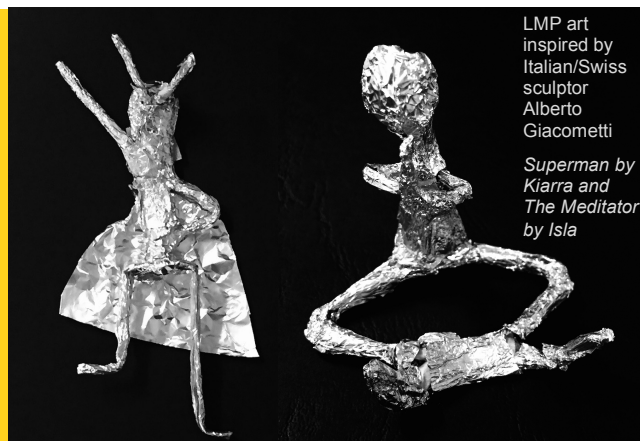


Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

30th November 2015



Teamwork
Integrity
Generosity of Spirit
Excellence
Respect

“Creativity is intelligence having fun.”

~ Albert Einstein ~

Term 4 Assembly Roster

Week 8 – No Assembly (due to Concert)
Week 9 (Thursday) – Tyler Martin, Josh Stock, Craig Gillett

Notes to be returned

- . Concert rehearsal bus permission note (pink) (due 1/12/15)
- . UP Flinders Uni workshop note
- . UP Graduation dinner order form (due 7/12/15)
- . Year 6 jumper/tshirt order forms and deposit for next year
- . 2015 School Magazine order form (\$12.00 ea)

Student Medications

Please note that on the last day of school (Friday 11/12/15), we will be sending home all student medication, which is stored in our First Aid Room. All medications can be returned to the school upon our return in 2016, together with an updated 'Authorisation for School Staff to Administer Medication to Students' form, which can be obtained from the office or printed from our website.

Happy Birthday

2/12 – Craig (Year 3)
5/12 – Joe (Year 2)
6/12 – Maddi (Year 5)
7/12 – Jessica (Year 3)
9/12 – Kye (Year 5)
10/12 – Chloe (Year 6)
10/12 – Ella (Year 1)
11/12 – Georgia (Year 3)

Lost Property

Over the next 2 weeks, we kindly ask parents/caregivers to check our lost property box for any missing jumpers, jackets, containers etc. The box is overflowing in the office administration area and contains items which are reasonably new (including jumpers purchased from Sportscene with our school logo).

At the end of the term, all remaining items will be washed and donated to a local charity or put on our second hand clothing rack.

Thank you!

Rita's Roar

End of Year

We are gearing up with a number of events and functions to celebrate the end of the year and I am really proud of the way our staff go out of their way to make the end of the year memorable, for all of our students, but especially for our Year 7s. We go that extra mile because we are so aware that you appreciate it (especially you Chris Dankel; Cheers!). Our magazine, which contains my annual report is a fantastic memento of 2015 and I encourage everyone to buy one. My children are 30 and 28 years old and I love looking back at the old black and white magazines we produced back in those days and reminiscing about the good times.

Transition Day

This Thursday, most of the Year 7s will be attending transition at Murray Bridge High School, so the rest of the school will all spend the day in the classes they will be in next year. This is very exciting and the teachers are looking forward to bonding with their new classes.

We have used Playgroup as a way to transition our new receptions into school. Last week, we had 53 parents and children at Playgroup; so spending a full day here next Thursday will be very easy for them.

Classes for next year

We have placed children in their classes for next year and we are very confident that they have been placed where they will learn best. Please refer to the note sent home on Friday. The classes and classroom teachers are as follows:

Junior Primary – Reception / Year 1: Amy Stone

Junior Primary 1 – Year 1 / Year 2: Hailey Perry will be on maternity leave. Mikelle Miegel has been placed in this position, however, we do not expect that this will be the final outcome. We cannot appoint a new teacher until Mikelle knows what she is doing.

Lower Middle Primary – Year 3 / Year 4: Jane Rumbelow

Middle Primary – Year 4 / Year 5: Kerry Daniel and Kim Merritt

Upper Primary – Year 6 / Year 7: Anne Martin and Mel Carstairs

Kim will continue with PE and I will teach Reception to Year 7 German

We have had to split some Year 1s and Year 4s to even class sizes.

100th Birthday Celebrations – 11th & 12th March 2016 (long weekend)

Our 100th birthday committee has been meeting regularly to organise the event. Irene Hughes, our local historian has involved the Murray Bridge Historical Society in the collection and preservation of historical artefacts recording Mypo's history.

The Historical Society, Rural City of Murray Bridge and Irene have been very pro-active in getting the Institute ready for the event. The floor has been replaced, air-conditioning installed, and painting will be done in time for the birthday.

They have secured a grant to enable the Men's Shed to build cabinets to display the artefacts prior to and during the festivities. We will also be linking the 100th birthday to the history curriculum in the early years to make the learning more meaningful. I would like to thank Irene, the Historical Society and the Rural City of Murray Bridge for all of their support.

End of Year Assembly

Please note that the end of year assembly will be held at the Mypolonga Combined Sport's Clubrooms on **Thursday 10th December 2015** (not Friday 11th December) at 2:30pm.

The reason we are doing this is because we will be having a fun day at school with water slides, fun stations and lots of cool activities provided by the SRC on the last day of school. What a great way to end a great year.

Don't forget the last day of school (Friday 11th December 2015) ends at 2:25pm.

Warm Regards
Rita

'From The Proud Mary...'



Hi!

Last Friday, 25th September, I was one of the people amongst the bus load of adults who visited your school on that afternoon. We were from the "Proud Mary" riverboat cruise and Roland was our bus driver that afternoon.

This is just a "thank you" for the wonderful reception that we got from you all. The visit was most enjoyable and informative. Yours is a very lovely school and I was most impressed with how well organised everyone and everything was. My wife and I just loved the lemonade and apricots that we purchased.

I took a number of photographs to remind me of your school, the children and the teachers. Our visit reminded me of when I attended primary school, many years ago. I do believe that those days (ie. primary school days) can be the best days of one's life even though we may not think it at the time and one should be able to make the most of them.

Thank you and kind regards

Wayne Julian, New Plymouth, Taranaki, New Zealand

~~~~~

18<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Hello everyone

It was such a pleasure to visit your wonderful school and the marvellous pupils. You are a very enterprising group of children. What a great vegetable garden...would love one the same. However, I have a very small garden! Keep up the good work.

Regards from Maureen at Frankston South, Victoria



## Mypolonga Primary School Concert

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015 from 7:00pm**

**Unity College Steeple, Murray Bridge**

**\* Remaining tickets are available for school families and community members to purchase NOW from the school office until Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 \***



### Class Awards

#### Term 4 Week 6

##### Junior Primary class

**Felicity Donald** – for always having a wonderful smile.

**Kallan Hearne** – for moving up in his reading level.

##### Junior Primary 1 class

**Hayden Dahlitz** – for showing great improvement in classroom organisation.

**Jayden Hearne** – continued excellence in learning.

##### Lower Middle Primary class

**Ethan Kennedy** – showing independence in sentence writing.

**Dallas Harrowfield** – focussed and independent student.

##### Middle Primary class

**Katie Hutchinson** – Impressing her teachers with her leadership and resilience on camp.

**Harry Stone** – taking on leadership roles with confidence.

##### Upper Primary class

**Bailey O'Connor** – putting in extra time and attention to edit magazine pages.

**Tyler Martin** – putting in extra time and attention to edit magazine pages.

### Counsellor's Corner



**Help Kids Tap Into Their Capacity To Be Nice**  
...from a Blog by Michael Grose

Here is another idea following on from Week 2s Newsletter....

One of the jobs of parents is to help kids tap into their capacity to be kind, to be helpful and to be generous to others.

Tips for tapping into.....

2. Help children identify friendly behaviours: Help kids understand how good friends act. Being a good friend means many things such as being loyal, keeping confidences, accepting mistakes and a whole lot more. Help kids understand these friendly behaviours and refer back to them when they are being..... unfriendly.

The saying goes...'do what I say, not what I do' but unfortunately kids will do what you do.

Cheers,  
Kerry



## Mypolonga Primary School Facebook Page



If you are on Facebook, have you liked the official Mypolonga Primary School Facebook page yet?

By 'liking' this page, you will receive recent news, reminders and information on all things happening at Mypolonga Primary School. This is **in addition to** the newsletter, notes and email communication you already receive from the school.

Spread the word and tell other school families to like the Mypolonga Primary School on Facebook!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Mypolonga Cricket Club

**Trivia Night/Teas – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015** (refer to flyer below for details)

**Save the Date! 'Al Fresco night' - Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2016 from 6:30pm at the Wall Flat Hall, Wall Flat**

After a successful event last year, MCC is happy to announce that 'Al Fresco' is back and better for this season. The function will be held once again at the Wall Flat Hall and is a licensed event - No BYO please. \$25.00 a ticket, which will include roast meats and salads, door prizes and entertainment from musician 'Cloudy'. If you missed last year's show, get in early and secure your ticket! Contact Al Schenscher on 0400252952 or email aschens@bigpond.com.

### Mypolonga Netball Club

**2016 Registration Night – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015** at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. 6:00pm-8:00pm. \$20.00 fee required for registration.

**Uniform 'try on' night – Date to be advised in the near future.** In 2016, minis will be required to purchase a body suit. If you have any queries on the above, please contact MNLC's secretary at Mypo.secretary@gmail.com.

### Vacswim January 2016

The annual SA Water VACSWIM program will be held between the 4<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at the Murray Bridge Swimming Centre. SA Water VACSWIM is a government-funded initiative for children aged 5 to 13 yrs to develop their skills and confidence in and around water. Visit [www.vacswimsa.com.au](http://www.vacswimsa.com.au) or call 83622423 for more information and enrolment details.

## MYPO CC PRESENTS:



CATEGORIES INCLUDE: Local Knowledge, Music, Pop Culture, Celebrity Faces, Sport, TV Shows, Australiana, Mypo Sport, 2015 and there is a Pictionary Round!!!

**Where:** Mypo Football Clubrooms  
**When:** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of December  
**Time:** 8:30pm  
**Cost:** \$5 per person

**PRIZES & RAFFLES  
ALL NIGHT**

Teas will be available from 6pm



## End of Year Reminders/Notices

### ♦ Secret Santa

Your child should now have received a note advising which classmate they are buying for in this year's Secret Santa. Between now and the last day of school, the wrapped gift can be handed to your child's classroom teacher or SSO (without indicating who it is from on the gift tag).

### ♦ School Magazine/Concert DVD

School magazines will be ready for distribution at the school's final assembly on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

We will again be recording the school concert for families to buy their own DVD. An order form will be included in the concert program.

### ♦ Concert - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015

The purchase of concert tickets can be made until Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

Please return the note (pink) giving permission for bus / travel arrangements to the concert rehearsal by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015.

A final, detailed note regarding student arrival times etc at the concert will be sent home in the next few days. A program of the evening will be available at the door.

### ♦ Year 7 Graduation Dinner - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015

We are in the process of confirming numbers for our Year 7 graduation dinner to be held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club at 6:30pm. Year 7 families, if you haven't already, please notify the office staff of numbers attending on or before Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

### ♦ End of Year Assembly - Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**Assembly 2:30pm / Dismissal 3:25pm**

To accommodate the large number of families who attend our end of year assembly, we have once again decided to hold this at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. For those of you who don't know, the clubrooms are on your right hand side just past the turn off you would normally take to get to the school. Students will be transported by our school bus and will be dismissed from there at 3:25pm, with their school bag. Our Wall Flat/Caloote bus students will board the bus at the club to be taken home, if required.

### ♦ Whole School 'Fun Day' - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2015

A detailed note regarding our 'Fun Day' will be sent home this week. Dismissal on the last day is at 2:25pm.

***If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact Necia or Annie in the office, in the first instance.***

## Musical Instruments

Students undertaking musical tuition with Peter Longden this year are asked to return their school-owned musical instruments to the office by Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015. This will enable us to conduct a stocktake of the instruments and make sure the instruments are in peak condition for next year.

## ~ ac.care Christmas Hamper ~

### Making Christmas cheerful...

Thank you to those families who have donated food items towards the ac.care Christmas hamper. The hamper will remain in the office until this **Friday (4<sup>th</sup> December 2015)**, which we hope to fill and provide to individuals and families who are accessing ac.care services.

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

### Planning Calendar Term 4 2015

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

|   |                                                                                                             |      |                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                    |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8 | 30/11<br>Unity College 'Step Up' Year 7 Transition<br><b>Newsletter</b><br>6:30pm Governing Council meeting | 1/12 | 2/12                                                                    | 3/12<br>Mypo PS whole school transition day (to next years' classes)<br><b>Year 7 Transition Day @ MBHS</b>                                                           | 4/12<br><b>Full day concert rehearsal @ Unity College</b><br>NO ASSEMBLY<br><b>SCHOOL CONCERT</b>                | 5/12 & 6/12<br>5/12 – Mannum Christmas Pageant                                                                                     |
| 9 | 7/12<br>Upper Primary Flinders Uni campus visit                                                             | 8/12 | 9/12<br>Year 7 Graduation Dinner @ the MCSC (further details to follow) | 10/12<br>2:30pm<br>Assembly at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club (inc presentation of term and year awards)<br>6:00pm-8:00pm<br>MNLC Registration Night at the MCSC | 11/12<br><b>LAST DAY OF TERM 4</b><br><b>* FUN DAY *</b><br>Newsletter<br><b>NO ASSEMBLY</b><br>2:25pm Dismissal | 12/12 & 13/12<br>12/12 – Mypo RSL Christmas Tea<br>13/12 – Murray Bridge Carols by Candlelight (MP class choir will be performing) |

### Planning Calendar Term 1 2016

|   |                                                                                     |     |      |      |                        |             |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|------|------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1/2<br><b>Term 1 commences</b><br>Welcome back!                                     | 2/2 | 3/2  | 4/2  | 5/2<br>3:00pm Assembly | 6/2 & 7/2   |
| 2 | 8/2<br>Newsletter<br><b>Swimming Lessons</b><br>(Reception to Year 5 students only) | 9/2 | 10/2 | 11/2 | 12/2<br>No Assembly    | 13/2 & 14/2 |

### 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

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



## Mypolonga Primary School

Principal: Rita O'Brien

[www.mypolongaps.sa.edu.au](http://www.mypolongaps.sa.edu.au)



17-27 Williams Street  
Mypolonga SA 5254  
p 85354191  
f 85354160

[info@mypolongaps.sa.edu.au](mailto:info@mypolongaps.sa.edu.au)

