

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

29th September 2017
(Week 10 Term 3)



'Life is like riding a bicycle..
to keep your balance, you must keep moving.'
~ Albert Einstein ~

Term 4 2017 Assembly Roster

Week 1 – Kiarra Gillett, Drew Bettcher, Charlie Harrowfield

Happy Birthday

30/9 – Shaylee (Year 4)
6/10 – Hayden (Year 4)
12/10 – Leila (Year 6)
12/10 – Luke (Reception)
13/10 – Drazic (Year 1)
15/10 – Lyam (Year 3)
20/10 – Brandan (Year 3)



With Thanks...

Thank you to David & Ali Crouch for collecting and delivering the school's recycling into Murray Bridge this term.

School Shop

Our School Shop will be open for business on **Friday 6th October 2017** and **Friday 13th October 2017** during the school holidays. All Reception to Year 7 students are welcome to attend, dressed in school uniform, arriving at 11:50am to approximately 12:45pm.

Earn & Learn program

Thank you to everyone for supporting this year's Woolworths Earn & Learn program. We received an astonishing 22,200 stickers, which will go towards purchasing some great resources for our school. Thanks to the MANY students (led by Jamie) who helped Necia in their recess and lunch break to fill the sticker sheets!



A reminder that daylight saving time in South Australia will begin at 2:00am on Sunday, 1 October 2017!

Literacy Cup Points Total End of Week 10 2017

Hindmarsh

3151

Murray

3120

Finniss

3076



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Department for Education and
Child Development

Rita's Roar

Illness has sadly complicated the last two weeks of learning. Lots of kids, parents and staff members, have had, either the flu, or the gastro bug, which between them, has challenged our capacity to deliver quality teaching and learning. Please, please, please, if your children are vomiting, do not return them to school for 24 hours after they stop vomiting. This not only protects other students; it protects our teachers, to deliver quality learning. I am so proud of our teachers, SSOs, and TRTs (Temporary Relief Teachers) who have supported and stepped up to cover each other, over the past two weeks, to enable our school to continue to run effectively.

Canberra Trip

As you would have seen on Facebook, Kerry, Henry, Logan and myself flew to Canberra to attend a STEM conference recently. Logan and Henry met with Senator Penny Wong and MP Tony Pasin at the Parliament House networking event, which we attended with representatives from schools from SA, Vic and NSW.

The purpose of STEM is 'to make the world a better place', and Henry and Logan, who are members of the Sustainability Committee, with their parents, work to make our school more sustainable. We also liaise with the Mypolonga Landcare Group. The acronym STEM, while meaning Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths has morphed into **Students Thinking, Exploring and Making**. We learned that spatial skills are the most important predictor of STEM success.

The biggest predictor of success in STEM

Spatial Reasoning

	Location, arrangement and orientation
	Visualisation and imagery
	Visual and graphic arrays
	Maps and timelines
	Sequencing of pictures and objects.

STEM is one of the 3 priorities of our Site Improvement Plan. STEM aims for our kids to be 'problem finders', so that they can identify problems and then try to solve them.

'Problem finding' tends to be environmental, so the Sustainability Committee will drive this. Stay tuned for a whole-of-school initiative next year.

Condolences

Our condolences go out to current student Maddi Ray, and former student Jamie Rielly, following the passing of their mum Kerry. We also send condolences to Maddi's dad, Jamie and her grandfather, Frank. In times like this, I am so proud of the way our community supports each other, and I personally would like to acknowledge the Scaife/Lewis family, who supported Kerry in her final days.

Warm Regards, Rita

Counsellor's Corner



Student Wellbeing Hub

www.studentwellbeinghub.edu.au

Hi Families

I would love you to check out this website "Student Wellbeing Hub", which is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

The Student Wellbeing Hub provides resources for teachers, parents and students.

The resources are aimed at building an understanding of your important role in creating and sustaining a whole-school culture of wellbeing. They include Healthy Minds & Bodies, Protecting Against Bullying, Respecting Diversity, Building Positive Relationships, Safe & Responsible Choices and Being Safe Online.

Visit www.studentwellbeinghub.edu.au, to discover how you can make an impact on the wellbeing of all members of your school community.

Seriously.. check it out!

Cheers, Kerry

Student Representative Council "SRC"

Introducing...

Mitchell Pahl
(SRC Leader)



As an SRC Leader, I hope to... set an example in leadership.

Something you don't know about me is... I don't drink soft drink or cordial.

I read... fiction books and my favourite is the series 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid'.

I watch... The Simpsons, because it is funny.

I listen to... music sometimes.

One day I hope to... be a Farmer, because you get to drive machinery.

If I could change something in the world, I would... stop murders.

The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is... the School Shop and our class crumpet auction.

Someone I really look up to is... Mum & Barry, Dad & Meagan **because** they teach me things.

SeeSaw

Student Driven Digital Portfolios

By the end of Week 1 next term, all classes will be using an app called Seesaw to share and communicate their learning with families. As you may already know, Seesaw is available on your phone, iPad or computer.

In class, students post updates to share their learning. They post on their own account, which can be viewed **ONLY** by their own parents/caregivers and teacher. (Parents can only see their own child's work - unless another student is involved in the same post).

Teachers will also be using this as a tool to communicate messages and reminders to parents.

Students are very excited to start this online communication and to share more with their parents/caregivers.

Seesaw is a safe online environment for children to learn how to use digital communication systems purposefully - which is part of our curriculum. We are also very excited about the learning involved for children to use Seesaw at school and for the extra communication and sharing with parents. (Students do not use Seesaw at home).

For obvious privacy reasons, photos are not to be used for any social media platform or Internet use in any way if the photo has children other than yours in it.

Below is an example of how students in the Junior Primary 1 class are using Seesaw after learning about Nature Play...



Wow, it looks like you did some great Nature Play based artwork with Mrs. Perry this week! Can you explain what the task was and what you did?
Seen by: Alana Egel, Ashlee Sandercock, Brendan Watts Sep 15, 2017

Alana Egel, Amira, Ashlee Sandercock, Brendan Watts, Mikaela W

Amira I like what we did

Mikaela W We used 7 leaves, 2 flowers, 3 pieces of bark, 1 feather, 7 stones, 2 sticks and some ashfelt

Brendan Watts Very creative. Well done!

Amira What we used is leaves flowers pieces of bark feather stones sticks ashfelt

Alana Egel Creating out of nature is fun isn't it

Like Comment

Congratulations Keeley!

Congratulations to Year 7 student and former Mypolonga Netball Club player Keeley Rathjen on being selected to represent South Australia at December's Pacific School Games. The 2017 Pacific School Games will be held in Adelaide from 3rd to 9th December 2017.



Keeley, who plays with the Contax Netball Club's under 13s team, was selected for the Under 12 SAPSASA side that will compete in December's games.

Keeley competed in this year's SAPSASA tournament at Priceline Stadium from 5th to 9th June 2017. During that week, there were two trials for players from the country. The girls were then shortlisted to trial against city girls and a couple of trials later, an announcement was made that Keeley was in the team.

"It was a hard process, but being announced in the team made it all worth it," Keeley said.

The side will train once a month until the end of October, which will increase to a weekly session from November.

**Photo credit & information Murray Valley Standard*

Student Leaver's Form

To assist staff and Governing Council in planning and deciding on class structures and staffing for 2018, we need to know enrolment numbers.

Parents/caregivers are kindly asked to inform **Rita O'Brien** if their child/ren intend leaving Mypolonga Primary School at the end of the year. We have also developed a 'Student Leaver's form', which needs to be obtained from the school office, completed and returned as soon as possible. Please contact Necia if you have any queries in the first instance.

School Hats

Today, we have sent home all school hats to be labelled (if necessary) and washed, ready to be worn again in Term 4.

If your child is requiring a new hat for next term, they can be purchased from the office;



- . legionnaire \$5.00
- . slouch (without string & toggle) \$7.70
- . bucket \$7.00

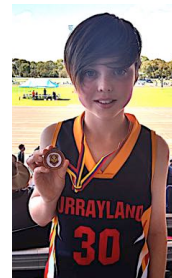
SAPSASA Country Athletics Championships



Congratulations and well done to 10 of our students who were selected and competed in the 2017 Murraylands Athletics Squad at Santos Stadium, Mile End on Monday 25th September 2017. The students' selections at this championship were based on fantastic results achieved at the SAPSASA Athletics District Day held at Unity College recently.

Students who were selected included...

Ava Lindner – 10yo girls relay
Shaylee Martin – 10yo girls shot put
Bella Pike – 11yo girls 800m
Baylee Cooper – 11yo girls 200m & long jump
Keeley Rathjen – 12yo girls high jump
Larissa Pike – 13yo girls discus
Jayda Stimpson – 13yo girls 200m, 13yo girls high jump, 13yo relay, 13yo girls 100m
Benjamin Peterson – 11yo boys 100m, 11yo boys 200m
Clay Burgess – 13yo boys high jump
Linx Baker – 11yo relay



We are proud of all our students on advancing to this championship, with special mention and congratulations to **Jayda Stimpson** who received 1st place in the 13yo girls high jump and **Benjamin Peterson** (pictured above) who was placed 3rd in the 11yo boys 100m final.

Cheers, Hailey

Instrumental Music Performance

On Tuesday, five of our Instrumental Music students (Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway, Coen Martin, Maddi Cain, Keeley Rathjen and Bella Smith) attended the Murraylands Music Workshop & Concert at Tailem Bend Primary School with Cass Martin.

The students had a wonderful day performing in a concert and playing 3 songs with other schools from our partnership.



Class Awards

Term 3 Week 7

Junior Primary class

Lachie Ash – for showing great performing skills on Grandparents' Day.

Akira Harris – for stepping up as a leader when Mrs Stone left early.

Junior Primary 1 class

Amira Egel – for being very persistent and trying her best in everything she does

Haydn Castle – for putting in lots of effort in his football reflection for his Seesaw.

Lower Middle Primary class

Haylee Sinclair – getting a great start on her Information Report this week.

Ledja Gray – putting in an awesome effort at the Kluske Cup.

Middle Primary class

Reegan Candy – excellent soloist performance.

Shaylee Martin – a very helpful student who often thinks of others.

Upper Primary class

Maddi Cain – for mature attitude and volunteering to help.

Thomas Tidy – for displaying flexibility and persistence in leadership.

Term 3 Week 8

Junior Primary class

Luke Stewart – for coming back from a break and being ready to learn.

Seth Ryles – for remaining focused when doing his testing.

Junior Primary 1 class

Ava Hagger – for stepping up and helping with the running of the class in the teacher's absence.

Levi Nutt – for being a responsible leader in the class and setting a good example for other students.

Lower Middle Primary class

Joe Tidy – for showing great enthusiasm in his learning about Scotland.

Ariel Challenger – for being an active and friendly classmate.

Middle Primary class

Jayden Hearne – great use of limited time in making a solar oven for STEM.

Jacinta Clark – for constantly having a positive attitude towards her learning.

Upper Primary class

Coen Martin – for completing a really high standard response writing task.

Keeley Rathjen – for a positive, enthusiastic attitude in class.

Term 3 Week 9

Junior Primary class

Jesse Squire – for producing a fantastic symmetry masterpiece.

Scarlette Fulwood – for staying focussed this week.

Junior Primary 1 class

Mikaela Watts – for thinking scientifically to make predictions in STEM.

Brady Roden – for showing lots of persistence to learn his times tables.

Lower Middle Primary class

Leroy Rathjen – showing leadership when explaining the working out process in money maths with his group.

Tehya Fawdry – for showing a willingness to read more.

Middle Primary class

Jacinta Clark – an assertive student who always gives 100%.

Ethan Kennedy – great effort in his spelling test and getting full marks.

Upper Primary class

Jason Crouch – for developing resilience and positive thinking.

Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway – for great work in Maths and writing.

UNSW Global - International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

Congratulations to the following students on their recent achievements in the English Competition, held on 1st August 2017.



Amber Gielen (Year 7) – Credit

Bella Smith (Year 7) – Credit

Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway (Year 7) – Credit

Zoe Bettcher (Year 6) – Credit

Baylee Cooper (Year 6) – Credit

Jessica (Year 5) – Credit

Isla Gielen (Year 5) – Distinction

Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway (Year 3) - Merit

~ CONGRATULATIONS ~



**Student of the Term
for Term 3 2017**



Upper Primary

Henry Payne



Middle Primary

Rhea Kempe



Lower Middle Primary

Alarah Sipos



Junior Primary 1

Mikaela Watts

Our Students of the Term
receive a \$15.00
Murray Bridge
Newsagency & Toyworld
Gift Card

Junior Primary

Luke Stewart



**Most Improved Student
for Term 3 2017**

Upper Primary

Sachin Bartholomeusz



Middle Primary

Jayden Hearne



Lower Middle Primary

Brandan Pahl

Junior Primary 1

Tegan Elliott



Junior Primary

Winchester Hollitt



Circus Challenge



We all had a wonderful day on Tuesday when the circus came to town! The day began with a whole school circus assembly, followed by class workshops. Our students learnt a range of skills in a 'round robin' format, which they all loved! Thanks Clinton from the Circus Challenge for a fantastic day!






Bikeathon/Walkathon



Our SRC would like to thank everyone for supporting our bikeathon/walkathon held on Wednesday. Special thanks to our many volunteers and parents/caregivers who drove, rode or walked with us or manned a station. We couldn't have done it without you! We will let you know the total amount raised early next term, which will go towards sponsoring our World Vision Child, Bryan from Bolivia, South America.



Mypolonga Primary School		Classroom Enterprise	
Lower Middle Primary Tuesday Recess			
	Icecream in a Cone \$1 each	<input type="radio"/>	
Middle Primary Wednesday Lunch			
	Salad Rolls \$3 each	<input type="radio"/>	
*Choice of ham, chicken or cheese and salad			
Junior Primary Friday Lunch			
	Sausage in Bread \$2.50 each	<input type="radio"/>	
*Please encourage your child to order their own food			
Name –			
*Please order and pay for all Enterprise Food on Monday and Tuesday. Junior Primary Enterprise orders will be taken in the Kitchen and Icecreams and salad roll orders @ Staffroom servery prior to 8:55am. Thank you ☺			
GST included			

Enterprise Recess/Lunch

Thanks to everyone who has supported this term's enterprise recess and lunches. Our students love being involved.

Proceeds from our classroom enterprise days support students' learning and helps subsidise our class camps, excursions and the purchasing of learning resources.

Please remember to order and pay for all enterprise food on Monday and Tuesday at the windows before 8:55am!

Above is our new and exciting menu for Term 4!



P&F NEWS



Quiz Night

FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY
28 Oct 2017

\$10 One Ticket

7.00pm to 10.30pm
Mypolonga Combined Sports Club

TICKETS AVAILABLE - SCHOOL OFFICE
16-24 of October

In Between Quiz Rounds: Games to be played (gold coin donation) points to be won, there will be a small raffle & lucky ticket winner.

Book a table of 10 or come as an individual and join a table.
Bring your own nibbles for your table, bar will be open, sorry no children

Dress up optional, bogan or beauty, lets have some fun



P&F Morning Tea

Rita's Kitchen
MONDAY
16th October

9am

Come and have a chat, all welcome

President: Jodie Hagger Vice President: Lorna Logan Secretary: Claire Garner
Treasurer: Peta Pahl Communication Officer: Danielle Baker
Facebook: [Mypolonga Parents & Friends](#) Email: mypopandf@gmail.com

Community News

Mypolonga Netball League Club

Congratulations to Mypolonga Netball Club's A Reserves team (including teacher Emily Frahn and past student Meg Daniel), B Reserves team (including parent Catherine Challenger and past students Victoria Hughes, Bailee Holmes and Crystal Kluske) and the Under 15 Division 2 team (including Jayda Stimpson, Larissa Pike, Kenz Lindner and past student and coach Bailee Holmes) on winning the 2017 River Murray Netball Association's Grand Finals. Great work girls!

Mypolonga Football Club

Congratulations to Mypolonga Football Club's Under 15s team for reaching the RMFL Grand Final and to the League team for winning the 2017 premiership! It was wonderful to hear & see that 15 premiership players had played **junior** football for the Mypolonga Football Club, including past students Sam Martin, Corey Jones & Jack Kluske! Mypo proud!!

League premiership merchandise including t-shirts, polos, League & Under 15s grand final DVD and baseball caps can be ordered by contacting Steve Hein on 0408097653. Keep an eye out on the Mypolonga Football Club Facebook page for further details.



Mypolonga Primary School

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

Planning Calendar Term 4 2017

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club
RMFL – River Murray Football League

1	16/10 9:00am P&F Morning Tea in Rita's Kitchen	17/10 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone)	18/10 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls)	19/10	20/10 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly 6:00pm Mypo RSL Bingo BBQ tea	21/10 & 22/10
2	23/10 Life Education van Newsletter	24/10 Life Education van LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone) 3:35pm Sustainability Committee meeting	25/10 Choir performance at Murray Bridge Town Hall	26/10	27/10 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly	28/10 & 29/10 P&F Quiz Night
3	30/10 3:45pm Life Long Learning meeting 7:00pm Finance Meeting 7:30pm Governing Council meeting	31/10 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone)	1/11 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls)	2/11 Mypo's Got Talent!	3/11 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly 6:00pm MCSC Friday Night tea	4/11 & 5/11
4	6/11 UP Camp (West Beach) Newsletter	7/11 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone)	8/11 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls)	9/11	10/11 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly	11/11 & 12/11
5 ! No enterprise lunches served this week	13/11	14/11 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone)	15/11 LMP/MP Camp (Aldinga Beach) No enterprise lunch	16/11 JP/JP1 Camp (Adare)	17/11 No enterprise lunch No Assembly 6:00pm Mypo RSL Bingo BBQ tea	18/11 & 19/11
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) Nature play consultation	23/11	24/11 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly	25/11 & 26/11
7	27/11	28/11 LMP enterprise recess (ice-cream in a cone) 3:35pm Sustainability Committee meeting	29/11 MP enterprise lunch (salad rolls)	30/11	1/12 JP/JP1 enterprise lunch (sausage in bread) 3:00pm Assembly 6:00pm MCSC Friday Night tea	2/12 & 3/12
8 ! Last week of class enterprise recess/lunch for the year	4/12 3:45pm Life Long Learning meeting 7:00pm Finance Meeting 7:30pm Governing Council meeting Newsletter	5/12 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 Year 7 Graduation Dinner (further details to follow)	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 Newsletter No Assembly 2:25pm Dismissal FUN DAY!	16/12 & 17/12 16/12 – Mypo RSL Christmas party

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