MYPO NEWS

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Leadership is less about what we know and more about what we're willing to discover."

Diane Branson

Term 2, Week 2 7th May 2018

Term 2 Assembly Roster

Week 2 - Katie Hutchinson, Joe Tidy, Felicity Donald Week 3 - No Assemby (due to NAPLaN)

Happy Birthday!

18/5 - Jesse (Year 1) 21/5 - Bella (Year 6)

Literacy Cup Results (end of Wk 1 Term 2 and progressive total)

Blue (Hindmarsh) 233/1151 points Red (Murray) 161/997 points Gold (Finnis) 153/925 points

School Jumpers / Jackets

With the cooler weather approaching, this is a timely reminder that Intersport Murray Bridge and Red Dragon Embroidery are our suppliers for black & gold jumpers/jackets & t-shirts (with or without our school logo). Please see Necia in the office for further details.

Welcome...

Last week, we welcomed student teachers Matt Playford and Chloe Helgeson to our school. Matt and Chloe are both in their 2nd year at Tabor College and are completing a Bachelor of Education

(Primary).

Both students will be with us until the end of Week 3, Matt with Amy Stone in the Junior Primary class and Chloe with Kerry Daniel & Kim Merritt in the Middle Primary class.







Government of South Australia Department for Education

We Roar As One!

Following the tragedies of two families recently, we were overwhelmed by the response of people offering to help to transport children to school. It heartens us, that the compassion in our community is so sincere. We now have rides for the children for the rest of the year... with backups! The parents concerned are very grateful and thank everyone for their support. Go Team Mypo!

We are entrepreneurs

Running a business is hard work. The viability of our School Shop has relied upon teachers, parents and children understanding how important being available to our market is. For 23 years, the Proud Mary has visited us,

because we made ourselves indispensable to the tour. I am so proud of our TIGER community who have allowed our business to continue to grow. Feedback from the tourists overwhelmingly says that this is the favourite part of their trip. I am so proud of the families who brought their children to school in the holidays to do



the 'hard yards'. The fact that all our teachers value and support the program cannot be underestimated.

MP and LMP excursion

Entrepreneurs think on their feet and seize opportunities when they present themselves. Every year, our choir performs a work commissioned by the Festival of Music. This year the work is about the landmarks on North Terrace. Coincidentally, we were asked to participate in the Children's University of Australia program. The purpose of the program is to encourage students to aspire to higher learning opportunities. When we discovered that CUA also subsidises rural students to access programs and performances, we thought it would be great to take our students to see the landmarks they were singing about and asked CUA to fund the bus to take our students to Adelaide. They agreed and also organised a subsidy for our students to see 'The 78 Storey Treehouse' performance at the Festival Theatre. That's entrepreneurial thinking!

NAPLaN

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, the Year 3s, 5s and 7s will be participating in nation-wide NAPLaN testing. If you are concerned please drop in for a chat with either your child's teacher or myself. I remind you all that NAPLaN is one data set we collect and there are many others which give us a more complete picture of progress.

Warm Regards, Rita

Class Awards - Term 2 Week 1

Junior Primary Class

Winchester Hollitt - for always being a fantastic leader and helper to others in the class.

Jakiath Mitton - for always sharing his broad bank of common knowledge with the class.

Junior Primary 1 Class

Samuel Castle - for trying his best in guided reading.

Mila Carstairs - for being very persistent in drafting and editing her exposition.

Lower Middle Primary Class

Zenith Smith - using his initiative to bring an important issue to the class' attention. **Brandan Pahl** - using his initiative to bring an important issue to the class' attention.

Middle Primary Class

Jayden Hearne - always on hand to help out his peers with his IT knowledge. Zac Kennison - an excellent start to the term with focus and behaviour.

Upper Primary Class

Georgia Martin - persistence and a great attitude to new learning in Maths. **Claire Ruckenstuhl** - persistence and a great attitude to new learning in Maths.

2018 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Notes were recently sent home with students who have been nominated by their teacher to sit for the Science, English and Maths Competitions this year. These competitions, unlike NAPLaN, which is for all Year 3, 5 and 7 students, are designed for our 'top' students who have an interest and are skilled in a particular learning area. Please return the signed notes (with payment, if required) to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Murray Bridge High School Transition Evening (Year 7s)

A reminder that the Year 7 Murray Bridge High School transition evening will be held at our school on Tuesday 15th May 2018 from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Murray Bridge High School staff will be available to meet briefly (5 minutes) with parents/caregivers and students to discuss your student's individual needs.

Wellbeing Wonders

Born to worry – Parenting Ideas

Anxiety is something that really affects all of us to a certain degree. However, most of us can manage it. Let's work on giving our children the tools to manage it too. Learning this at a young age will be such an asset for them.

I found the following article on the *Parenting Ideas* website and there is a link at the end to access further information.

'Respond well, rather than react to their anxieties.

There's no doubt that anxious children and young people need careful, sensitive handling from families and teachers alike. They also benefit from parents and teachers who respond to their needs rather than simply react to their anxieties. When we are in react mode we become anxious and worried ourselves, such is the contagious nature of anxiety.'

Over the next two newsletters, I will provide three great ways to respond, rather than react, to children's anxieties:

'1. Draw your child's attention to the triggers

Many children and young people don't know when they are anxious. Over time, help children understand the sorts of incidents and scenarios that lead to their anxiety so that they learn to recognise their anxiety triggers. Encourage kids to stand back and notice their feelings, thinking and reactions to events. When they understand their anxiety they can manage it. When they don't, they feel overwhelmed and consumed by it.'

Get a full blueprint for helping kids manage their anxiety in our new Parenting Anxious Kids online course.

https://www.parentingideas.com.au/product/parenting-anxious-kidsonline-course/'

Cheers, Kerry

Introducing SRC Leader Jackson Ross

As an SRC Member, I hope to... make the Disco more amazing than usual.

Something you don't know about me is... I have 11 cats and 5 kittens.

I read... Star Wars books.

I watch... Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.

One day I hope to... become a video game designer.

If I could change something in the world, I would... end world hunger.

The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is... the awesome teachers and friendly faces.

Someone I really look up to is... my sister Tahlia **because**... she is kind and thoughtful.



School Shop

Thank you to the large number of students and staff who worked in our School Shop on both Fridays of the recent school holidays. We really appreciate the support we have from parents/caregivers who bring their children out to school to work on counters and greet our visitors. The photo on the front page was taken on the first Friday of the holidays.

Letter from School Shop visitor

'Dear students,

While as a guest on the Proud Mary last October, I had the privilege of visiting your school. I met various students who were articulate, polite and very proud of their school and achievements. The handicrafts were well priced and the lemonade was delicious! I have a hand painted door stop as a memento. Well done to everyone.

Kind Regards, Joan Barry, Maryborough, Queensland'



SAPSASA Netball/Football

Congratulations to the following students on being selected in the Murraylands teams for the SAPSASA Netball and Football championships being held in Adelaide from 28th May 2018 - 1st June 2018.

> Mackenzie Lindner Ava Lindner Baylee Cooper Katie Hutchinson Claire Ruckenstuhl Georgia Martin

> > Mitchell Pahl Harry Stone Ryder Egel

Well done to everyone, and we look forward to hearing of your SAPSASA experiences!

Lower Middle/Middle Primary Excursion

This year, our Year 4/5 Choir theme revolves around 'North Terrace'. We decided it would be great for the students to actually SEE the places they are singing about!

Last Thursday, our students received the opportunity to tour North Terrace in Adelaide and to watch their class novel in action '78 Storey Treehouse' at the Festival Theatre. The tour also included a visit to Adelaide University, the SA Art Gallery and Parliament House. We couldn't have timed it better, with the opening of Parliament happening right before our eyes! A few members of Parliament stopped to say hello (including Adrian Pederick MP and Susan Close MP) and we even featured in the 5pm and 6pm news bulletins! Our classroom enterprise subsidised the performance cost and we thank Children's University for their kind contribution towards costs. It was a great day had by all!



SAPSASA Softball

Well done to all our students who represented the Murraylands and competed in the boys and girls SAPSASA Softball championships late last term. Below is an insight into their enjoyable week in Adelaide.

"Participating in softball has made me want to continue playing softball. I learnt lots of new skills and liked meeting new people." Craig Gillett

"We won 3 out of 9 games for the week. We met a lot of people and staying in the West Beach Caravan Park was fun! I also learnt the rules of softball." *Jeremy George*

"Competing in SAPSASA softball was a great experience. We all made lots of new friends, with a few of us staying in the West Beach Caravan Park. Prue McDonald (Erin's mum) was our coach for the week. She was great! Even though we didn't win a game (we drew one game), we learnt to never give up and most of all, have fun! Unfortunately there is no softball competition in Murray Bridge, but a couple of us are thinking about playing in a Mount Barker competition." Kiarra Gillett, Erin McDonald, Madalyn Uren, Baylee Cooper and Katie Hutchinson



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MCSC - Mypolonga Combined Sports Club / MFC - Mypolonga Football Club / MBHS - Murray Bridge High School / MNLC - Mypolonga Netball League Club / MCC - Mypolonga Cricket Club / SVA - Social Ventures Australia / YEL - Young Environmental Leaders

Week 2	Monday 7/5 . External Review . Newsletter	Tuesday 8/5 . External Review . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . 3:35pm Sustainability meeting	Wednesday 9/5 . MP enterprise lunch	Thursday 10/5	Friday 11/5 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	Sat & Sun 12/5 & 13/5 12/5 . Round 6 RMFL/ RMNA -v- Tailem @ Mypo . from 6:00pm MFC teas
Week 3	14/5 . 7:00pm Finance Meeting . 7:30pm Governing Council Meeting	15/5 . NAPLaN . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . 5:30pm-6:30pm MBHS Transition Evening for Year 7s @ Mypolonga Primary School	16/5 . NAPLaN . MP enterprise lunch . Years 4 & 6 excursion to Annie (MBHS)	17/5 . NAPLaN	18/5 . Outdoor Classroom Day . Walk Safely to School . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . No Assembly (due to NAPLaN) . 6:00pm Mypo RSL bingo BBQ tea	19/5 & 20/5 19/5 . Round 7 RMFL/ RMNA -v- Ramblers @ Ramblers . 7:00pm MNLC/ MFC Tiger Ball
Week 4	21/5 . Newsletter	22/5 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . Australia's Biggest Morning Tea (further details to follow)	23/5 . MP enterprise lunch	24/5	25/5 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	26/5 & 27/5 26/5 - Round 8 RMFL/RMNA -v- Meningie @ Meningie 27/5 - RSL annual luncheon
Week 5	28/5 . SAPSASA Football/ Netball (all week)	29/5 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . Year 7 students @ Unity College for Murraylands Middle Years conference . Science competition	30/5 . MP enterprise lunch	31/5	1/6 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:30pm MCSC tea	2/6 & 3/6 2/6 - Round 9 Mypolonga Bye

Community News

Mypolonga Netball League Club/Mypolonga Football Club - Gala Ball Saturday 19th May 2018 at 7:00pm @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

The biggest event on the Mypo Netball/Football Clubs' calendar is nearly here! The 2018 Gala Ball! Band 'All About Her' will be playing, receive a complimentary drink on arrival and enjoy plenty of delicious food! A photographer will be present to capture the evening. This is a great fundraising event for both clubs. Tickets are \$50.00 per person.

For ticket purchases or to reserve tickets, please see Stacey Kempe; comment on Mypolonga Netball Club's Facebook post or see Necia or Kerry at the school.



any queries: please call Sandy (0481 159 373), Neville (0435 339 155) or Necia (0407 794 050)





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