

# Mypolonga Primary School & Community

## Newsletter

29<sup>th</sup> August 2016

(Week 6 Term 3)



The more that you read, the more things you will know.  
The more you learn, the more places you'll go!  
~ Dr. Seuss ~

### Term 3 Assembly Roster

**Week 6** – NO ASSEMBLY due to School Closure Day.

**Week 7** – Larissa Pike, Kobe Hobbs, Joe Tidy

### Happy Birthday

3/9 – Amber (Year 6)  
3/9 – Jayden (Year 3)  
5/9 – Jade (Year 4)  
6/9 – Luke (Year 6)  
7/9 – Henry (Year 6)  
14/9 – Charlie (Year 2)  
15/9 – Linx (Year 4)  
15/9 – Riley (Year 4)  
15/9 – Thomas (Year 4)  
16/9 – Dallas (Year 4)  
16/9 – Danté (Reception)



### School Closure Day

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 (Term 3)

### Student Free Day

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 (Term 4)

The school will be closed on these days.

### Reminders

**LMP/MP Arbury Park Camp** Full payment is required by 21/9/16. Please see Annie in the office if you wish to arrange a payment plan.

**Book Show performance** payment was due today 29/8/16. \$3.00 per student. Thank you.

### Next Newsletter

Due to staff absence, our next newsletter will be sent home on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

### Parents & Friends

**Morning Tea:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

September 2016 at 9:30am - 11:30am @ GCS Murray Bridge. All welcome, including preschool children.

**Fundraising Catalogue** (enclosed)



### Literacy Cup Points

Week 4 & Week 5 combined  
and Year Total

<b>Murray</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>2163</b>
<b>Hindmarsh</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>2263</b>
<b>Finniss</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2126</b>



### That Snowball Keeps Getting Bigger!

I often talk about the 'Snowball Effect' at Mypo: how one thing leads to another and how the snowball rolls along getting bigger and bigger. Last term we were visited by Brenton Willson, the manager of 'Leadership Development, Leading Learning and TfEL' in DECD, who talked about our involvement in the Social Ventures Australia program. When he was ready to leave I walked down with him to the gate and as we passed the UP class I suggested he drop in and say hello to them as he had met them before.

As we walked, they were sharing the learning they had researched into their Geography topic 'Water in the World'. Two of their research questions involved the impact of nuclear energy on water safety.

Brenton then explained that he had been charged by the Premier to set up a student forum in Adelaide to discuss the Nuclear Fuel Cycle Royal Commission Report and that our students would be invited to participate in it. Four students; Amber, Riley, Clay and Jackson will be representing the Murraylands at this amazing learning opportunity. One thing leads to another!

### MoneySmart

In the last newsletter, I wrote about the evaluation we underwent after being identified by DECD as best practice in the delivery of the MoneySmart program. Ros, the evaluator sent me the following email after returning to Melbourne:

"A quick note to thank you for the warm welcome to Mypolonga PS last week, and for all your work in organising the interviews with teachers, students and parents. I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to the school – it was lovely to meet you and the school community, and to see first-hand how the MoneySmart Teaching program is being used to help students develop their Consumer and Financial Literacy capabilities. It was great to see "the shop" in action, and the ways in which you've managed to get the whole school involved in every facet of running the shop. Please extend my thanks to Jane, Cass, Mark and the students who took part in this evaluation.

Thanks for your advice too Rita on the best ways to encourage my children's school to get on board with MoneySmart. I ended up making an appointment to speak to the Deputy Principal this afternoon – I think I spent half the time there talking about your shop, and how the students are able to add up change in their heads and working out the percentage commissions to pay the various consigners. At the deputy principal's request, I have emailed her a link to the program, along with a link to the Mypolonga Today Tonight story so they could see what a whole of school approach to the teaching of CFL looks like.



By the way, my family all enjoyed the apricots and peaches. They taste so much better than those bland Turkish apricots. I think I have also spent half the weekend talking about Mypolonga, the shop and even the TIGER values! And yes, my children have also watched the video!

Do keep up the great work that you're doing at Mypolonga. I will be in touch over the next week or so when I have the draft case study to send through – I just want to make sure that all the details are accurate.

Many thanks again, Ros"

Warm Regards, Rita

## Primary School Cricket

School cricket is just around the corner!

As a school, we are seeking interest from both boys and girls. There is some exciting news and developments within school cricket and increased participation from the SACA and Cricket Australia.

We will be having an information session in the school library this Wednesday 31st August 2016 at 3:30pm, to gauge interest from parents and children with the new rules and changes.

We welcome new and existing cricketers to come along.

Please contact either Kym Walton 0488020715 or Mark Pahl 0429881573 if you can't make it or would like further information.

## Student Representative Council "SRC"

Introducing...

**Riley Walton**  
(SRC Upper Primary Representative)

As an SRC Leader, I hope to... ensure that SRC events are as beneficial as possible.

Something you don't know about me is... I live close to the river and ski often during Summer.

I read... war and Jeff Kinney books.

I watch... the Discovery Channel and kid's shows.

I listen to... songs with good beats or tunes.

One day I hope to... become a mechanical engineer and travel Australia with V8 Supercar pit crews.

If I could change something in the world, I would... prevent poverty so everyone has a good life and family.

The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is... the learning opportunities and choosing how we want to learn.

Someone I really look up to is... Sam, Anne & Graham Martin because they run a successful dairy, which I will hopefully work at one day.



## SAPSASA Football & Netball

Well done to our Upper Primary students on an enjoyable week representing the Murraylands in SAPSASA Football & Netball. Holly Temby and Jackson Hughes have kindly provided us with an insight into their week.

### Football

**Team Members: Blake Fidge, Henry Payne, Jackson Hughes, Jason Crouch**

"We all had a great experience because we got to make new friends with other teams' members. We also learnt how to play fair but unfortunately came away with a few injuries.



We were in Division 3 and played 2 games every day, except for Friday when we played 1 game. Overall, we won 3 games and lost 6. The Barker team won the championship but we were really pleased with the way we played them, only going down by 10 points." Jackson Hughes

### Netball

**Team Members: Jayda Stimpson, Holly Temby, Keeley Rathjen, Chloe Pahl**

"During SAPSASA Netball, the learning experience was great! Jayda came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in her division, while we lost 4 games but won 5.



We played 12-minute quarters and played 2 games a day, except for Friday when we played 1 game. We were encouraged and learnt how to play like the umpires play. We all really enjoyed making new friends." Holly Temby

## Second Hand Uniform Items

Do you have any spare black/gold items of clothing your child/ren no longer wears?

We are in the process of reviewing our second hand clothing and would appreciate any donations of school uniform items, (preferably shorts and tracksuit pants on the smaller size from 4 up). All proceeds from the sale of clothing items go to our SRC.

## Lost Property

A large amount of **unnamed** black jumpers/jackets and plastic containers have found a home in our lost property box. When next visiting the school, please call into the office to see if an item may belong to your child. At the end of the term, all remaining items will be washed and donated to our SRC clothing rack or a local charity. Thank you.



## 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. [www.andrewfuller.com.au](http://www.andrewfuller.com.au)

### 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. 9 Know How to Argue)

Families that work well know how to argue. It seems strange to say this because we all have the sense those families that work well don't have conflicts. The family is really where we learn to resolve disputes fairly. The way that parents teach children to resolve differences of opinion with their brothers and sisters provides the basis for sharing, negotiating and problem solving in the world beyond the family. While differences of opinion should be allowed to be expressed, children also need to learn that they will not be able to win at all costs.)

*When we argue, it is important to listen to the other person's point of view and remain calm. Nobody listens to shouting! We also need to remember that words do hurt. What is said in anger is not often forgotten. It's very easy to say all this but not so easy to do!*

*A much respected colleague of mine always said to her children, "it is ok to argue but we don't name call!" It is very easy to put someone down when you are in a rage but this doesn't help anyone.*

*Keep it clean!*

*Cheers, Kerry*

## Class Awards

### Term 3 Week 3

#### Junior Primary class

**Amira Egel** – always being a quiet achiever and making excellent choices.

**Pippa Smith** – showing great maturity with her learning and attitude in class.

#### Junior Primary 1

**Haydn Castle** – for gaining confidence to speak up during levelled literacy.

**Alarah Sipos** – for being a leader in showing her peers how to make good choices.

#### Lower Middle Primary class

**Jade Burgess** – always being prepared to extend her learning.

**Ethan Kennedy** – excellent spelling test results this term.

#### Middle Primary class

**Leah Ferguson** – a positive attitude in all learning areas.

**Leila Dahlitz** – being confident and articulate during MoneySmart conversations.

#### Upper Primary class

**Amber Gielen** – for excellent communication about MoneySmart concepts.

**Maddi Cain** – for taking responsibility in organising many facets of the class.

## Book Week

This year's Book Week celebrations took on a cross-curricular approach, and involved the Technology Design Cycle and Literacy.

Students were given the task of choosing a picture book from the Library, then designing and creating a 3 dimensional diorama to depict part of the story. Working in cross-age groups of 3 or 4 students provided children with a chance to enjoy each other's company and learn too!

The results are amazing, and have been on display in the Library.



**Front page:** *The Windy Farm* by Harry, Ryley & Madalyn / *Diary of a Wombat* by Larissa, Ariel & Chloe

**Above:** *Diary of a Wombat* diorama by Larissa, Ariel & Chloe / *Queen's Alice's Palaces* by Kiarra, Sophie & Erin

**Below:** *Thumpquack Moo* by Clay, Linton, Amber & Ava



## Playgroup

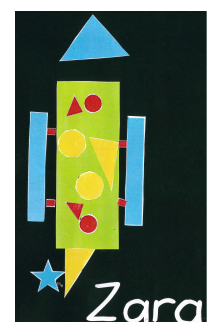
**When:** Tuesday mornings 9:00am-10:20am

**Where:** Junior Primary class

**Who can attend?:** Parents/caregivers and children (newborn – preschool)

It has been wonderful to see so many new and familiar faces at Playgroup recently.

The Junior Primary students really enjoy interacting with the Playgroup children and join in with a variety of activities organised by Teacher Amy Stone and SSO Dee Payne. Pictured right is a wonderful rocket design by Zara Hagger.



The school believes that giving young children positive play experiences as early as possible, sets them up to be successful learners.

## Community News

### Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

. **Friday night teas (first Friday of every month) Next tea:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 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.

### Mypolonga Football Club

. **Junior Presentation Lunch** - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016. 11:00am for 11:30am start. Lunch approximately 12:30pm. To assist with catering, could all football families please provide a salad to share; tossed, coleslaw, pasta or potato. Please RSVP to Cynthia Frahn via text, your family name & number attending before 10/9/16 on 0419826707.

. **Mypolonga Shave Off** - Members & supporters of Mypolonga Football Club are uniting to raise funds for Emma Stewart, a very special lady within our school and local community. Four participants have generously offered to shave off their hair at the above Junior Presentation Lunch on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Online donations can be made via Go Fund Me at [www.gofundme.com/2jcr8zlx](http://www.gofundme.com/2jcr8zlx). For further information, please contact Louisa Oxton 0418859068.

### Mypolonga Netball League Club

. **Junior Presentation Dinner** - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016. 5:45pm for a 6:00pm start. BYO food plates for your table. Teams will be seated together. The club will also supply a plate of warm nibbles and antipasto plate per table.

**RMNA Grand Final/RMFL Preliminary Final** - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2016. This year, Mypolonga Football/Netball Clubs are hosting these two finals. Hosting a final requires the help of MFC & MNLC families and community members to assist with canteen, stall and bbq duties etc. If you are free to help out in some way, please contact Steve Hein on 0408097653, or Mark Pahl on 0429881573. Thank you.

MCSC – Mypolonga Combined Sports Club

MFC – Mypolonga Football Club

MCC – Mypolonga Cricket Club

## Planning Calendar Term 3 2016

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club

MBHS – Murray Bridge High School

6	29/8 Newsletter	30/8 LMP enterprise recess (crumpets) Dance	31/8 MP enterprise lunch (pasta) 3:30pm School Cricket meeting in the library	1/9 The Book Show 2016: "Australia: Story Country" @ the Mypo Institute (whole school)	2/9 <b>SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY</b> The school will be closed on this day. MCSC Friday Night tea from 6:00pm	3/9 & 4/9 3/9 – RMFL 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semi Final @ Jervois 4/9 – RMFL 1 <sup>st</sup> Semi Final @ Tailem
7	5/9	6/9 LMP enterprise recess (crumpets) Dance (final session) 3:45pm Sustainability Meeting	7/9 MP enterprise lunch (pasta) 2:20pm – 3:20pm Master Class	8/9 SAPSASA Small Schools Basketball Competition	9/9 JPR/1/2 enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches) 3:00pm Assembly	10/9 & 11/9 10/9 – RMNA Grand Final / RMFL Preliminary Final @ Mypo
8	12/9 Meetings: 3:30pm Life Long Learning Community 7:00pm Finance 7:30pm Governing Council	13/9 LMP enterprise recess (crumpets) 9:30am – 11:30am P&F Morning Tea @ GCS, Murray Bridge	14/9 MP enterprise lunch (pasta) 2:20pm – 3:20pm Master Class	15/9	16/9 JPR/1/2 enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches) 3:00pm Assembly Newsletter (alternate day due to staff absence) MNLC Junior presentation dinner	17/9 & 18/9 17/9 – RMFL Grand Final @ Mannum 18/9 – MFC Junior Presentation Lunch
9	19/9 2:20pm – 3:20pm Master Class	20/9 LMP enterprise recess (crumpets)	21/9 MP enterprise lunch (pasta)	22/9	23/9 JPR/1/2 enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches) MFC Senior presentation dinner	24/9 & 25/9
10	26/9 2:20pm – 3:20pm Master Class	27/9 LMP enterprise recess (crumpets) 2:45pm End of Term Assembly (held at the school)	28/9 NO ENTERPRISE LUNCH LMP/MP Camp (Arbury Park) JP/JP1 Excursion/Sleepover at the Mypolonga Combined Sports Club	29/9	30/9 NO ENTERPRISE LUNCH Newsletter 2:25pm Dismissal	1/10 & 2/10 1/10 – AFL Grand Final 2/10 – Daylight Saving Time starts

## Mypolonga Primary School

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