

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

28th July 2014



Teamwork
Integrity
Generosity of Spirit
Excellence
Respect

"It Takes a Village to Raise a Child" ~ African Proverb ~

Master Class - Pictured Above: Haydn Castle helping Mrs O'Brien & Kelly Johnson in the Bush Tucker Garden and Paige Vandenberg and Madison Kruschel working on their string pictures with Cass Martin & Mr Brown.

Assembly Roster

Term 3 - Week 2 - Sky Dankel, Keeley Rathjen, Jade Prosser

Term 3 - Week 3 - Alisha Hutchinson, Sachin Bartholomuesz, Mitchell Pahl

Relay for Life

Tiger Trekker Mini-Lottery

Congratulations to our Major Prize Winners...tickets were drawn at our end of term assembly on 4th July 2014...

\$500.00 - Lorna Bretag

\$300.00 - Donald Martin

\$100.00 - Jason Daniel

Notes To Be Returned

LMP & MP Wellington Camp forms - please return consent/payment form and \$30.00 deposit per child to the office asap (**previously due Friday 25th July 2014**). Refer to forms on our website if you have not received them from your child.

JP/JP1 Camp forms - please return consent/payment form, together with \$20.00 per student to the office by Monday 4th August 2014.

Book Fair

This year, we are again celebrating Book Week with a Book Fair. Books will be displayed in the Library on Monday 4th August 2014, where students can add to a wish list with titles and prices. Books will be available for purchase from 8:30am on Tuesday 5th August 2014, and unfortunately, can only be on a first come, first served basis, and there will be no orders taken. Please see Anne Martin or Necia Zadow if you have any queries.

EFTPOS Facilities

The school now provides EFTPOS facilities for the payment of school related expenses over the sum of \$10.00 or at the office staff's discretion.

Visa, Mastercard & debit cards will be accepted but there will be no 'cash out' option available. Please see Annie or Necia in the office if you have any queries.

Happy Birthday

5/8 - Clay (Year 4)

9/8 - Jeremy (Year 3)



Rita's Roar

It is with extreme sadness that I share with you the news that Amy's adored brother Peter Michell passed away last Friday. Peter was a presenter on 'SA Life' and performed at our school as a member of Ticklish Allsorts troupe. Our heartfelt thoughts are with Amy, Andrew, Harry and Matilda and also with Amy's lovely parents, Susie and John.

'Be still.

Close your eyes.

Breathe.

Listen for my footfall in your heart.

I am not gone but merely walk within you.'

I am so proud of the way our team has stepped up to not only support Amy and her family, but also to ensure there is as little disruption as possible for her students.

Australian Curriculum Student Free Day

All of the Murray Bridge Cluster will be engaged in a Student Free Day on **Monday 11th August (Week 4). The school will be closed on this day.** On this day we will be looking at the curriculum in Health and PE, Arts and Technologies, which are all due to be implemented next year. Project Officers in these learning areas from Central Office will share the new curriculum with us.

Master classes

Our community continues to astound me. Our first set of master classes were outstanding. You could feel the excitement in the air on the days prior to them. Thank you to everyone who has participated and will continue to do so. Our assembly this Friday will be a showcase of each master class, so make sure you come and have a look.

Student Teachers

As mentioned last term, we welcome student teacher Ashley Lowe in Kerry and Kim's class for the first 5 weeks of this term. We also welcome Amanda Kuchel in Anne's class until the end of week 6.

School Shop in the holidays

On the first Friday of the school holidays I was very worried as we only had a skeleton crew to work in the Shop. I realised that this is because many families go away. The following Friday was amazing! There were 6 high school students and approximately 30 primary school students, plus lots of parents and teachers. It was very impressive and the tourists were amazed. Well done everyone.

Warm Regards, Rita

Counsellor's Corner



Helping Kids Manage Big Emotions - Essential Parenting Ideas by Michael Grose
(Continued from Term 2, week 8 newsletter)

Steps you can use to help your children manage big emotions...

'Process – Ask your child good questions to get the full story. Use your senses and your intuition to check out what's happening. Think about what may have happened to lead to the situation. Kids are faulty observers and often present one side of a situation. Think about the full story yourself.

Reflect – It's really important to give yourself time to think when children and young people talk about their problems. Is this so bad? Will things be better tomorrow? Has this happened in the past? Has your child been able to handle such challenges before? Is this an issue that I need to resolve? Try to see the bigger picture.

Respond – Children's concerns need to be taken seriously, but sometimes some TLC (Tender Loving Care in the form of a big hug) is sufficient and very reassuring. At other times, some ideas about coping or handling the situation may be useful, but this can occur over time. Avoid feeling that you have to 'fix' the problem for your child. And don't panic if you don't know what to do. Sometimes things work themselves out, or a solution will appear over time.

'In my book *Thriving*, I wrote that kids of all ages have a tendency to catastrophise when life throws them curve balls. Nothing wrong with that, to a point, but it really helps if the significant adults in their lives (that is, parents) can model calm, reflective behaviour when kids come to them with their emotions out of control.

It's not easy staying calm when kids' emotions run high, but if you want your kids to calm down and think (another resilience attribute), then you need to go first.'

Michael Grose

During wellbeing lessons, students are taught that it is ok to be angry. Being angry is a healthy emotion, however it is not ok to hurt somebody with your words or physically. That's when we need to calm down so we can think. Walking away is a much better option than saying or doing something we know we will later regret.

Cheers, Kerry

Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2014 Premier's Reading Challenge is now drawing to a close. Each student has recorded the books they have read on a record sheet. Teachers, SSOs and parent helpers have chatted with them about the books to establish that they have comprehended the story. The Challenge will finish on Friday 29th August 2014. It is a requirement that to finish the Challenge, a student reads a minimum of 8 books from the Premier's list, and 4 books of their own choice. Please help younger students to read their library books in order for them to successfully complete the Challenge.

A party to celebrate successful 'challengers' will be held soon after the Challenge. *Thank you.*

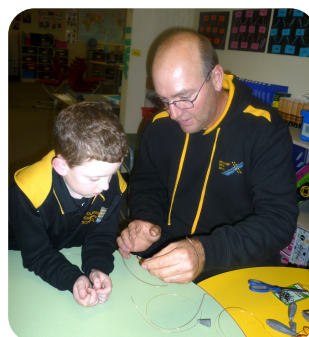
Welcome to our School...

This term, we extend a very warm welcome to Charlie and Dallas Harrowfield and their family to our school. Charlie starts with us in the Junior Primary Reception class, while Dallas joins us in Year 2 in the Lower Middle Primary Class. We trust that they will enjoy their learning experiences with us at Mypolonga Primary School!



Master Class

Thank you to our many volunteers for running a Master Class this year. Our students have been very fortunate in being able to choose from a wide variety of activities. We hope that your children come home and tell you about what they have learnt and get to demonstrate their new skills!



Above left: Jayden Hearne with Michael McDonald learning basic fishing knots.



Above right: Keeley Rathjen with her dream catcher, instructed by Dee Payne

Below: Jane Rumbelow with her 'hacky sack group' Jayda Stimpson, Logan Baker, Kyal McDonald, Holly Temby, Abbey Schofield and Holly Rathjen



Enterprise Recess/Lunch Term 3 2014

TUESDAY

Lower Middle Primary **Lunch**

Toasted Sandwiches

* choice of cheese, ham & cheese, spaghetti *

\$2.50 each



WEDNESDAY

Middle Primary **Recess**

Crumpets

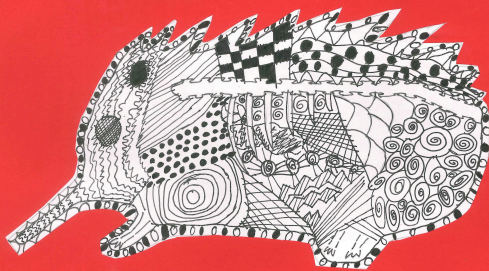
* served with a variety of toppings *

\$1.00 each

** Payment is required at the time of ordering on Fridays or Mondays
Please pay and place orders at the servery near the staff room - not in the office slot **

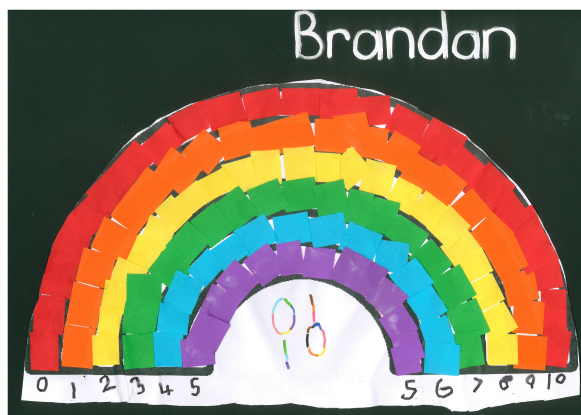
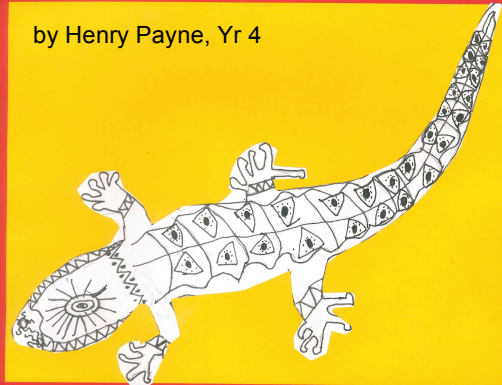
Middle Primary History

Our topic for History this year is 'First Contacts' (Aboriginal Studies). The Middle Primary Class has been experimenting with X-ray Art. This style shows the internal organs of animals. It is similar to medical x-ray with an 'arty' twist!



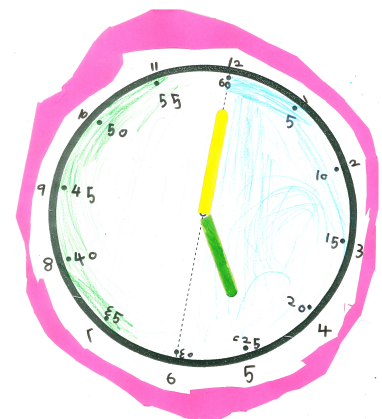
by Coen Martin, Yr 4

by Henry Payne, Yr 4



Above: Junior Primary Reception Class
Natural Maths 'Rainbow Facts' by Brandon Pahl

**Junior
Primary /
Junior Primary 1
Work**



Above: Junior Primary 1 Class
Maths 'Time' by Drew Bettcher, Yr 1

Community News

Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

Friday Night Tea - Friday 1st August 2014 at the Mypolonga Combined Sport's Club. All welcome! Meals served from approximately 6:00pm. Bar facilities will be available from 5:30pm.

Mypolonga Netball League Club

Home Match Tea - Saturday 9th August 2014 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. All welcome! Meals served from 6:00pm.

MCSC – Mypolonga Combined Sports Club
MFC – Mypolonga Football Club
MCC – Mypolonga Cricket Club

Planning Calendar Term 3 2014

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club
MBHS – Murray Bridge High School

2	28/7 Newsletter	29/7 English Competition	30/7 7:00pm Sustainability Committee Meeting	31/7 2:25pm-3:25pm Master Class	1/8 3:00pm Assembly 3:30pm C&S Meeting MCSC Friday night teas	2/8 & 3/8 2/8 - MFC / MNLC Mypo -v- Tailem @ Tailem MFC Black & Gold Gala Night
3	4/8 Book Fair viewing 3:30pm Improvement Committee meeting 7:00pm Finance Committee meeting 7:30pm Governing Council meeting	5/8 from 8:30am Book Fair purchases 2:25pm-3:25pm Master Class	6/8 Choir (MP Class) Regional Cluster Practice @ Tailem Bend	7/8	8/8 3:00pm Assembly	9/8 & 10/8 9/8 - MFC/MNLC Mypo -v- Imps @ Mypo, including MNLC teas
4	11/8 STUDENT FREE DAY (the school will be closed on this day)	12/8 Maths Competition 2:25pm-3:25pm Master Class Newsletter	13/8	14/8 SAPSASA District Athletics @ Unity College	15/8 3:00pm Assembly	16/8 & 17/8 16/8 - MFC/MNLC Mypo -v- Mannum, including MFC teas
5	18/8 Book Week & Science Week →	19/8 Life Education Van visit	20/8 Life Education Van visit	21/8	22/8 3:00pm Assembly	23/8 & 24/8 23/8 - MFC / MNLC Mypo -v- Meningie @ Meningie
6	25/8 Newsletter	26/8	27/8	28/8 Casual Day / Relay for Life Fundraiser	29/8 3:00pm Assembly	30/8 & 31/8 30/8 - RMFL Qualifying Final @ Tailem 31/8 - RMFL Elimination Final @ Mypo
7	1/9 LMP/MP Wellington Camp	2/9	3/9 JP/JP1 Camp 7:00pm Sustainability Committee Meeting	4/9	5/9 SCHOOL CLOSURE (the school will be closed on this day) MCSC Friday night teas	6/9 & 7/9 6/9 - RMFL Second Semi Final @ Imps 7/9 - RMFL First Semi Final @ Ramblers 7/9 - Fathers' Day
8	8/9 Newsletter 3:30pm Improvement Committee meeting 7:00pm Finance Committee meeting 7:30pm Governing Council meeting	9/9	10/9	11/9 Murraylands Small Schools Basketball Carnival	12/9 3:00pm Assembly	13/9 & 14/9 13/9 - RMNA Grand Final & RMFL Preliminary Final @ Meningie
9	15/9	16/9	17/9	18/9	19/9 2:45pm Assembly (including presentation of Term Awards)	20/9 & 21/9 20/9 - RMFL Grand Final @ Jervois
10	22/9	23/9	24/9	25/9	26/9 NO ASSEMBLY 2:30pm Dismissal Newsletter	27/9 & 28/9 27/9 - AFL Grand Final

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