Why do you love coming to Preschool and Rural Care?
What do you love about the indoor/outdoor environment?



When I come in for group time
-Oscar



I like to play on the playground - Cecelia

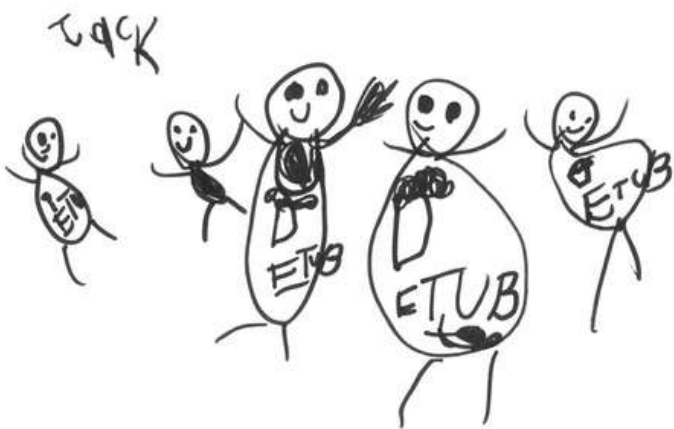


I like finding gems in stones. You have to sit on a rock and bang them on the rocks - Jack

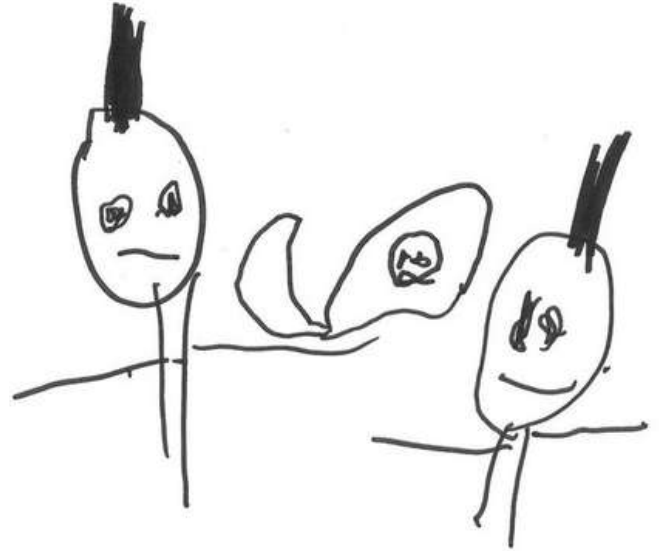


PRE SCHOOL

How do the educators help you and make you feel safe?



If you get hurt, I tell a teacher and they will tell the other person "Don't do that, it's not safe, it might hurt your friends feelings" - Jack



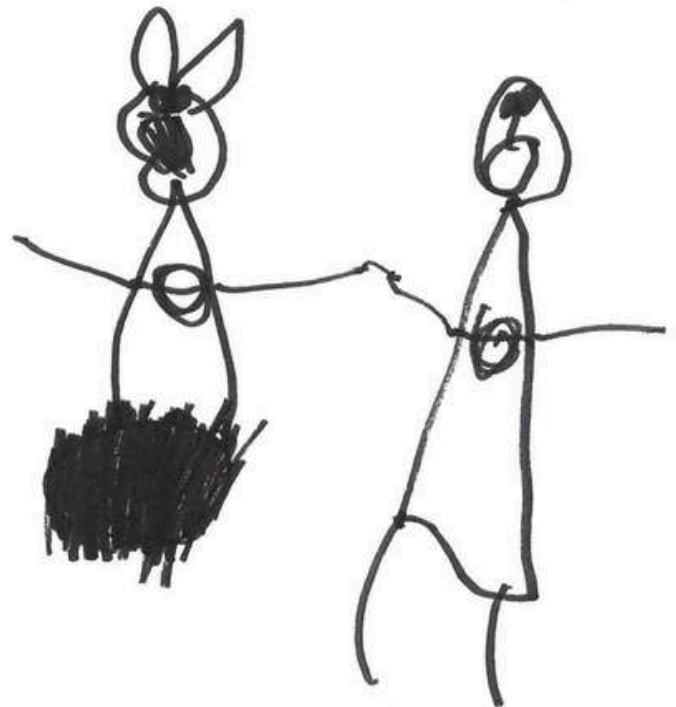
Read stories - Amelia

How do we learn about our emotions/how do educators help you with your emotions?



Love Colour Monster - Amelia

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If we fall over, they help us up and if there is a sore they put a band aid on it -Cecelia

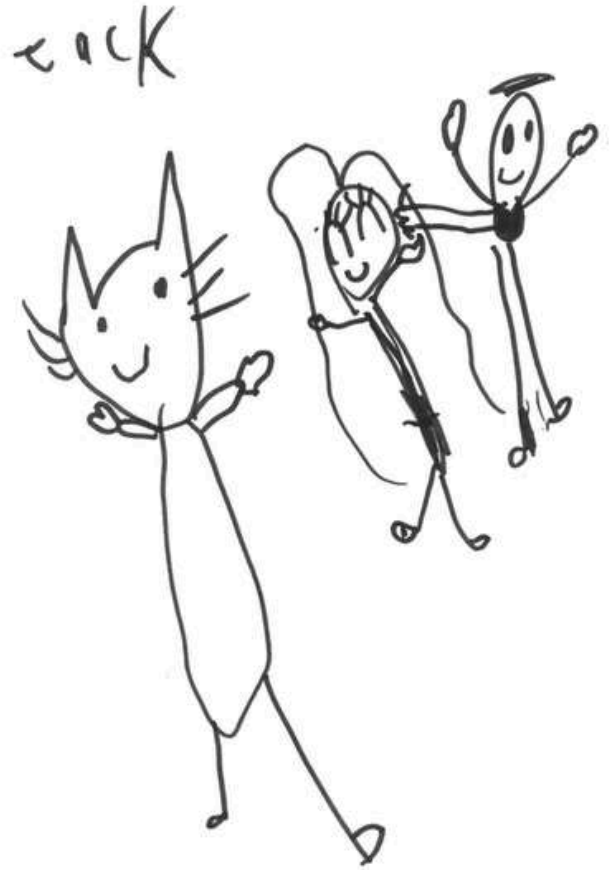


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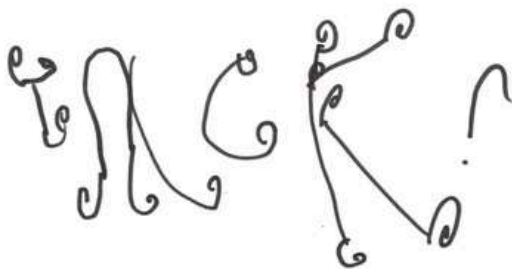
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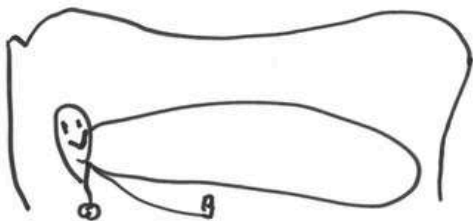
They give me a hug - Josef



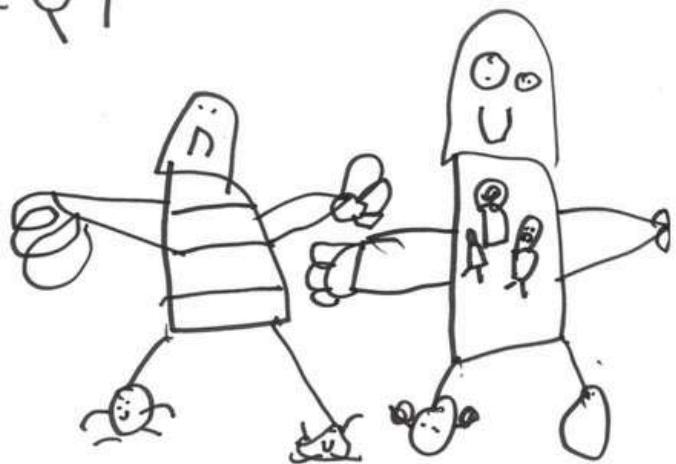
The Colour Monster. They help us to get to the pink, the green or the yellow - Jack



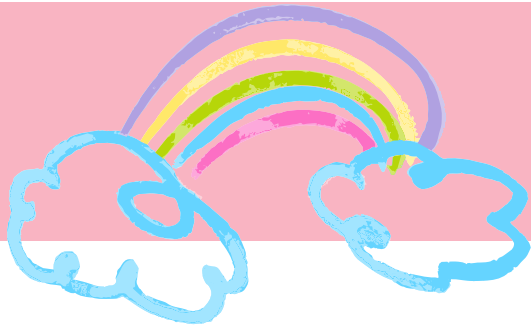
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We could make a cubby and have a rest - Jack



This is me and someone bigger helping me when I tripped because my roller skate was untied. They give me a hug then I feel happy - Oscar



PRESCHOOL NEWS

♥️ We are excited to officially share that our Preschool program will be introducing Universal 3-year-old Preschool in 2027.

♥️ Further information for families is available at:

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-for-3-year-olds>

♥️ Please pop into preschool if you would like to collect a paper registration form or if you would like any further information.



3-year-old preschool

Register now for 2027

In South Australia, 'preschool' and 'kindergarten' are the same.

Going to preschool has a big impact on your child's learning and development. Through play-based learning, your child builds important social, emotional and thinking skills to help them thrive.

How to register



1. Find your local preschool

You can use the tool on the department's website to find your local preschool. This will tell you when universal 3-year-old preschool will be available there.



2. Complete a preschool registration of interest form

You can apply online on the department's website or get a registration of interest form from your local preschool.



3. Wait for further details

If you meet eligibility requirements and your preschool can offer your child a place, you will receive an enrolment offer via email or letter from the preschool. If a place is not currently available, further information will be provided.



4. Starting preschool

Once you have accepted your offer, your preschool will provide advice on when your child can start after their third birthday.



To apply online or for more information visit [education.sa.gov.au/preschool-for-3-year-olds](https://www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-for-3-year-olds)



RURAL CARE

We had a lovely morning spent celebrating our mums, grandmas, and special female role models. Together, we decorated cupcakes and biscuits, sharing smiles, conversations, and special moments with the important women in our lives 🧁❤️

The children were excited to create and share their delicious treats, taking pride in decorating them with care and creativity. Throughout the morning, there was a wonderful sense of connection, belonging, and joy as families spent quality time together within our learning environment.

We feel incredibly lucky to have such wonderful women in our lives who support, nurture, and care for us each and every day. Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate these special relationships and create lasting memories together.

EYLF Connection

This experience supports Outcome 1: Children have a strong sense of identity, as children celebrated the important people in their lives and strengthened their sense of belonging within their family and community. The shared experience also reflects Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world, as children built positive relationships and connections between home and the learning environment. Decorating and creating together encouraged communication, creativity, and social interaction, supporting Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators).





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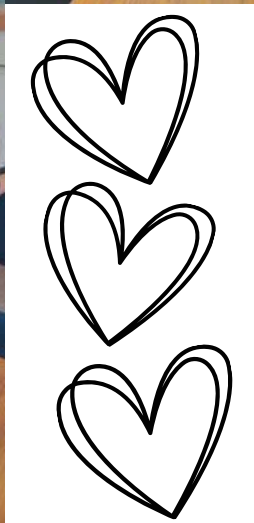
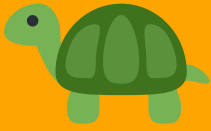
Mothers Day in

JUNIOR PRIMARY





PCW NEWS



Hi, I'm new to the Bute Family.....



PCW NEWS



Birthday Girls



As the PCW, I feel very blessed to work with students across different year levels. I have especially enjoyed spending time with the Year 2 students each week as we learn about good principles such as kindness, respect, responsibility and making good choices.



Every student is special to me in their own way, and it is wonderful to see them grow in confidence.

Learning these principles helps students build positive life skills they can use at school, at home and in their friendships.



Fairy Garden



FREE DENTAL
FOR
ELIGIBLE CHILDREN

Complete your online or paper
consent by
Friday 22nd of May

COMING SOON

WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

On-site dental care for students during school hours.



DENTAL PATROL

What's included?

- ✓ Dental check-up
- ✓ Preventive oral health treatment
- ✓ Oral health education
- ✓ Report provided to parents/guardians

CONSENT REQUIRED

Scan the Code to fill
the online consent
form



OR

Prefer a paper form?

Hard copy consent forms have been sent home and can be returned to the school office.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Margot and Marinda passed the first round of cross country trials, earning a place at the next round at Ardrossan.

Marinda placed first and Margot finished seventh. Both girls showed great effort and determination. Well done on your fantastic results!



Congratulations!

Gold Pass



Eddie, Floss, Marinda, and Henry participated in the Athletics Carnival at Kadina. Well done to all of you for your great effort and participation on the day.



Seth earned a Gold Pass for his great Alpha writing. He worked very hard and did an excellent job. His writing was clear and neat. Keep up the great work, Seth. We are proud of you!

READY FOR
THE COLDER MONTHS?

Stay warm
THIS WINTER!

SCHOOL BEANIES

ONLY
\$15
EACH



Stay warm AND SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!

LUNCH ORDER MENU
Bute Cafe 21

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY

- Fresh/Toasted Sandwiches \$7.00
- Chicken Wrap (lettuce, tomato) \$8.00
- Wrap Ham (lettuce, tomato) \$8.00
- Hot ham & cheese roll \$7.00
- Hot dog (cheese, BBQ, Tomato) \$6.00
- Ham & Cheese Roll \$6.00
- Spaghetti Bolognese \$8.00
- Sausage Roll (Tomato sauce) \$5.50
- Fruit Salad Tub \$4.00
- Crumbed Fish & salad (lettuce, tom, cues, carrot) \$8.00
- Chicken tender & salad \$8.00
- Pop Tops (apple or blackcurrant) \$3.00
- Moo Milk 375ml (Straw, Choc) \$3.00
- Water 600ml \$4.00

To place an order, call or SMS the cafe on

0499 991159.

Payment direct to the cafe or cash to the front office.

FRIDAY'S ONLY

- Fresh/Toasted Sandwiches \$7.00
- Fish & Chips (tartare or tomato sauce) \$8.50
- Chicken Nuggets/Munchies/Tenders (Tom, BBQ) \$8.00
- Potato Cakes \$2.00
- Small Chips (Tom, BBQ, Mayo) \$4.00
- Chips & Gravy \$6.00
- Hot Dog (cheese, BBQ, Tomato) \$6.00
- Pop Tops (apple or blackcurrant) \$3.00
- Moo Milk 375ml (Straw, Choc) \$3.00
- Water 600ml \$4.00

Orders
Close
each day
at 10:30am