Welcome to Term 3!

Staffing

We start the term with the return of some old faces and we welcome some new ones. Firstly, Renay Persello has been appointed for the rest of the year, which is great news for our Year 1/2 families.

Emily Frahn is backfilling Mel for 3 days per week and is working in the Upper Primary class. Emily has already impressed us with her dedication, curriculum knowledge and positive relationships with her students.

Holly Clark is backfilling Prue for 2 days per week and is mainly working in the Year 1/2 class. Holly did her teaching prac here at Mypo, so we were pleasantly surprised when we found out that she was available and we quickly snapped her up! Holly also works at Mannum Community College.

We now have three beginning teachers at our school, and if this is the calibre of young teachers leaving university, the future is in good hands.

Reading Surveys

The collection and analysis of sets of data is the significant part of the maths curriculum from Years 5-7. The SLC (Student Learning Community) has taken a partnership-wide approach to developing a love of reading in our students. We have combined both aspects to design surveys around the love of reading at Mypo. We intend to find out ‘Do we love reading because we are good at it, or are we good at it because we love reading?’ Year 5-7 maths students designed the questions to ‘interpret and compare a variety of data displays including those displays with 2 categorical variables’ to determine answers to questions such as:

- Is there a difference between students’ love of fiction and non fiction texts?
- Are Running Record levels higher when students read for more nights?
- Does gender make a difference?
- Does age make a difference?

In maths lessons students will collate all of this information, analyse it and make recommendations, which will then go to the Lifelong Learning Community and SLC for discussion. In the words of Professor Guy Claxton: ‘International research shows that love of reading is the biggest predictor of a person’s social wellbeing as a 30 year old. However, literacy programs aimed at improving test scores often have a detrimental effect on students’ enjoyment of reading.’ We will keep you informed of our results.

Star Students

During the holidays two of our former students excelled in their lines of work: Sam Martin (Anne’s son) was named ‘Australian Dairy Farmer of the Year’, and Rachel Anderson won a 3 month Google internship in Sydney. Well done to both students and keep the Mypo flag flying high!
Staff Profiles

Introducing and welcome to...
Emily Frahn
Teacher

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School Fee Statements

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Thank you.

Student Representative Council ‘SRC’

Class elections were recently held and we congratulate the following students on being elected SRC representatives for Terms 3 & 4:

Junior Primary R/2 Classes – Ellie, Elouise, Makayla
Lower Middle Primary Class – Ava, Jayden, Phebe
Middle Primary Class – Jackson, Jade, Jessica
Upper Primary Class
UP Representatives – Riley & Jayda
UP Leaders – Holly & Paris
SRC Co-ordinator – Kerry Daniel

Student Representative Council “SRC”

Introducing...

Paris Montgomery-Pittaway
(SRC Leader)

As an SRC Leader, I hope to... help this school be the very best it can be.

Something you don’t know about me is... I play soccer for a girls’ team in Murray Bridge. We won the Under 13s state championships.

I read... lots of different types of genres.

I watch... lots of TV shows but my favourites would be “Some Assembly Required” and “Good Luck Charlie”.

I listen to... songs by Fifth Harmony.

One day I hope to... become a teacher and teach at Mypolonga Primary School.

If I could change something in the world, I would... stop all wars, make world peace and find a cure for cancer.

The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is... the awesome teachers. Without all the teachers, this school would be nothing.

Someone I really look up to is... my parents. They are great role models for me, my sisters and brother and also they have always looked out for me since I was born.

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Welcome to our school…

Heath Matheson

Last Monday, we welcomed Year 3 student Heath Matheson to our school. Heath is in the Lower Middle Primary class and joins us from Myponga Primary School.

We welcome Heath and his family to the Myponga school community and hope they enjoy their learning experiences with us.

Class Awards

Term 3 Week 1

Junior Primary class
Drazic Ryles – for becoming an independent writer.
Connor Fulwood – using Jolly Phonic strategies in his journal writing.

Junior Primary 1 class
Shelby Rothe – for taking her time to sound out unknown words in her writing.
Zenith Smith – for slowing down when he is writing to make sure each letter is written as neatly as he can.

Lower Middle Primary class
Georgia Martin – excellent mentoring in money.
Craig Gillett – being a curious learner by extending his learning at home.

Middle Primary class
Kobe Hobbs – working hard to improve his fine motor skills.
Kiarra Gillett – showing focus and determination with her learning.

Upper Primary class
Baden Monjean – for displaying maturity in leadership.
Bella Smith – for a positive attitude to improving her learning.

Master Class

Wednesdays: 7th September & 14th September 2016
Mondays: 19th September and 26th September 2016

from 2:20pm to 3:20pm

We are kindly looking for parents, friends and/or community members to help with, or run a Master Class. Over the years, Master Classes have been as varied as volleyball, basketball, lego, campfires, art & craft electives and cooking. Please refer to the note sent home last Friday and contact Kerry Daniel if you have any queries.

Counsellor’s Corner

I am continuing to use information from Andrew Fuller to help create resilient families. Andrew is a clinical psychologist and works with many organisations, schools and communities in Australia and internationally, specialising in the wellbeing of people, teams and families.

Ten Hints for Creating Resilient Families

Resilience is the fine art of being able to bungy jump through life. The pitfalls are still there but it is as if you have an elasticised rope around your middle that helps you to bounce back from hard times.

No. 8 Teach the skills of Self-esteem

Families that work well seem to praise one another a lot. Compliments are made, positive efforts are commented on. Optimism is in the air. Even in these families, teenagers still shrug and say, “yeah Mum” or “yeah Dad”, whenever a compliment is made.

Teaching the skills of self-praise is useful. One way of doing this is to ask questions extensively about any achievement or accomplishment. Ask questions like “How did you do that?”, “How come you did so well at that test?”, “What did you do?” and “Have you been doing homework behind my back?”

www.andrewfuller.com.au

I love this one!!! We are all so bad at accepting praise. I often say to the students, you could hear 100 great things about yourself but if one person says something negative, unfortunately that is the thing you will focus on. Let yourself receive a compliment, show your children how to respond….praise your kids often…remember to praise the effort and not always the achievement. Praise doesn’t always need to be in public either.

Cheers, Kerry

NAPLaN Online – Getting ready for 2017

Year 3-7 parents & caregivers.

Please find enclosed a letter regarding NAPLaN Online Readiness trials being held at the school from Monday 15th August – Friday 19th August 2016.

Please contact your child’s class teacher if you have any queries.

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club

Boots & Bubbles Ladies’ Day: Saturday 6th August 2016 @ 3:00pm until the end of the League match. Drinks, nibbles and tea included. Invitation open to all wives, partners, family, friends & netballers. Tickets: $50.00. Pull on your boots and join in the fun and games. Tickets can be purchased form Elise Altmann 0433900118 / Elle Vince 0406066361.

Mypolonga Combined Sports’ Club

Friday night teas (first Friday of every month) Next tea: Friday 5th August 2016. Attending a MCSC tea is a great way to end off the working week, while socialising with other members of our community. Meals are served from approximately 6:00pm. All welcome!

Murray Bridge Basketball Association – Bridge Hoops

Term 3 Bridge Hoops will run from Wednesday 3rd August – Wednesday 7th September 2016 from 5.00pm – 6.00pm.

Cost: $30.00 for 6 weeks for boys and girls aged 5-8 years. Emphasis will be on development of individual and team skills for all participants. Please bring along a size 5 basketball if you have one and a named water bottle. Registration forms are available on their website or at the Stadium. Contact the Stadium Coordinator for further information. Ph: 85310755 / admin@mbba.com.au
### Planning Calendar
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