# MYPO NEWS

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

"You are the greatest project you will ever get to work on.

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Awake Spiritual

Term 2. Week 10

6th July 2018

#### **Term 3 Assembly Roster**

Week 1 - Baylee Cooper, Hayden Dahlitz, Fred Schillier

Week 2 - Shanae Gale, Ella O'Shea-Coulter, Lila Stapleton

#### **School Shop open for business!**

Our School Shop will be open for business on both Fridays of the school holidays (13th & 20th July 2018). All Reception to Year 7 students are welcome to attend, dressed in school uniform, arriving at 11:50am until approximately 12:45pm. We very much appreciate the families who transport their children to school in the holidays... a show of true TIGER spirit!

#### **School hats**

Upon our return from holidays (and in accordance with our SunSmart policy), students will be required to wear their school hats for all outdoor activities. This follows guidelines in Cancer Council's recommendations about balancing the harms and benefits of sun exposure. If you haven't already, we kindly ask that hats be returned to school (washed and labelled) by Monday 23rd July 2018 (Week 1). If your child is requiring a new hat for next term, they can be purchased from the office (legionnaire \$5.00 / slouch without toggle \$8.25 / bucket \$7.00).

#### Happy birthday!...

13/7 - Pippa (Year 2)

14/7 - Charlotte (Year 2)

20/7 - Makayla (Year 6)

26/7 - Madison (Reception)

30/7 - Tayla (Reception)





#### We Roar As One!

#### **Reports**

When grading students we report against the achievement standard for their particular year level. If a child is at standard they receive a C. If a child is above standard they can get an A or a B. If a child does not meet the standard they receive a D or an E. In German we don't assess against the achievement standard in the older grades because our students haven't all been learning German for the requisite number of years.

As a parent, I always looked for 2 things when reading my children's reports. Firstly, of more importance to me than their grades, was that they were doing their best and putting maximum effort into their learning. If they were, I felt I couldn't ask for more than that. I also wanted to know if they were kind and respectful to others. If those boxes were ticked, I considered the report a good one. Reception students and students on One Plans are not graded. I want to congratulate our teachers on the effort they put into writing reports. It is a massive undertaking and our teachers work really hard to ensure you are getting accurate information. Feel free to contact your teacher to make a time to discuss your child's report if you need

#### **AED Package recipients**

We are delighted to announce that our school is one of six recipients in South Australia to receive a FREE AED Package from St John, valued at over \$3400 (and kindly donated by Bendigo Bank). The package includes 1x CR2 defibrillator, 1x wall cabinet, 1x signage and 1x CPR poster.

A defibrillator is a sophisticated life-saving device used to treat Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), a condition that occurs when the heart unexpectedly stops pumping due to an underlying medical condition. This will benefit not only our students and staff but the many visitors we have to our school.

To enter the give away, we were asked to tell St John why our school should be selected and we needed to have booked into a qualifying St John course. Most of our staff will be attending the first aid course next Monday, where they will learn how to use the device.

Warm Regards, Rita

#### **Stop Press!**

Congratulations to Rita O'Brien, Kerry Daniel and Annie Hughes on receiving nominations in the 2018 Public Education Awards. The awards recognise the achievements of teachers, leaders, allied health, support and corporate staff across the state. Nominations are made by the general public and colleagues who wish to say thank you for the positive impact people have made.

#### Class Awards - Term 2 Week 7

#### **Junior Primary Class**

**Jaeden Sargeant** – for being responsible for his own behaviour.

**Lilly Hobby** - for always arriving at school with a positive outlook.

#### **Junior Primary 1 Class**

**Isabelle Swansson** - for being helpful in class.

**Lachlan Ash** - for being very responsible on our excursion.

#### **Lower Middle Primary Class**

**Lila Stapleton** - sharing her knowledge about the Cheetah at Monarto Zoo.

**Brady Roden** - learning new strategies to count money.

#### **Middle Primary Class**

**James-Noah Peterson** - always offering to help around the class and support his peers. **Braeden Watts** - showing both bravery and talent when auditioning for a choir solo part.

#### **Upper Primary Class**

**Leila Dahlitz** - for a brilliantly crafted exposition.

**Benjamin Peterson** - for teaching peers and Mrs Carstairs shortcuts in coding.

#### **Junior Primary Dream Catchers**

Our Junior Primary students were recently asked to write down a learning goal on their very colourful dream catchers. Below is Winchester's learning goal.. he would like to learn to count to 100!



### Governing Council Member Profile Introducing... Mel Wilson, Secretary 2018

Where do you live?... Ashbourne Children & year level... Rhea (Year 6) Occupation... Conveyancer

What do you like best about Mypolonga Primary School?... I love that Mypolonga Primary School is a holistic learning environment similar to growing up on a family farm - the kids learn practical skills, a sense of community and responsibility and understand what they are supposed to be learning.

What is your favourite quote?... "This too shall pass"

Why did you choose to become a Governing Council member?... I work full time and wanted to find a way to be more involved with the school outside of school hours. Governing Council allows me to contribute to the school and only requires a few hours a term.



Where do you live?... Avoca Dell Children at this school.. Nil

**Occupation...** Chief Information Officer, Thomas Foods International

What do you like best about Mypolonga Primary School?... Mypolonga Primary School has a proven track record in allowing all students to reach their potential and ensuring that each student has the opportunity to positively contribute to the broader community.

community.

What 3 words would others use to describe you?... Dedicated, Robust, Understanding

What is your favourite quote?... "The past is the past...the future is very exciting" (Chris Thomas, 2016)
Why did you choose to become a Governing Council member?... Mypolonga

Why did you choose to become a Governing Council member?... Mypolonga Primary School displays and enforces values that are closely aligned with my personal values. I felt compelled to join the dynamic and committed Governing Council team.. a decision I haven't regretted.

#### Governing Council Member Profile Introducing... Meagan Wynne, Governing Council member 2018

Where do you live?... Murray Bridge

**Children & year level...** Mitchell Pahl (Stepchild Year 7), Paddy Pahl (Playgroup)

Occupation... Preschool Director

Other clubs or groups you are connected to... Mypolonga Netball League Club committee member, Murray Bridge High School Governing Council member What is your favourite quote?... "The more you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go" Dr Seuss



Why did you choose to become a Governing Council member?... To be involved in the school community and have the opportunity to participate in making decisions to benefit student learning.

What is a fond memory you have from school?... Being team captain of Finnis and winning Sport's Day two years in a row.



#### Class Awards - Term 2 Week 8

#### **Junior Primary Class**

**Madison Schwarz** - for being a confident and enthusiastic learner.

**Bailey Rothe** - for attempting to copy from the board and succeeding.

#### **Junior Primary 1 Class**

**Lucinda Temby** - always having a positive attitude.

**Jai Bowley** - for being persistent and trying his best, even when things are difficult.

#### **Lower Middle Primary Class**

**Zyren Thomson** - writing a very persuasive exposition about his home.

**Kallan Hearne** - being patient with technology during his desktop publishing.

#### Middle Primary Class

**Drew Bettcher** - excellent attitude towards his learning.

**Haylee Sinclair** - for taking responsibility for her learning.

#### **Upper Primary Class**

Shanae Gale - thinking outside the square in Maths.

**Jessica** - for brilliant text analysis and discussion in Cars & Stars.

#### Thank you!

Thank you to students Craig, Baylee Harry, Ben, Rhea, Erin, Dallas, Benjamin and Jade for their invaluable help with catering for Mypolonga Football Club's 90th birthday celebrations held last weekend.

Wonderful, positive feedback was received by the co-ordinators on how all students confidently put in 100% effort into whatever was asked. Their duties included taking meal orders, dish washing, serving afternoon tea and event promotion.

Voluntary hours worked will go towards the students' Children's University of Australia passport to learning.



#### **Governing Council Capers**

The most recent Governing Council meeting in Week 8 was incredibly efficient, completed in a record 30 minutes! We have yet to receive the report from the External Review team but will let you know when it appears on our website. We know our school is the envy of others, exemplified by the reputable Annesley College approaching our Principal Rita O'Brien about delivering professional development for this staff. There have been only early discussions held, nevertheless, a feather in our cap resulting from our students presenting in Canberra last year.

We were pleased to hear from Playgroup that the numbers continue to grow, and from SRC of their recent casual day raising \$240 for a very worthy cause, Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea. Lifelong Learning committee reported on the proposed nature playground, however more work needs to be achieved on design. Our Finance committee continues to oversee a confident budgetary position. In the school holidays, work on the finance office upgrade will commence, and at a future Governing Council meeting we will be presented with a proposal for other projects onsite, including quotes for painting works to be carried out across the school in the summer holidays.

Congratulations to those who have received awards at our end of term assembly and to the staff who continue to guide our community of Tigers. We have taken this opportunity to present the Government of SA 'Premier's Certificate for Recognition for Outstanding Volunteer Service' award to our outgoing Governing Council Chairperson, who spent 10 years providing support to the school. Ian Payne has demonstrated true Tiger qualities and leaves an incredible legacy at our school with some pretty big shoes to fill.

We trust you have been enjoying learning more about our Governing Council members in the newsletters, in order for you to feel connected. Please feel free to touch base with any of us before the next meeting in Week 3. Enjoy the school holidays, hopefully with a few long mornings in pjs and ugg boots minus the scurry of rushing out the door in the cold mornings!

Chairperson, Kelly Kuhn

#### **Enterprise Recess/Lunch**

Thanks to everyone who continually supports our classroom enterprise program. Proceeds raised helps subsidise our camps and excursions, whilst teaching our students food preparation and money reconciliation.

Pictured is Madison helping with her class' enterprise lunch and a note detailing what is on offer for Term 3!





#### School Closure Day (31/8/18)

Please note that the school will be closed on Friday 31st August 2018 (Week 6 Term 3) due to a School Closure Day.

## Literacy Cup Results (end of Week 8 Term 2 and progressive total)

Blue (Hindmarsh) 128 / 1844 points Red (Murray) 85 / 1626 points Gold (Finnis) 101 / 1539 points

#### You've got what? - SA Health

Recently, we have had a number of students absent from school or who have gone home with flu type symptoms or gastroenteritis (vomiting).

\* Influenza is spread when infected airborne droplets, produced by coughing or sneezing by someone with influenza, comes into contact with mucous membranes. It may also be spread by contact with hands and tissues.

Gastroenteritis is spread through contamination of hands, objects or food with infected faeces or vomit. The virus is then taken in by the mouth. Viral gastroenteritis may also be spread through coughing or sneezing.

Control of spread:

#### Gastroenteritis

. exclude from school until there has been no diarrhoea or vomiting for 24 hours.

#### <u>Influenza</u>

. exclude from school until the person has not had a fever for 24 hours (without using fever reducing medication such as paracetamol) and when they feel well enough to return.

Continue to follow good hand washing practices and wipe down all frequently touched surfaces with a cleaning cloth dampened with detergent.

\* extracted from You've Got What?, SA Health. For further information, visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au.

We kindly ask that you follow the above guidelines and keep your children home from school if they develop any of the above symptoms. Thank you!

#### **Coles Sports for School vouchers**

We have been advised by Coles that we collected a whopping 46,387 vouchers during the Coles Sports for School program! This will allow us to purchase some fantastic sporting equipment for our school. Thanks again for everyone's support and happy shopping Mrs Perry! We can't wait for delivery next term.

#### **Murraylands Schools Basketball Competition**

In Week 8, we took 2 teams to participate in the Murraylands Schools Basketball Competition at the Murray Bridge Basketball Stadium. Participants were Katie Hutchinson, Shanae Gale, Bella Pike, Jade Prosser, Craig Gillett, Makayla Stimpson, Erin McDonald, Ryder Egel, Benjamin Peterson, Harry Stone, Mackenzie Lindner, Kalen Fowler, Ben Stewart and Mitchell Pahl.

It was a great day with all students displaying athleticism, sportsmanship and great team play.

The girls' team won 2 out of their 3 games and the boys' team won 2 and lost 2. It was a great effort by all involved.



#### Holiday ideas.. Staff picks

Visit the **Murray Bridge Library**, borrow books and movies, play games. There's lots to do! *Kerry Daniel* 

Visit **Banrock Station** (in the Riverland) and do their nature walk/wetland walking trail. *Dee Payne* 

Visit **Pumpt** (indoor scooter & skate park) or **Bounce** (indoor trampoline park) in Adelaide. *Amy Stone* 

Watch Imps play footy :):) Jacob Rance

Go on the **Dolphin Explorer** on the Port River. Visit the **South Australian Maritime Museum** in Port Adelaide. Visit **Victor Harbor**.. climb the **Bluff**, visit the **South Australian Whale Centre** and take a walk around **Granite Island** to see the penguins. *Hailey Perry* 

Get creative with plaster, paint and craft at the **Plaster Fun House** (Brighton, Unley or Brahma Lodge). *Necia Zadow* 

Visit the Nature Playground at Goolwa. Kim Merritt

Visit **Shell Hill** @ Black Hill (Mid Murray region). The hill gets its name from the deposit of oyster shells + free bushwalking! *Janice Mildwaters* 

Plant a veggie garden or flowers in a pot. Jane Rumbelow

Visit the **St Kilda Adventure playground** or the **Central Market** in Adelaide. *Mel Carstairs* 

Visit the South Australian Museum. Renay Persello

Go to the movies. Sharon Marcus

But most of all... have fun!!

#### Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

All schools are required to collect information about the numbers of students that they provide adjustments to under the Disability Discrimination Act (1992) and Disability Standards of Education (2005). From 2018, this data will be used as the basis for national funding.

The NCCD involves the collection of;

- the number of students receiving adjustments to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students
- the level of adjustment provided to students
- student's type of disability, if known

Under the model the definition of disability is broad and includes learning difficulties, health and mental health conditions. If your child is identified for inclusion in the Collection, the required information will be included in this year's data collection.

If you have any questions about the data collection, please contact Rita O'Brien on 85354191. Further information can be found at:

http://www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability.

#### **Junior Primary 1 Expositions**

#### Kittens are better than Puppies

I believe that kittens are better than puppies and here's why.

Kittens show much more affection. Puppies just bark.

You know your kitten's mood by looking at its eyes. You can't tell with puppies.

Kittens have a quiet voice. Puppies love to bark.

This is why I believe kittens are better than puppies.

by Mikaela Watts

#### Port Power is better than the Crows

I believe Port is better than the Crows because they are better players.

I believe Port is better than the Crows because they win more.

I believe that Port is better than the Crows because they are taller.

These are the reasons why I believe that Port Power is better than the Crows.

by Lainie Peacock

#### **Softball Clinics**

This year, our school was successful in obtaining a grant through Sporting Schools. This gave us the opportunity to access a South Australian softball coach to train and teach all our students explicit softball skills.

The clinics ran over four weeks and all students immensely enjoyed this new experience.



#### Correspondence from School Shop visitor

Dear Ms O'Brien

Recently, my friend & I were fortunate to be able to do a Murray River Cruise on the Proud Mary. The scenery was spectacular, the people who also were on the cruise with us were all very friendly & the crew gave us amazing service.

The wonderful trip was topped off on the last day when we were able to do a coach trip to your school at Mypolonga. What an inspiration your school is! From the moment the coach stopped at the school gate & we were greeted by 3 of your students, to when we alighted from the coach, and you with other students who greeted us, I knew we were about to embark on a very interesting & exciting adventure.

I was especially impressed with the pegs that were attached to your jacket with the names of students who had done exceptional work that morning. One of the people asked you what happened when you had naughty children & your reply was, "We don't have naughty children, only positive ones", which really touched me as too often negative labels are given to children which only continues that behaviour.

We continued to be treated with respect & friendship as we were shown around the school & the many great projects the school is undertaking. I really enjoyed visiting the kitchen watching the students fulfil the orders for the chocolate dipped apricots which were a real treat for me (especially the dark chocolate ones) when I boarded the Proud Mary.

I was overwhelmed by the social skills of the students as I went into the different classrooms & was thrilled to receive from a couple of the Grade 1 students a little heart carefully drawn on a piece of paper.

I heartily congratulate you and your staff & those who originally commenced the many life skill programmes that are continuing in the school. I have told a number of my friends here in Caloundra, Queensland about our visit to the school & just wish programmes such as yours were running in many other schools. We would certainly have more positive students with good self esteem and a great outlook on life.

Many thanks to you and all the staff and students at the school.

Kind Regards, Brenda Sando

### **Term 2 2018**















**Upper Primary** Mackenzie Lindner



**Lower Middle Primary** Jorja Kuhn

**Junior Primary 1 Scarlett Perry** 

**Junior Primary** Pheonix Sandercock



Logan Rankin

**Middle Primary** Judd Ruckenstuhl

> **Lower Middle Primary** Haydn Castle

**Junior Primary 1** Scarlette Fulwood

> **Junior Primary** Shayla Pike





**Our Students of the Term** receive a \$15.00 **Big W Gift Card** 













### Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

This term, Middle Primary students participated in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. In the kitchen, they made a number of recipes including Leafy Green Ravioli with Tomato & Garlic sauce. The pasta was made from scratch and they enjoyed using a pasta machine aptly instructed by Bill. They also made Nasi Goreng which seemed to be very popular. In the garden, the students learnt about propagation. Some planted seeds and some cuttings of plants; some grew in a hothouse and others outside. Their last lesson was used to look at the root systems that grew and reasons why. Next term, we will share with you some of our tasty recipes!

Thank you to the parent volunteers that helped us each week; Nat, Sarah and Michelle, we couldn't do it without you.

### Young Environmental Leaders (YEL)

The region-wide Young Environmental Leaders (YEL) Program, run by NRM Education, is open to four Yr 5-7 students from our school and cluster schools, providing them with fantastic opportunities to develop as young leaders with a connection to, and respect for, their local environment.

One YEL forum is held per term with themes for this year being climate change, sustaining our natural resources, people in parks - connecting with your local environment and water for the future - looking after the River Murray. Forums are based on the environmental themes and include hands-on activities and personal skills development for all students involved.

This term, students Benjamin Peterson, Harry Stone, Mitchell Pahl, Madalyn Uren, together with Jacob Rance and David Hughes, learnt about sustaining natural resources and bio diversity.



#### Terrific Kids Awards - Term 2 2018

In Terms 2 and 4, the Kiwanis Club of Murray Bridge kindly presents a student from each class with a 'Terrific Kids' award who lives our Tiger values.



#### Congratulations...

Junior Primary

Madison Schwarz



Junior Primary 1
Lucinda Temby

Lower Middle Primary

Ava Hagger



Middle Primary Haylee Sinclair



**Upper Primary Leah Ferguson** 

#### Lower Middle Primary - Cheetah talk

The Lower Middle Primary class were very fortunate to have a visit from Michelle Lloyd who works with the cheetah at Monarto Zoo.

Michelle's talk provided the children with an excellent opportunity to learn about the cheetah and how the zoo provides a suitable environment for these African animals.

Michelle is pictured right with daughters Autumn and Lila.



#### **SAPSASA Soccer**

Last week, Erin McDonald and I participated in the SAPSASA Girls Soccer carnival.

It was my first SAPSASA experience and I really enjoyed it. The Adelaide teams were very rough players and we had many injuries throughout the week. The Murraylands team (my team) did not win any games, however we did score 5 goals during the week. On Tuesday, we were very close to winning.

Despite the fact that we didn't win any games, we all enjoyed ourselves and I made some new friends, ones that I will never forget because they supported me



all the way. We didn't win but that didn't stop us from inspiring others and being the best we could be!

by Rhiannon Bowley

Teamwork | Integrity | Generosity of Spirit | Excellence | Respect

Wypolonga Primary School

#### **Planner - Term 3**

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 1	23/7	24/7 . No Playgroup (starts week 2) . LMP enterprise recess	25/7 . MP enterprise lunch	26/7 . JP1 Old Tailem Town excursion	27/7 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	28/7 & 29/7 . 28/7 RMFL / RMNA -v- Imps @ Mypo (incl home match teas from 6:00pm)
Week 2	30/7 . Newsletter	31/7 . Playgroup commences for the term . English competition . LMP enterprise recess . 3:35pm Sustainability meeting	1/8 . MP enterprise lunch	2/8	3/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:00pm MCSC tea	4/8 & 5/8 . 4/8 RMFL / RMNA - Mypolonga bye
Week 3	6/8 .3:35pm Life Long Learning meeting .7:00pm Finance Meeting .7:30pm Governing Council Meeting	<b>7/8</b> . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	8/8 . MP enterprise lunch	9/8 . Life Education van	10/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . Life Education van . 3:00pm Assembly	11/8 & 12/8 . 11/8 RMFL / RMNA -v- Jervois @ Jervois
Week 4	13/8 . Newsletter	14/8 . Playgroup . Maths competition . LMP enterprise recess	15/8 . MP enterprise lunch	16/8	17/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly . Mypo RSL bingo/ bbq tea 6:00pm tea/ 7:15pm bingo	18/8 & 19/8 . 18/8 RMFL / RMNA -v- Mannum @ Mannum
Week 5	20/8	21/8 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	22/8 . MP enterprise lunch	23/8	24/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	25/8 & 26/8 . 25/8 RMFL/ RMNA -v- Meningie @ Mypo
Week 6	27/8 . Newsletter	28/8 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	29/8 . MP enterprise lunch	30/8	31/8  School Closure Day (the school will be closed on this day)	1/9 & 2/9 . 1/9 RMFL/ RMNA Qualifying Final @ Jervois . 2/9 RMFL/ RMNA Elimination Final @ Tailem

#### **Community News**

Mypolonga Combined Sports Club Next Friday night tea: from 6:00pm Friday 3rd August 2018. Everyone welcome!

Mypolonga Football Club Next home match tea: from 6:00pm Saturday 28th July 2018. All welcome!

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