Mypolonga Primary School & Community

Newsletter

21st November 2017 (Week 6 Term 4)

Term 4 2017 Assembly Roster

Week 6 – Benjamin Peterson, Jessica, Levi Gray
Week 7 – Jackson Ross, Jamie Cekanauskas, Blake Kennedy

Happy Birthday

20/11 – Sachin (Year 7) 22/11 – Larissa (Year 7) 22/11 – Zoe (Year 6) 22/11 – Leroy (Year 6) 23/11 – Bella (Year 4) 23/11 – Bella (Year 1) 26/11 – Seth (Reception) 28/11 – Koby (Year 4) 30/11 – Riley (Year 4) 2/12 – Craig (Year 5)



. 2017 Magazine order form (orders & money, due to be returned by 1/12/17.) . Concert rehearsal travel arrangement form, due to be returned by 1/12/17.

. ac.care hamper flyer. Items can be left in the donation box in the school office until Monday 4th December 2017. Thanks to the Deane family for their involvement in this worthwhile cause.

* As with all notes, we would appreciate the return of the above notes **by the due date** as information needs to be collated for events to be finalised.

This will also significantly reduce the time in which office staff, teachers and students spend in obtaining additional or replacement notes for parent consent.

Thank you.









Junior/Junior Primary 1 Victor Harbor Adare camp

*Further photos from each class camp will be featured in our 2017 school magazine, which you can order NOW!

Individually we are a drop, but together, we are an ocean. ~ *Ryunosuke Satoro* ~

Rita's Roar

At Mypo, we stand shoulder-to-shoulder with our students in our learning journey. We have structures, which enable students to engage with real life learning and contribute to decisions made around school priorities, culture and projects.

One structure is the Sustainability Committee, which makes decisions around our school environment and drives our STEM agenda. Next week, using a grant we received, the Sustainability Committee will be meeting with Nature Play gurus Simon Hutchinson and Peter Semple to design two nature play areas; one in the JP playground area and the other at Farmer Jones' Paddock.



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Many members of the Sustainability Committee are currently in Year 7, and we encourage any students who are interested to put their hands up to the committee, ready for next year. All members also become involved in the Young Environmental

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A highlight for 2017 was the trip Henry and Logan took to Canberra to learn more about STEM.

The members of the Lifelong Learning Community are also members of the Murraylands SLC. Last week, the SLC attended a partnership-wide meeting to share a video they made about creative body-based learning strategies. They are involved in the design of our Site Improvement Plan and have had a significant part to play in raising the profile of reading, not just at our school, but across the partnership.

Interestingly, the Sustainability Committee is comprised mainly of male students, and the Lifelong Learning is

predominantly female. Next year we would like to mix this up a bit, as we know males and females often bring different perspectives to any issues.

And last but not least – our camps are done and dusted for another year! I congratulate and thank all of our teachers and SSOs who spent countless hours planning, preparing, Murraylande The Learning Provide the Learning Community

cooking and risk managing. I was so proud to hear that people commented on the behaviour and manners of our kids. Getting 34 students on and off a tram in the centre of Adelaide was no mean feat! I would also like to thank our parent volunteers who ensured that we had enough adult supervision to ensure our students are always safe. While the year is winding down time-wise, it certainly is not activity-wise. See you at Anne's farewell this Sunday at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Clubrooms.

Warm Regards, Rita

* * * Mypolonga Primary School Concert

Friday 8th December 2017 from 7:00pm

Unity College Steeple, Murray Bridge

* Tickets will be available to purchase from the school office from 8:30am THIS Wednesday 22nd November 2017 *

\$5.00 per seat

(children under the age of 4 are <u>free</u> but still require a ticket for seating purposes)

(Refer to the note sent home with the eldest in the family last Tuesday)

Wellbeing Wonders



Continuing with our focus on families, happiness and the eight surprisingly basic steps you can take to be happier in life, Kurtz suggests...

'6. Celebrate the small things

Give yourself some credit for the small wins in your life. Kurtz recommends finding a sense of accomplishment even in some of your everyday tasks, like waking up in the morning, running errands or paying your rent on time.

"The things you take for granted might be major accomplishments for someone else," Kurtz writes.

7. Don't seek out perfection

As you pursue getting what you want, you may inevitably face a roadblock on the way.

Kurtz recommends that instead of seeking out perfection, try just being happy with what comes along.

"Find a way to be happy with what you already have," Kurtz writes, "and you'll always have exactly what you need."

8. Forget the 'destination'

While many of us may get caught up in trying to meet our end goals, Kurtz reminds that happiness isn't a place or the end result that you might be striving toward.

"It's cliche, but happiness is a journey," Kurtz says. Happiness will find you along this journey.

"It's hard to remember that when you're really happy, and it's hard to remember that when you're really sad too," he says.

"But life is (hopefully) long and we'll constantly be working towards becoming our best, happiest selves.""

Take time for you, it's in yours and everybody else's best interest!

Cheers, Kerry

Class Awards

Term 4 Week 3

Junior Primary class

Aila Young – for bringing constant entertainment into the class.

Noah Martin – for excelling in History.

Junior Primary 1 class

Amira Egel – working extremely hard in Maths on her 5x tables.

Kai Patrick – for working really hard in genre writing.

Lower Middle Primary class

Charlie Harrowfield – for being a great friend. *Zenith Smith* – excellent effort in all curriculum areas.

Middle Primary class

Linx Baker – excellent engagement in Europe study and opting for extra work.

Isla Gielen – for constantly putting great effort into her work.

Upper Primary class

Jeremy George – for getting into deep learning and scientific questioning about electric circuits.

Jayda Stimpson – for problem solving in STEM golf course design.

Term 4 Week 4

Junior Primary class

Jai Bowley – for being a good and kind friend to everyone.

Lucinda Temby – for always bringing an informative and enjoyable show 'n' tell.

Junior Primary 1 class

Pippa Smith – for trying her best in all subject areas. *Jorja Kuhn* – for being kind, friendly and encouraging to all her peers.

Lower Middle Primary class

Judd Ruckenstuhl – showing kindness to a junior student.

Braeden Watts – excellent concert audition.

Middle Primary class

Kobe Hobbs – a very caring class member who is always happy to help.

Bella Pike – good input in guided reading group discussion.

Upper Primary class

Kiarra Gillett – for great effort at camp, helping in the kitchen.

Adin Harm – for a terrific attitude to his learning on camp.

P&F Christmas Fundraiser Raffle

A reminder that Christmas raffle tickets (unsold or sold), with money, are to be returned to the office by this Friday



24/11/17. Proceeds from the sale of the raffle tickets will go towards our STEM program. Tickets: \$1.00 each / Drawn: Friday 8/12/17 at the concert

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Activities: African Drumming workshop, surfing @ Middleton, Parliament House, Bounce, Central Market, Magistrates Court, mini golf, Glenelg Historical Museum



Lower Middle/Middle **Primary Aldinga Camp**

Activities: Bush tucker walk, grouping activities, orienteering, traditional cooking (fish wrapped in clay), art & symbols (boomerangs), reefs & rockpools, wadli building (free standing shelter)







Junior/Junior Primary 1 Victor Harbor (Adare) camp

Activities: organised team-orientated games including mapping challenges, beach activities, tribal games, parachute games, shelter building and treasure hunt





















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| MFC – Mypo | polonga Combined Spo olonga Football Club olonga Cricket Club | orts Club | Planning Calenda Term 4 2017 | | ypolonga Netball Le ver Murray Football | |
| 6 | 20/11 Student Free Day (the school will be closed on this day) SAPSASA Tennis State Carnival SAPSASA Cricket State Carnival | 21/11 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone) Newsletter | 22/11 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls) 10:30am Nature play consultation | 23/11 | 24/11 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly P&F Christmas raffle tickets due to be returned | 25/11 & 26/11 25/11 – Murray Bridge Christmas Pageant 26/11 – Anne Martin's Retirement Farewell (from 2:00pm |
| 7 | 27/11 7:00pm Finance Meeting 7:30pm Governing Council meeting | 28/11 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone) | 29/11 SRC Casual Day MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls) | 30/11 | 1/12 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) Final School Shop opening for 2017 3:00pm Assembly 6:00pm MCSC Friday Night tea | at the MCSC 2/12 & 3/12 |
| 8 Last week of class enterprise recess/lunch for the year | 4/12 Newsletter Pet Education Program (JP, JP1 & LMP classes) | 5/12 Final Playgroup for the year LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone) | 6/12 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls) | 7/12 Whole School transition to next year's classes (inc Yr 7 transition @ MBHS) | 8/12 Full day concert rehearsal @ Unity College ★ School Concert No Assembly | 9/12 & 10/12 |
| 9 | 11/12 | 12/12 | 13/12 Mannum Dental Surgery Education Program (whole school) 6:30pm Year 7 Graduation Dinner @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club | 14/12 2:30pm Assembly at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club (inc presentation of term and year awards) | 15/12 Last day of Term 4 FUN DAY! Newsletter No Assembly 2:25pm Dismissal | 16/12 & 17/12 16/12 – Mypo RSL Christmas party |

Term 1 2018

| 1 | 29/1 | 30/1 | 31/1 | 1/2 | 2/2 | 3/2 & 4/2 |
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| | Term 1 | | | | 3:00pm Assembly 6:00pm | |
| | commences Welcome back! | | | | 6:00pm MCSC Friday Night tea | |
| 2 | 5/2 Newsletter Swimming lessons | 6/2 | 7/2 | 8/2 | 9/2 | 10/2 & 11/2 |
| | (Reception to Year – 5 students only) | | | | | |

Community News

Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club – Friday Night Teas

Held on the first Friday of every month. Next tea: Friday 1st December 2017.

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