Assembly Roster – Term 2 2014
Week 2 - Paige Vandenberg, Jacinta Fry, Benjamin Peterson
Week 3 - Jack Harris, Nick Lewis, Ryder Egel

Dates to Remember
Murray Bridge High School Transition Evening for Year 7 students - Wednesday 21st May 2014 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at St Joseph’s Primary School.
Year 8 Enrolment forms - please return completed ED176 forms to the office by Friday 16th May 2014.

Student Free Days
Monday 19th May 2014; and Tuesday 10th June 2014 (following the June long weekend)
The school will be closed on these days to allow for staff to undertake training and development.

SAPSASA Football/Basketball
Congratulations to Year 6 students Riley Smelt, Kyal McDonald and Bodi Stewart on being selected in the Murraylands team to compete in the SAPSASA Football State Carnival in Adelaide between 26th May and 30th May 2014.

Congratulations to Riley Smelt also on being chosen to represent SAPSASA in the School Sport Australia 12 & Under Basketball Championships in Townsville between 16th August and 22nd August 2014.

Riley was chosen from approximately 140 children from around the state through a trial process that went over 4 weeks. Final selections were made yesterday afternoon and he was the only bottom age child to be selected. This means that he is eligible to trial again next year. Well done Riley!

Happy Birthday
7/5 - Ellie (Reception)
9/5 - Paige (Year 7)
11/5 - Baden (Year 5)
12/5 - Isabella (Year 1)

Rita’s Roar
Award Nomination
Last week, the Chief Executive, Tony Harrison, the Chief Education Officer, Jayne Johnston and Education Director Frank Mittiga came to visit our school. While we were honoured by this visit, (more later), the most important news was that our beautiful Necia was nominated for a Public Teaching Award. Every parent at our school sees the face to face stuff Necia does. She is such a welcoming presence at the front office. What you don’t see is the ‘Behind the Scenes’ things she does. I believe we have the best newsletter in our region. I see many schools copying the format of our newsletter, which Necia established. Necia is the real deal. We all learn from Necia and the kids absolutely love her. Personally, I respect and admire Necia so much and she connects our community in so many ways including Facebook and our magazine.

Financial Audit
The next most important thing was our audit. This happened on the same day as our Chief Executive’s visit. With these two things coinciding, you would expect me to be nervous. I have such confidence in Annie as our Finance Officer that it didn’t even occur to me to be worried. In fact, Annie does so many jobs, which allow me to be a better Principal. The auditor had finished his audit by lunchtime and was amazed by how well our finances are managed.

Visitors
Then our visitors arrived (pictured above). The Upper Primary class explained how ‘OK Isn’t Excellent’ and how hard we work to achieve excellence. I was so proud of our kids but was stunned when Tony Harrison asked me what we needed to move forward. I asked for $20 000 for our new kitchen and nearly died when he said yes. I then had to participate in 2 days of professional learning in Adelaide, the leaders of which had already been informed of the CE’s visit. We take for granted what we have at Mypo and after my 2 days in Adelaide, I realise that what we have is so special. What IS special is us! We are a community, which works together to achieve amazing things.

Looming
Then, we come to looming – so many parents have seen comments on TV and schools banning looming. I proudly wear bracelets made by our children and I love the fact that our kids are indulging in creative pastimes. We have adopted a ‘sensible approach’ and hope that all of the drama regarding looming will be avoided at our beautiful school.

Warm Regards
Rita
Welcome to our New Students

This term, we extend a very warm welcome to four new students and their families. We hope they all enjoy their learning experiences with us.

From left: Clay Burgess (Year 4), Rhea Kempe (Year 2), Jade Burgess (Year 2) and Ella O’Shea-Coulter (Reception).

Counsellor’s Corner

Something to think about...

Children Learn What They Live
by Dorothy Law Nolte

If children live with hostility, they learn to fight.

If children live with ridicule, they learn to be shy.

If children live with tolerance, they learn to be patient.

If children live with encouragement, they learn confidence.

If children live with praise, they learn to appreciate.

If children live with fairness, they learn justice.

If children live with security, they learn faith.

If children live with approval, they learn to like themselves.

If children live with acceptance, and friendship, they learn to find love in the world.

Cheers, Kerry

Class Awards

Term 2 Week 1

Junior Primary class
Reagan Martin - a great start to the term.

Junior Primary 1 class
Isabella Fry - excellent skills in gymnastics.
Judd Ruckenstuhl - for fantastic reading with comprehension.

Lower Middle Primary class
Baylee Cooper - outstanding attitude and work ethic.
Kobe Hobbs - improvement in reading.

Middle Primary class
Baden Monjean - for always encouraging others.
Henry Payne - improvement in Maths fluency.

Upper Primary class
Alys Bockman - for thinking laterally and maintaining a great work ethic.
Tyler Martin - for excellent questioning in Geography.

School Shop
Mother’s Day Purchases

Dear Dads/Caregivers

On Thursday 8th May 2014, students will be given an opportunity to purchase a small gift for their Mum/Caregiver for Mother’s Day from the Mypolonga School Shop.

Students can bring along their money on Thursday and purchase gifts such as soaps, note pads, bookmarks, magnets, bracelets, crystal hangings, pot pourri bags etc. ranging from $2.50-$10.00.

All items purchased from our School Shop contribute to our Enterprise Education.

Also, a big thank you to those students who helped in our School Shop on Anzac Day and to our wonderful parents for transporting them!

Welcome to Student Teacher
Megan Blacket

Megan is in her 4th and final year at Flinders University and she is completing a Bachelor of Early Childhood.

Megan will be with us for 6 weeks in the Junior Primary Reception class. Megan is a local and has lived in Murray Bridge all her life.

We are excited to have Megan here, so please make her feel welcome.
Buddy Bench
A place to go when you are feeling lonely and would like a friend to play with

SRC would like to thank Philippa Ross (mum of Jackson and Tahlia) who has made us a fantastic sign to go behind our 'Buddy Bench' located just outside the Library. If students are sitting on the 'Buddy Bench', other students are encouraged to go up and offer to play with them. Teachers and Upper Primary Students will monitor the bench during break times.

We are excited to see how our 'Buddy Bench' will help students to gain confidence, find friends, feel safe at school and most importantly, enjoy their play time.

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club
Home Match Tea - Saturday 10th May 2014 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports’ Club. Meals served from 6:00pm. All welcome!
Website - Keep an eye on the Mypolonga Football Club Facebook page....a new and exciting official website is about to go live!

Mypolonga Netball League Club
Tiger Ball - Saturday 17th May 2014. A small number of Tiger Ball tickets have become available to purchase. If you are interested in attending or need to pay for your held tickets, please see Kelsey Milne to make a cash or cheque payment by 8th May 2014.

Mypolonga RSL
Bingo BBQ tea - Friday 16th May 2014 at the Mypolonga RSL. Bingo teas are inexpensive, fun nights out for the whole family. Teas commence at 6:00pm, bingo starts at 7:30pm. Please BYO salad or plate of sweets to share.

National Families Week
“Kids Corner”
Kid’s Corner - Saturday 17th May 2014 8:00am-12:00pm. Come along to the Kid’s Corner and celebrate National Families Week at the Murray Bridge Farmers Market, Wharf Road, Murray Bridge. There will be free face painting, petting zoo, kids drumming sessions, large games, free activities & giveaways, kids ball crawl and mobile play centre. Receive a free family portrait by professional photographer Daniel Cazzolato (bookings essential). For further information, contact Karen at ac.care - Communities for Children on 85326303.

New Arrivals
Congratulations to Felicia and Ash Martin on the safe arrival of Imogen Ann Martin, born 4th May 2014. Imogen is a little sister to Georgia (Year 2), Reagan (Reception) and Noah.

Congratulations to Lisa Fawdry and Michael Donald on the safe arrival of Braydon Andrew Donald, born on 15th April 2014. Braydon is a little brother to Tehya (Reception), Kye (Year 4) and Jessica (Year 6).

Murray Bridge Little Athletics Centre - season 2013/14
Three awards for the Centre were recently presented for both boys and girls. This included the prestigious Reg Ellis perpetual award for the Most Improved Athlete in the categories of Track, Jumping and Throwing.
Congratulations to:
. Year 7 student Kialan Challenger (pictured right with sister Ariel) on receiving the boys "Most Improved Athlete" award for Throwing - Javelin.
. Reception student Ariel Challenger on receiving the girls' "Most Improved Athlete" award for Track - 40m; and
. Reception student Brandan Pahl on receiving the "Reg Ellis - Runner Up" award for overall most improved athlete.
### Planning Calendar - Term 2 2014

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7:00pm Sustainability Committee Meeting  
School Shop Mother’s Day purchases |
| 8/5    | 9/5 3:00pm Assembly  
3:30pm C&S meeting in the Library  
10/5 & 11/5  
10/5 - MFC/MNLC Mypo vs Mannum @ Mypo  
11/5 - Mothers’ Day |
| 12/5   | 13/5 NAPLaN  
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15/5 NAPLaN |
| 16/5   | 17/5 & 18/5  
17/5 - MFC/MNLC Mypo vs Imps @ Imps  
17/5 MNLC Tiger Ball |
| 19/5   | 20/5  
21/5 MBHS Yr 7/8 Transition evening at St Joseph’s School  
3:30pm-6:30pm |
| 22/5   | 23/5  
24/5 & 25/5  
24/5 - MFC/MNLC bye |
| 26/5   | 27/5  
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31/5 - MFC/MNLC Mypo vs Ramblers @ Mypo |
| 3/6    | 4/6 Science Competition  
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