MYPO NEWS

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success." Henry Ford

Term 1, Week 2 5 February 2018

Enclosed with this Newsletter

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- . Family Fun Night flyer . Governing Council & subcommittee nomination forms
- . Parent Concerns flowchart

Happy Birthday!

6/2 - Amira (Year 2) 7/2 - Carla (Year 1) 10/2 - Mila (Year 1) 11/2 - Nate (Reception) 15/2 - Tahlia (Year 4) 16/2 - Benjamin (Year 7)

School Photo Day

School Photo Day will be held on Monday 26th February 2018. An envelope to order individual and family photos will be sent home in the near future.

Student Medications

All medications, which are stored in our first aid room, require an updated and signed Authorisation for School Staff to Administer Medication to Students' form. This form can be obtained from the office or printed from our website.

School Newsletter

Each Monday fortnight, our school newsletter is sent home with the eldest child in the family, emailed to families and posted on our school's Facebook page.





Government of South Australia Department for Education and Child Development

Rita's Roar

Welcome to 2018! We have had a lovely start to the year with a great vibe in each classroom. We welcome Jo Wagenknecht in the Upper Primary class with Mel Carstairs, and Jacob Rance in the Lower Middle Primary class with Jane Rumbelow,



who will be taking over the library. We also welcome Kim Merritt back who will share the Middle Primary class with Kerry Daniel. Hailey Perry will continue as our PE teacher. Jo will also be doing some German and Jacob will also be teaching history and geography in some classes.

This year, we have SSOs in every class until lunchtime. This supports teachers to tailor the learning to students' needs, especially students with disabilities. This has a significant impact on our budget, but we feel the benefits outweigh the cost. Cass Martin will also be returning to implement Levelled Literacy Intervention in small groups 4 days a week.

We hope to see you all at our Family Fun Night on Friday 16th February. This is a great way for new parents to meet each other and the kids have a great time swimming. Please refer to the enclosed flyer for further information. The Upper Primary information evening and tea will take place on Thursday 22nd February 2018 (please note the change of date due to the extreme weather forecast for this week). Upper Primary parents, please RSVP to Necia by this Friday. Families who have already provided a RSVP will be carried forward.

At Mypo, we see our Upper Primary students as leaders and try to give them as many opportunities as possible to develop their leadership potential. Last Friday, students elected their House Captains, who lead both Sports' Day and literacy learning across the school. The calibre of speeches was outstanding and I congratulate all students who put themselves out of their comfort zones to apply.

The challenge is for the Gold leaders to inspire their Team, which has never, ever won the Literacy Cup! I hope 2018 will be a great one for Finnis! One of the targets of our Site Improvement Plan is for the R-3 students to read as many nights as 4-7s. Last year, on average, JPR/1 read 161 nights, R1/2/3 155 nights, LMP 155 nights, MP 218 nights and UP 226 nights. 11 students in Upper Primary read more than 300 nights last year! That's real leadership.

Welcome to our 20 new Reception students...



Above: Oliver North, Tayla Roden, Madison Brouwer, Hannah Burdett, Regan Nutt



Above: Charlotte Pope, Jaeden Sargeant, Pheonix Sandercock, Mia Rathjen, Riley Frew



Above: Jakiath Mitton, Lilly Hobby, Shayla Pike, Azalea Baker, Madison Schwarz



Above: Bailey Rothe, Tilly Harrowfield, Xalia Thomson, Ruby O'Shea-Coulter, Nate Edson

Congratulations to:

Red (Murray): Captains: Zoe Bettcher, Ryder Egel Vice Captains: Madalyn Uren, Harry Stone

Gold (Finnis): Captains: Baylee Cooper, Mitchell Pahl Vice Captains: Jade Prosser, Jamie Cekanauskas

Blue (Hindmarsh): Captains: Katie Hutchinson, Benjamin Peterson Vice Captains: Erin McDonald, Kenz Lindner

Reminder: Please do not drop off your children at the back of the school. There is not enough room and a bottle-neck occurs. We need to keep everyone safe.

Looking forward to a great year!

Warm regards, Rita O'Brien, Principal

Reading

To help our young Tigers build a love of reading, the Upper Primary students shared picture books with Mrs Stone & Miss Persello's class last week. Our senior students are proud of the fact they read 5-7 nights a week, which develops their literacy skills and vocabulary, as well as a natural love of engaging in stories.

We want to share the joy of reading with our younger students to help them develop these skills as they grow. Pictured below.. Jackson Ross, Samuel Castle, Jamie Cekanauskas and Pippa Smith.





Class Enterprise



Recess / Lunch Term 1 2018 (Beginning Week 3) Please refer to the order form on

Classroom Enterprise

the left to see what is on offer in Term 1 for our classroom enterprise recess and lunches.

Students are asked to order their food at the staffroom and kitchen serveries prior to 8:55am on Monday and Tuesday mornings.

All proceeds support individual class fundraising, which enables us to subsidise camps & excursions and to support students' learning.

Welcome to our new staff members...

Jacob Rance

Non instructional teacher/classroom teacher

Favourite quote: 'A fail is just a first attempt in learning.'

Best holiday: Hamilton Island Do you have brothers & sisters?: I

have a brother Josh and twin sister Emma.

Who do you admire and why?: Rita O'Brien because she is extremely organised and passionate about education.

Who is the best teacher you ever had and why?: Tony Fielke because he had positive relationships with all the students and made learning fun.



Jo Wagenknecht

Non instructional teacher/classroom teacher

Favourite quote: 'I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

Why do you like working with children?: It warms my heart when students progress with their learning and they can say the funniest and yet the most poignant comments. What is a goal you have for 2018?:

To remember every Mypo student's first name.



Material & Services Fees

School fee invoices and information about payment has been sent home via the beginning of year folders. If you have any questions in regards to the fees, payment plans, or school card applications please contact myself at the school on 85354191 or by email <u>dl.0302.finance@schools.sa.edu.au</u> Note: Fees are due by 13th April 2018. School Card Income Limit for 2018 is \$57,870.00.

Yours kindly, Annie Hughes, Finance Manager

School Assembly

As you may be aware, our school assembly is held in the Library on Friday afternoons between 3:00pm and 3:25pm. Three students (from the Lower Middle, Middle and Upper Primary classes) are rostered on to run the assembly each week. Notification of this is on the front page of our fortnightly newsletter.

Assemblies involve the presentation of awards, presentation of students' work and an address from Rita, our Principal. Anyone is welcome to attend.

If you don't usually attend our assemblies, we would love you to join us when time permits. The look on our students' faces when they see their family and/or friends arrive is priceless!! Experiences like these also help our students to develop confidence when speaking in front of large groups of people.

Wellbeing Wonders

Hi Families... Welcome back to the 2018 school year. My name is Kerry Daniel and I am the Student Wellbeing Leader (previously know as Counsellor) here at Mypolonga Primary School. My role is mostly proactive in supporting students' wellbeing. I support students experiencing friendship issues, anxiety, anger management etc. I ask teachers to highlight any students they may have concerns with but am also happy for parents to chat with me regarding any issues I may be able to support their children with. I am also able to refer families to other support agencies as needed.

Please refer to the enclosed 'Parent Concerns' flowchart if you have any queries or concerns regarding your child. We believe clear communication directly with the person involved will save a lot of time and misconceptions.

I work nine days out of the fortnight with Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday being my teaching days. If you would like to catch up with me, Thursdays or Fridays are the better days. You can email me kerry.daniel277@schools.sa.edu.au or phone the school if you need to contact me.

Cheers, Kerry Daniel, Student Wellbeing Leader

Planner

MCSC - Mypolonga Combined Sports Club / MFC - Mypolonga Football Club

Week 2	Monday 5/2 . Swimming Lessons (Reception to Year 5 students) all week . MFC Under 15s & 17.5s training commences @ 5:30pm	Tuesday 6/2	Wednesday 7/2	Thursday 8/2	Friday 9/2 . No Assembly (due to swimming lessons) . 6:30pm MCSC tea	Sat & Sun 10/2 & 11/2 11/2 - MFC Junior Open/ Registration Day
Week 3	12/2	13/2 . Playgroup commences . LMP enterprise recess commences (ice creams in cone)	14/2 . MP enterprise lunch commences (salad rolls)	15/2	16/2 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch commences (sausage in bread) . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:00pm Family Fun Night	17/2 & 18/2
Week 4	19/2 . Governing Council AGM	20/2 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	21/2 . MP enterprise lunch	22/2 . Upper Primary Information evening (6:00pm tea/6:30pm meeting)	23/2 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch commences (sausage in bread) . 3:00pm Assembly	24/2 & 25/2
Week 5	26/2 . School Photo Day	27/2 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	28/2 . MP enterprise lunch	1/3	2/3 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch commences (sausage in bread) . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:30pm MCSC tea	3/3 & 4/3
Week 6	5/3	6/3 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	7/3 . MP enterprise lunch . MFC under 13s training commences @ 4:45pm	8/3	9/3 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch commences (sausage in bread) . 3:00pm Assembly	10/3 & 11/3

Community News

The **Murray Bridge United Soccer Club** will hold their Registration Information / Player Nomination / Come 'n Try Night on Friday 9th February 2018 from 4.00pm to 6.30pm. There will be a sausage sizzle, and Come 'n Try sessions. New and returning players welcome. All enquiries and/or player nominations to Grant; klenkegc@internode.on.net or 0411 057 039.

Stretch and Balance Classes - Come and join a small friendly group of women who meet weekly under the guidance of a qualified instructor. The classes are a gentle blend of pilates and yoga postures, meditation and relaxation. You will befriend your body and improve your flexibility and core strength. The classes are being held for a 5 week trial in the Mypolonga RSL (next to the oval), beginning at 9.15am and running for approximately 1 hour. Everything is provided, all you need is comfortable clothing and a gold coin donation. For more information, please ring Dianne Czechowski 0407 881846 or Rev. Frances Bartlett 0407 687311.

Congratulations to Meagan & Mark Pahl on the safe arrival of their son Paddy Wynne Pahl, born on 13th January 2018. We wish you all every happiness for the future.

The **Mypolonga Combined Sports Club** will be holding their monthly tea **this Friday 9th February 2018**, and then continuing on the first Friday of every month. Teas commence at 6:30pm and it is a great way to get to know people in our community!

On behalf of the Mypolonga school community, we send our **heartfelt condolences** to the Grove family on the recent passing of Tyler. We send our love to Linda, Lyndon & Alyssa, who was a student at our school in Years 6 and 7.

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