## **Mypolonga Primary** School & Community **Newsletter**



Teamwork

Integrity

Generosity of Spirit

Excellence

Respect

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015

"The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance."

~ Aristotle ~

#### **Term 4 Assembly Roster**

Week 4 - Baden Monjean, Coen Martin, William Schofield

Week 5 - NO ASSEMBLY (due to camps)

#### **Happy Birthday**

4/11 - Jackson (Year 6)

11/11 - Madalyn (Year 4)

11/11 - Matilda (Year 1)

14/11 - Bodi (Year 7)

14/11 – William (Year 4) 16/11 – Erin (Year 4)



#### World Teachers' Day

Last Friday, we recognised World Teachers' Day, a day which offers us all a chance to acknowledge our teachers and say thanks for the valuable role they play in our children's lives.

Our SSOs provided a surprise morning tea for teachers, which was very much appreciated and enjoyed.



We are sure the Mypolonga community will join us in thanking our dedicated and inspiring teachers Rita, Anne, Mel, Kerry, Kim, Jane, Hailey, Chris and Amy for teaching, motivating and encouraging our children to be life long learners.

"Children are born with wings, Teachers help them to fly"

#### Mypo Mum's/Carer's Night Out

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015 \* Note sent home last Friday \* Murray Bridge Hotel 6:30pm for drinks for 7:00pm tea

Please text by 5/11/15 to Carol Kruschel 0412999645 or Kylie Nutt 0418810264

## Rita's Roar

#### The Snowball Effect

Every time an accolade is given to us it has a snowball effect and more accolades seem to come our way. Someone nominated us for a Brand SA Education Award, which we won for the third time. This made us eligible for the 'Hall Of Fame' award, with which we were also presented. The awards were held at the Mannum Community Club with over 200 people at



the presentation. The award recognised our enterprise programs and the work we have done with the TfEL Pilot. Anne and I gratefully accepted the awards on the school's behalf. At the presentation, we were approached by sponsors of the awards, Flinders University, who offered to fully fund our Year 6/7s to travel to uni to do some workshops, which we are taking up.

Chris Thomson from the Murray Bridge Apex Club nominated the School Shop for an Association of Community Service Organisations Premier's Award. Bailey O'Connor, Jess Donald, Anne and myself travelled to the Glenelg Golf Club last Sunday for the presentation. Jess and Bailey accepted the award and spoke very eloquently to an appreciative audience. They were presented with the award, (which included a cheque for \$1,000) by Rachael Anderson MP, Member for Adelaide. I have since received phone calls from other nominated community service groups, present at the awards, commending Bailey and Jess on their presentation. I have also been asked to address the Soroptimists' Club in Adelaide during the Christmas holidays to tell the story of our school.

SVA (Social Ventures Australia) is a philanthropic organisation looking at models of educational capacity building. Susanne Cridge from SVA visited our school on Thursday with members of the TfEL team. As usual, our students were amazing and captivated their audience with their engagement in, and knowledge of learning, and we will become more involved with this group next year. The feedback from the team was outstanding.

#### **Regional Choir Performance**

I was so proud to have the opportunity to see our choir perform at the Town Hall, even though I had to sit in the sound booth because I couldn't get a ticket! We all need to get behind Murray Bridge High School Principal Phil Fitzsimons, in his quest to lobby the Council and other parties to construct a larger auditorium in Murray Bridge for community use.

Our choir was outstanding, as were the soloists who performed. Well done to Keeley Rathjen, Maddi Cain, Baylee Cooper, Leila Dahlitz and Sachin ('voice of an angel') Bartholomeusz for their great performances. Clay Burgess, rock legend, performed a blistering guitar solo as well as accompanying the choir and Alisha Hutchinson was an outstanding compere who showed great resilience while she was still on crutches. Chris Hodgen, our choir trainer does a magnificent job and we are very appreciative of her skills and knowledge.

#### Premier's Reading and Be Active Challenges

Today, we gave out medallions and certificates for both of these challenges. 100% of students who did not have sporting injuries completed the Be Active challenge and 96% of students completed the Reading Challenge. Next year we want to see 100% for reading!





However, this statistic is still excellent, and because of our sustained good results, Anne has been invited to the Adelaide Zoo later this month, along with Riley Smelt and Amber Gielen to celebrate this achievement. GO TIGERS!

STOP PRESS! Congratulations to Riley Smelt who has been appointed a co-captain of the state SAPSASA Basketball team.

Warm Regards, Rita

#### **Shoeboxes of Love**

This initiative is through the Charity called 'Samaritan's Purse'.

Last term, each class organised how they were going to fill 5 Shoeboxes of Love to send to children in need for Christmas.

Our Value of 'Generosity of Spirit' was certainly highlighted during this time. We were overwhelmed by the thoughtful gifts that came in to fill these boxes. We

could have definitely filled so many more, so a huge thank you from SRC!

Thank you also to Paul Castle (Area Manager for Samaritan's Purse & Haydn



Castle's father), who presented us with this opportunity and guided us through the process.

Our Casual Day held in term 2 covered the cost of sending the 25 boxes and the Kruschel family kindly donated the special shoeboxes for us to fill.

Thank you again for participating in this heart-warming, gift-giving project.

Kerry Daniel, SRC Coordinator Sienna Montgomery-Pittaway & Kyal McDonald, SRC Leaders

## 'From The Proud Mary..

7/09/15

Dear Mypolonga Primary School

My husband and I visited your lovely school in May this year.



What a credit to the staff and students!

The children show great pride in their school. The positive attitude to their studies, activities and manners of students is a reflection of the caring and dedicated staff. The lemonade was delicious. Well done!

Eva Strycharski, Port Lincoln

## Jelly Cups \$1.50 each

## Thursdays @ Recess



(beginning Week 4, 5/11/15 for the rest of Term 4!)
 \* Proceeds to Junior Primary Class Fundraising
 \* Students to order at the Staffroom servery Monday and/or Tuesday mornings please

Thanks for your support!

## Murray Mallee 2015 Regional Music Festival

The Murray Mallee Regional Music Festival was held at the Murray Bridge Town Hall last Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

We performed on the Tuesday night and those students who were chosen for soloist parts did an amazing job, as did the entire Choir. They made their teachers, parents and grandparents very proud!

Big thanks goes to Chris Hodgen for the professional training she gives our Choir students every week.



Regards, Kerry and Kim

# Lower Middle Primary Frog Haiku Poems

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"Haiku" is a traditional form of Japanese poetry. Haiku poems consist of 3 lines. The first and last lines of a Haiku have 5 syllables and the middle line has 7 syllables. The lines rarely rhyme.

Green slippery body
Jumps to catch flies and insects
Small little creatures

Claire, Reegan & Ben

Croaking all night long Long legs hopping everywhere Catching flies all day

Luke, Logan & Kiarra

#### **Class Awards**

#### Term 4 Week 1

#### **Junior Primary class**

**Levi Gray** – a very organised SRC member. **Haiden Squire** – for returning to school with a positive outlook

#### **Junior Primary 1 class**

Tahlia Ross - being a good friend and helper.

**Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway** – a mature and responsible class member.

#### **Lower Middle Primary class**

Jade Burgess – creative writing in RAP.

**Jessica Deane** – great effort to improve her writing in Writer's Corner.

#### Middle Primary class

**Maddi Cain** – having confidence in her ability in Maths. **Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway** – excelling in Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden.

#### **Upper Primary class**

**Bodi Stewart** – for displaying empathy to others in a challenging situation.

**Darcy Elliott** – for a great attitude to Maths problem solving.

#### Term 4 Week 2

#### **Junior Primary class**

**Lila Stapleton** – for showing leadership in Playgroup. **Tehya Fawdry** – for always being a wonderful help in the classroom.

#### **Junior Primary 1 class**

**Zac Kennison** – being an independent writer in Journal.

**Drew Bettcher** – helping others with their learning.

#### **Lower Middle Primary class**

**Ben Stewart** – improved focus in all learning areas. **Georgia Martin** – always having a positive attitude and being a great team member.

#### Middle Primary class

**Baylee Cooper** – excellent independent worker.

Harry Stone - excelling in Maths.

## **Upper Primary class**

**Nick Lewis** – for going out of his comfort zone creating the concert item.

**Paris Montgomery-Pittaway** – for a commitment to always making our class an inclusive work place.

#### **Books & Gifts Direct - Latest Selection**

(orders and money due by Monday 9/11/15)

A selection of books and other items are available to view in the school's office administration area. You can purchase an item by completing the order form included in the display box. Money is also required at the time of ordering. Books are usually changed over fortnightly and each purchase supports the McGrath Foundation.

Where's Wally Wow book - \$20.00 (RRP \$49.99)

**Grow Your Own Fruit & Veg book** - \$15.00 (RRP \$39.99)

Australian Women's Weekly 'Almost Vegetarian' cookbook - \$15.00 (RRP \$29.95)

**Hairy Maclary Favourites (six stories)** - \$12.00 (RRP \$24.99)

**Junior Maths/Science Dictionaries (set 2)** - \$12.00 (RRP \$39.99)

**God Made (4 books in bag)** - \$10.00 (RRP \$19.99)

Dartboard with 6 darts - \$10.00 (RRP \$19.95)

Santa is Coming to Adelaide book - \$8.00 (RRP \$14.99)

**Royal Horticultural Society Floral Notebook** - \$8.00 (RRP \$14.99)

## Middle Primary Mola Art

The mola forms part of the traditional outfit of a Kuna woman (indigenous people of Panama and Colombia), two mola panels being incorporated as front and back panels in a blouse.

Pictured on the front page is artwork by Leah Ferguson and below by Jason Crouch.



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Mypolonga Cricket Club - Tea** Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. Meals served from 6:30pm. \$5.00-\$14.00. All welcome!

Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club – Friday Night Tea Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Meals served from approximately 6:30pm. Christ Church Lutheran – Celebration of Lighting of the Christmas Tree Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015, Edwards Square, Sound Shell, Murray Bridge. Bring a picnic rug. 6:00pm bbq (gold coin donation) / 7:00-8:00pm crafts, story telling, fun activities / 8:00-9:00pm music by the MBHS band / approximately 9:00pm switch on the lights!

**Lutheran Churches of Murray Bridge – Christmas Tree Festival** Friday 20<sup>th</sup>-Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 at the Murray Bridge Town Hall. 9:00am-5:00pm (3:00pm Sunday). Admission free! Gifts and craft for sale. Tea & coffee available.

MILO in2CRICKET Program is the national grass root program for cricket in Australia, with the aim of introducing kids in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to the great Australian game. It provides children with an opportunity to develop fundamental movement skills, meet new friends and have fun with their whole family in a safe and interactive environment. Your nearest Centre will be run at Wanderers Cricket Club, Showgrounds Oval, Murray Bridge, starting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 4:30pm. Every registered child receives a MILO in2CRICKET pack including bat, ball, t-shirt, bucket hat, backpack, drink bottle and other goodies! For enquiries and to register, log on to www.playcricket.com.au and type your post code into the centre finder. Alternatively, phone Dale Osborne 0438758733.



## **Diary Dates**

(further details to follow)

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Mypolonga RSL Christmas Tea @ the Mypolonga RSL

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Carols by Candlelight @ the Murray Bridge Racecourse



MCSC - Mypolonga Combined Sports Club

MFC - Mypolonga Football Club

MCC - Mypolonga Cricket Club

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club Christmas Tea @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

> Planning Calendar Term 4 2015

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club MBHS – Murray Bridge High School

7/11 & 8/11 2/11 3/11 4/11 5/11 6/11 4 3:00pm Assembly Newsletter **SAPSASA** Муро Cricket/ Mum's/Carer's SAPSASA Tennis night out MCSC Friday night tea 5 9/11 10/11 12/11 13/11 14/11 & 15/11 11/11 LMP / MP No Assembly 14/11 - Credit Illawonga Camp Union Christmas Pageant **UP West Beach** (Adelaide) Camp 14/11 - MCC tea from 6:30pm 21/11 & 22/11 6 16/11 17/11 18/11 19/11 20/11 Newsletter Year 7 transition 21/11 -Day @ Unity Murray Bridge College Christmas 3:00pm Pageant **Assembly** Mypo RSL Bingo **BBQ** Tea 23/11 24/11 26/11 28/11 & 29/11 7 25/11 27/11 7:00pm 3:00pm Assembly Sustainability Committee Meeting Mannum 7:45pm 100<sup>th</sup> Year Christmas Tree **Birthday** Festival committee meeting 5/12 & 6/12 1/12 8 30/11 2/12 3/12 4/12 Mypo PS whole Full day concert Newsletter 5/12 -3:30pm Life Long school transition rehearsal @ Unity Mannum day (to next years' Learning Community College Christmas meeting classes) NO Pageant 7:00pm Finance **ASSEMBLY** Year 7 Committee meeting Transition Day @ **SCHOOL** 7:30pm Governing CONCERT \* **MBHS** Council meeting 8/12 9/12 12/12 & 13/12 9 7/12 10/12 11/12 12/12 - Mypo 2:30pm LAST DAY OF Year 7 Graduation Assembly at the RSL TERM 4 Dinner Christmas Tea Mypolonga Combined \* FUN DAY \* (further details to 13/12 -Sports' Club (inc Newsletter Murray Bridge follow) presentation of term **NO ASSEMBLY** Carols by and year awards) Candlelight 2:25pm Dismissal

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