



Bute Early Learning & Primary School

Growth Respect Integrity Teamwork

Week 6 Term 3 2026

Diary Dates

Week 7

2/9 SAPSASA Athletics in Adelaide

Week 8

7/9 School Closure Day

8/9 Student Free Day

10/9 Voice it workshop

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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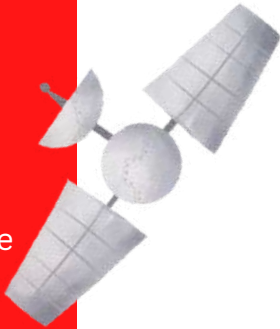
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Science Week



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RESILIENCE
PROJECT



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

REAL SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

PARENT PRACTICE ARTICLE



Less is More

THE CHEAT SHEET

1. Ask open-ended questions
2. Talk less and listen more
3. Take advantage of relaxed moments to have important conversations



Every parent wants their child to succeed in school, but challenges are a natural part of any student's educational journey. Whether it's academic difficulties, social issues, or behavioural concerns, knowing how to approach these problems can make a big difference. Here are some tips for parents on how to effectively support their children when school-related issues arise.

Ask the Right Questions

If your child has been in a big argument or fight with a friend, it's natural to want to jump in and fix things.

However, instead of leading with questions like, "Who started it?" or "Was it Max again?" take a breath and approach the conflict with curiosity. Ask open-ended questions like, "Why do you think the conflict happened?" or "What could you have done differently?" Instead of immediately trying to resolve the issue, ask, "How are you going to work this out?"

This encourages your child to think critically and take responsibility for their actions.

Talk Less, Listen More

As parents, we often feel the need to do all the talking when conflict arises, trying to fix the situation for our children. This can lead to jumping to conclusions and overshadowing the issue.

Instead, ask one of the open-ended questions above and then count slowly to eight seconds. This pause creates a space for your child to share their perspective. Often, they just want to talk it through, not necessarily ask you to step in and solve the problem.

The Car Ride

Have you noticed that children often open up more when they are in the car, on a walk, or while kicking a ball around? One reason for this is the lack of direct, interrogative eye contact, which can be intimidating. These situations provide a more relaxed environment, making it easier for your child to talk through issues. Use these opportunities to have meaningful conversations without the pressure of sitting face-to-face.

Conclusion

Navigating school challenges can be tough, but with the right approach, you can help your child overcome obstacles and thrive. Stay curious, listen more than you talk, and take advantage of relaxed moments to have important conversations. By fostering a supportive and proactive environment, you're setting your child up for success not just in school, but in life.



AUTHOR VISIT - STEPH MARCH

We kicked off Book Week in the best possible way, with a visit from local author, Steph March!

Steph was incredibly generous with her time, sharing her newly published picture book with our students and giving us a fascinating insight into the inspiration behind the story. She also spoke about the many steps involved in bringing a picture book to life – from developing an idea and writing the story, through to illustrating, editing, publishing and finally seeing the finished book in print.

Our students absolutely loved the visit and were full of questions and enthusiasm. We're sure many of our own budding authors and illustrators left the session feeling inspired to create stories of their own!

A huge thank you to Steph for taking the time to visit us and share her journey. Her beautiful new book is certainly a must-have addition to school and home libraries, and we feel very lucky to have such a talented author within our local community.



PAT READING AND PAT MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENTS

The Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT Tests) are online reading comprehension and maths assessments aligned to the Australian Curriculum. The tests are administered each year and provide teachers with information about the learning strengths and needs of their students. At Bute, we aim to have all of the relevant students tested prior to our next round of Learner Conferences to enable the results to be shared and discussed.

SCHOOL CLOSURE & STUDENT FREE DAY

In Week 8 we have both a School Closure and Student Free Day (School). We have aligned both of these days with KMS to support families with children attending both sites. The School Closure (Monday 7th of September) is to enable families to attend the Royal Adelaide Show. The Student Free Day which involves the School (Tuesday, 8th of September) will be used for staff professional learning. The Rural Care will be open and operating on both of these days

BULLYING NO WAY!

**BULLYING
NO WAY**

Learner's joined a Bullying No Way Week webinar. We were introduced to the 'Explore, Choose, Act' strategy. Students worked through a range of scenarios, discussing what was happening, considering different choices and thinking about how they could take positive action. We also explored our safety network so we know who we can go to if we ever need help to act. It was a valuable opportunity to build Learners' understanding of respectful relationships, empathy and how we can all play a role in creating a safe and supportive environment for everyone.



Bullying No Way Week

Bullying No Way Week is Australia's leading initiative for bullying prevention in schools. It's an opportunity for schools to foster a shared understanding of bullying behaviours and highlight strategies for their prevention.

**Small Acts
BIG IMPACT**

2026 theme: Small Acts, Big Impact

Bullying is everyone's responsibility, and small acts can make a real difference.

This year's theme reminds us that actions don't need to be big to change someone's world.

Small actions – like including someone, speaking up or showing kindness – can create meaningful change.

In our schools and communities, our goal is to build environments where everyone belongs, diversity is celebrated and bullying is never accepted.

During Bullying No Way Week, we encourage students, schools, families and communities to engage in small acts that can have a big impact against bullying.



**Choose
kindness**



PRE SCHOOL

Thank you to all our wonderful SSO's and ECW's for helping us learn, grow and shine! You **rock**, we **a-peach-iate** everything you do to support our learning every day. We are so **grape-ful** for your patience, kindness and encouragement—you're one in a **melon**! You **guac** and go above and beyond to help us, we are so lucky to have you cheering us on. Thanks a **bunch** for everything you do, you're the **zest**, thank you **berry** much for helping us become the best learners we can be!



Thanks a
BUNCH!



We're
GRAPE-FUL



For you!

Thanks a
MELON!





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Thank you
BERRY Much!



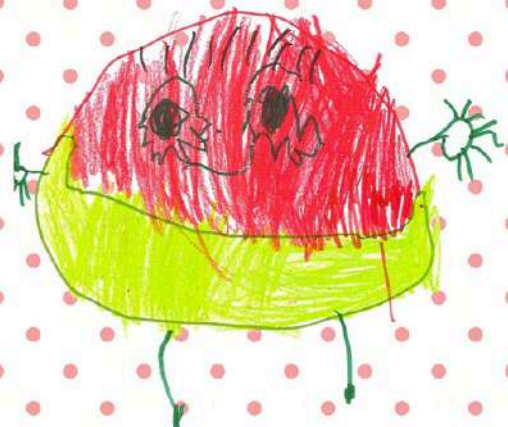
You
ROCK!



You **GUAC!**



Thanks a
MELON!





PRE SCHOOL

You're the
ZEST!



Thanks a
BUNCH!



We're
GRAPE-FUL



for you!

We
AP-PEACH-IATE



You!



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WEEK 4 ASSEMBLY



ART COMPETITION PLACE GETTERS



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Isabelle

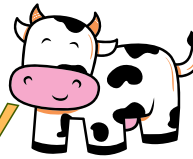


PICASSO COW NAMING

COMPETITION



Hugh
HAIRY
MCDAIRY



LISTENING LARRY



Marinda



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lochie
and
Nina



Growth
Respect
Integrity
Teamwork



Award Winners



Principal's Award – Harrison



UP – Isabelle



MP – Charlotte

GUESS WHO???

ROUND 3

Fill out the guess sheet and return it to the Front Office for your chance to win a prize. The student with the most correct matches will be crowned our Baby Photo Champion. Good luck, and happy guessing!



BABY 13



BABY 14



BABY 15



BABY 16



BABY 17



BABY 18

Name _____

Staff	Baby number		Staff	Baby number
Megan			Maria	
Miss Jordy			Lize	
Miss Papps			Katrina	

Name _____

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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NOTICES



Orders are now open!

What will you create?



Dear parents and carers

Parent Club are running a Pictureproducts melamine plate activity and we'd love you to join in. Your child's unique artwork is transformed into durable, high-quality melamine Pictureplates that will last a lifetime.

Both decorative and useful, Pictureplates are simply beautiful. Children love eating off their very own Pictureplates, and as the years go by and they grow up and have their own families, their Pictureplates will bring back memories of those happy childhood years.

Your child can use photos, markers, paints and handprints to create their artworks, and you can have as many copies made as you'd like, so it's a fantastic gift idea for grandparents and other family members. What will your child draw?

We are also offering a range of other products decorated with your child's artwork, such as the functional and beautiful Pictureclocks, plastic or ceramic mugs, water bottles and calendars. These templates are available to collect from the front office.

How to get involved

1. Look at the attached Leaflet and choose which products, and how many of each, you'd like to order. Fill out the order form at the end of this letter and return it to the front office or Rural Care/Kindy.

- **Pay for your order online at <https://pay.pictureproducts.com/BUTCPA/104628>** Please note a \$1 payment processing surcharge will be applied.

- **Orders and payments are due in by Wednesday 9th September, 3:30pm.**

2. If your child is graduating from Kindergarten at the end of the year, your child will complete their artworks at Kindy. If you'd like your child to include any photographs on their artworks, please send a copy in as soon as possible.

3. Otherwise, create your artworks at home with pens, paint, stickers, fingers, feet and photos—the brighter the better!

- Return your drawings to the front office when complete.

- **Drawings are due in by Wednesday 9th September.**

4. Once your order is completed at the Pictureproducts factory, it will be posted back to the school. We will let you know when your order is ready for collection.

Products and prices

- Pictureplate: \$25
- Pictureclock: \$30
- Small clock, 600ml water bottle or tote bag: \$25
- Ceramic mug, plastic mug, 400ml water bottle or pencil case: \$20
- Calendar: \$15

Order form - please return to the organiser

Child Name	Class	Product	Qty	Price Each
Totals				

Paying for your order

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ORDERS DUE: WED 9TH SEPTEMBER



SUBWAY

Orders & payment
due:
Wk 8 Mon (7/9)



SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER WEEK 8, THURSDAY

Choice of a roll, cookie and a drink
6" \$10 or footlong \$15



FOR SALE

Ex-School Devices
Apple Ipad Air 2
\$50 each
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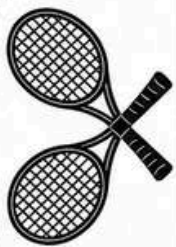


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KIDS WELCOME TO PLAY TENNIS!

HAVE FUN • MAKE FRIENDS • STAY ACTIVE

LOCHIEL



TENNIS CLUB

RE-ESTABLISHED 1921

KIDS OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO PLAY TENNIS WITH LOCHIEL TENNIS CLUB!



PROFESSIONAL COACH

We have a professional coach this season!



COMPETE LOCALLY

Play in the Northern Yorke Peninsula Tennis League.



ALL AGES WELCOME

From beginners to advanced players - everyone is welcome!



ALL SKILL LEVELS

We can accommodate all ages and skill levels.



SCHOOL BUS DROP-OFF MAY BE AVAILABLE!

We're currently exploring the possibility of the Balaklava school bus dropping players at Lochiel for tennis practice. Contact us for more information.



NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!
FUN, FITNESS & FRIENDSHIPS AWAIT!



INTERESTED?

Get in touch - we'd love to hear from you!
ALL AGES. ALL ABILITIES. ALL WELCOME!



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COME GIVE IT A GO!

BUTE BASKETBALL CLUB



SEEKING PLAYERS
FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON



BOYS & GIRLS
BORN IN
2012 - 2016



REGISTRATION NIGHT
WEDNESDAY
16TH SEPTEMBER 2026
AT 4:30PM
AT BUTE SPORTING CLUB

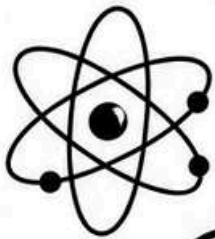


If your child is interested in playing this season and you can't make it, please message your child's name and DOB to



KAILA PERRITON: 0408 062 614
OR SEE **MADELINE JAK**





KIDS



SCIENCE

EXPERIMENTS

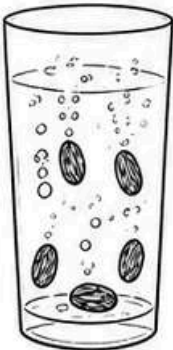
TO TRY AT HOME!

FUN • EASY • SAFE

1

DANCING RAISINS

Make raisins dance up and down in a fizzy drink!



YOU'LL NEED:

- Raisins
- Clear fizzy drink (lemonade or soda water)
- Tall clear glass

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill the glass with fizzy drink.
2. Drop in a few raisins.
3. Watch as the bubbles stick to the raisins and lift them up!
4. When the bubbles pop at the top, the raisins sink back down.
5. Keep watching the "dance"!

2

BAKING SODA VOLCANO

Create an awesome eruption with simple ingredients!



YOU'LL NEED:

- Baking soda
- Vinegar
- Food colouring
- Dish soap
- Small container or tray

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Place the container or tray on a flat surface.
2. Build a small volcano shape in the centre (using cardboard, playdough or foil) if you like.
3. Put 2-3 tablespoons of baking soda inside the volcano.
4. Add a few drops of food colouring and a drop of dish soap.
5. Slowly pour in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of vinegar.
6. Step back and enjoy the fizzing eruption!

3

COLOUR CHANGING FLOWERS

Watch flowers change colour right before your eyes!



YOU'LL NEED:

- White flowers (carnations work best)
- Food colouring
- Water
- Glass jars

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill each jar with water.
2. Add a few drops of food colouring to each jar and stir.
3. Place a white flower in each jar.
4. Wait a few hours and check back!
5. The petals will slowly change colour as the flower drinks the coloured water.

4

MAGIC MILK COLOURS

See colours swirl and move with just a drop of soap!



YOU'LL NEED:

- Milk
- Food colouring
- Dish soap
- Cotton swab
- Shallow dish

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Pour milk into the shallow dish.
2. Add drops of different food colouring around the dish.
3. Dip a cotton swab in dish soap.
4. Touch the tip of the swab to the centre of the milk.
5. Watch the colours explode and swirl!

BE CURIOUS. HAVE FUN. STAY SAFE!