

MYPO NEWS

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Live to Learn, and you will really Learn to Live."

John C Maxwell, American author, speaker and pastor who has written many books, primarily focusing on leadership.

Term 3, Week 2

30th July 2018

Term 3 Assembly Roster

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

Week 3 - Mackenzie Lindner, Judd Ruckenstuhl, Brandan Pahl

Playgroup

A reminder that Playgroup commences tomorrow from 9:00am to 10:15am. Please remember to sign in/out, using the Playgroup register located outside the Junior Primary classroom.

School Closure Day *Change of Date*

Please note that we have had to change the date of our School Closure Day. This will now be held on Monday 3rd September 2018. A whole school performance by Taikoz will be held on Friday 31st August 2018.

Happy birthday!...

1/8 - Zyren (Year 4)
1/8 - Ruby (Reception)
5/8 - Makayla (Year 2)
7/8 - Lucinda (Year 1)
8/8 - Noah (Year 1)
9/8 - Jeremy (Year 7)
9/8 - Lilly (Year 2)
10/8 - Jakiath (Reception)

School Hats

Just a reminder that we are now wearing hats for all outside activities. If your child is in need of a new hat, please see Necia in the office.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

We Roar As One!

We have received the final report following the External Review in Term 2. The report identified the following effective practice:

'During the review process, the panel verified the following effective practice that is contributing significantly to school improvement at Mypolonga Primary School.

Effective practice in school community partnerships was evident at the school. All stakeholders, students, parents and staff provided a number of examples of how students have the opportunity to have an authentic influence on school life. Some examples included students' involvement in school committees where their opinions are valued, contributing to the development of improvement plans, and taking responsibility in running the school shop.

Effective leadership was clear, with the leadership team highly respected in the community. The leadership team supports staff in their learning and incorporates both school and partnership priorities into their improvement work. The whole school community is committed to providing their children with a quality education. This was evidenced through discussions with staff, parents and governing councillors.'

The purpose of the review is to support schools to determine future directions. The panel made 3 recommendations which reflect very much our current improvement agenda:

'Mypolonga Primary School demonstrated it has developed a culture of improvement characterised by high expectations for students and working effectively in partnership with parents and stakeholders.

The principal will work with the education director to implement the following directions:

1. Strategically strengthen each teacher's capacity to more independently collate, analyse and respond to a range of data at the individual, class and school levels to more effectively impact on planning for the varying learning needs of students.
2. Strengthen site improvement plan processes through the inclusion and alignment of specific student-centred goals and targets across the identified priorities.
3. Collaboratively strengthen teachers' capacity to design and implement learning experiences that further enable differentiation, intellectual stretch and challenge to be an integral aspect of everyday learning for all students.

Based on the school's current performance, Mypolonga Primary School will be externally reviewed again in 2022'.

The full report is available for you to read on our website.

Warm Regards, Rita

Master Class

Thursdays: 30th August 2018 & 6th September 2018

Wednesdays: 12th September 2018 & 19th September 2018
from 2:20pm to 3:20pm

We are kindly looking for parents, friends and/or community members to help with, or run a Master Class again this year. Our students love this program and we could not run it without your help! Over the years, Master Classes have been as varied as volleyball, basketball, lego, campfires, art & craft and cooking.

Please refer to the note enclosed in this newsletter and contact Kerry Daniel if you have any queries.

Footsteps Dance Company

For our specialised fitness sessions this year, the school has engaged the services of Footsteps Dance Company, which offers a curriculum based school dance program. The program uses dance as a vehicle to develop students' inter/intra personal skills, fitness levels and provides teachers with classroom resources. The 5 week program will begin on 7th August 2018 (week 3). The cost of these sessions is included in your school fees.

UNSW Global - International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

Congratulations to the following students on their fantastic achievements in the recent Science Competition, held on 29th May 2018:

Hayden Dahlitz (Year 5) - Credit
Linx Baker (Year 6) - Merit

Well done boys!

Literacy Cup Results (end of Week 1 Term 3 and progressive total)

Blue (Hindmarsh) 199 / 2333 points

Red (Murray) 165 / 2040 points

Gold (Finnis) 163 / 1946 points

Maker's Empire Showcase Day

On Thursday 5th July 2018, Jade Burgess, Jamie Cekanuskas, Jacinta Clark, Shaylee Martin and Mrs Wagenknecht were lucky enough to go to the Adelaide Convention Centre for the Maker's Empire Showcase Day. Forty-five schools participated by showing their 3D printing creations.

Firstly, we set up our display. Mandy from Maker's Empire welcomed all the schools, followed by Welcome to Country and then we had some morning tea. We then visited the other interesting displays. At each display we asked questions like; What was your focus question? What was your favourite creation? What gave you this idea? What went wrong? While we chatted, the teachers or students stamped our event card. We all took turns in discussing our learning focus and designs at our display.



The Minister of Education, John Gardner, gave an encouraging speech. The video winners were announced and they all will be given a new 3D printer. After an exciting day, it was time to go back to school.

We were so happy to be chosen to go to this STEM excursion. It was fun and interesting learning about other schools' designs. Thank you to Mrs Wagenknecht for taking us.

by Shaylee, Jade, Jacinta and Jamie

Junior Primary 1 reflection - Old Tailem Town Excursion

"In Terms 1 and 2, our Junior Primary 1 class learnt about the 'past' and the 'present' in History. Last Thursday, we travelled to Old Tailem Town to see what the past was like. The day began with a visit to an olden-days school. Before school started, an assembly was held, where we had to get our nails checked to make sure they were not too long. We also had to check that our shoes were tied up. We marched into the classroom, sang "God Save the King", and learnt how people were taught to read, what they wore and what the school rules were. After the 'inspector' dismissed us, we had a chance to explore the Old Town. We saw an old chemist, dentist, post office, hospital, cinema and much more. We walked through houses that people used to live in...even one where the walls were made out of cow dung!

We had a very fun day of learning!"



Class Awards - Term 3 Week 1

Junior Primary Class

Tayla Roden - a very positive start to the term.
Charlotte Pope - stepping out of her comfort zone to be a SRC representative.

Junior Primary 1 Class

Aila Young - for trying really hard to learn her spelling words.
Amira Egel - for putting in lots of effort to learn her times tables.

Lower Middle Primary Class

Ledja Gray - Generosity of Spirit! For being willing to help others in the classroom.
Ava Hagger - always going above and beyond with her learning.

Middle Primary Class

Jacinta Clark - 'Wowing' Mrs O'Brien in German.
Shaylee Martin - always putting in extra effort towards her learning and engaging in all tasks.

Upper Primary Class

Linx Baker - for challenging himself to master Year 7 Maths.
Dallas Harrowfield - gaining confidence to offer opinions and ideas in Maths.

SAPSASA Athletics District Day

Congratulations and good luck to all our students competing in the SAPSASA Athletics District Day at Unity College this Thursday. Students were selected for this event based on fantastic results achieved at our school sports' day. We know all students will do us proud!

Life Education Program

The annual Life Education program will be held at the Mypolonga Institute next week to teach age appropriate, curriculum based modules to all our students, which focuses on issues around food and nutrition, personal safety, physical activity, cyber safety, safety with medicine and legal drugs; tobacco, alcohol and caffeine.

Absences

If your child is away from school, parents/caregivers (not siblings or friends) must provide a reason for absence (ie. illness or family). This may comprise a note in the student's diary/communication folder, a phone call or email to (info@mypolongaps.sa.edu.au). You may also leave a message on the school's answering machine during out of school hours. Families seeking extended leave (5 school days or more) for family holidays, must apply in writing to the school for an exemption, using the appropriate form available from the office or our website.

Middle Primary Artwork - The Starry Night

Students in the Middle Primary class recently learnt about the artwork of Vincent van Gogh. Vincent van Gogh was a Dutch post-impressionist painter, who in June 1889 created an oil on canvas called *The Starry Night*. It depicts the view from the east-facing window of his asylum room at Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, just before sunrise, with the addition of an idealized village. The original has been in the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City since 1941 and is regarded as among Van Gogh's finest works, *The Starry Night* is one of the most recognized paintings in the history of Western culture.

Our students were asked to recreate their own *The Starry Night* using oil pastels, which are now proudly on display in the classroom. Below is artwork by Elouise Kuhn.



Governing Council Member Profile

Introducing... David Garner, Governing Council Member 2018

Where do you live?... Mypolonga

Children & year level... Linton (Year 3)

Occupation... Police Officer

Other Clubs or groups you are connected to... Mypolonga Shukokai Karate Alliance (proprietor and instructor), Mypolonga Football Club (Under 9s committee representative), Woolshed Road (band member), Murray Bridge Little Athletics (Vice President).

What do you like best about Mypolonga Primary School?... Sense of community.. when I went to school in the UK, there was no chance of a Year 6 student (primary school finished at Year 6) knowing a Reception child, let alone talking to them.

What three words would someone use to describe you?... 'Police' 'Man' 'Dave' - thanks Mrs Stone!

What is a fond memory you have from school?...

. rolling down the grassy hill. Every UK school seemed to have a grassy hill that students rolled down; was probably where they buried all the builder's rubble!

. still in touch with Primary School teacher via Facebook - Mr Hutchings who was my first guitar teacher.



Teamwork

Integrity

Generosity of Spirit

Excellence

Respect

Est. 1916

Mypolonga 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 2	30/7 . Junior Primary Woolworths Fresh Food Kids Discovery Tour . Newsletter	31/7 . Playgroup commences for the term . LMP enterprise recess . 3:35pm Sustainability meeting	1/8 . MP enterprise lunch . English competition	2/8 . SAPSASA Athletics District Day @ Unity College	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	7/8 . Playgroup . Dance (whole school) . LMP enterprise recess	8/8 . MP enterprise lunch	9/8 . Life Education program	10/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . Life Education program . 3:00pm Assembly	11/8 & 12/8 . 11/8 RMFL / RMNA -v- Jervois @ Jervois
Week 4	13/8 . Newsletter	14/8 . Playgroup . Dance (whole school) . 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 . Dance (whole school) . 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 inc. teas
Week 6	27/8 . Newsletter	28/8 . Playgroup . Dance (whole school) . LMP enterprise recess	29/8 . MP enterprise lunch	30/8 . Master Class	31/8 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . Taikoz performance (whole school) . 3:00pm Assembly	1/9 & 2/9 . 1/9 RMFL / RMNA Qualifying Final @ Jervois . 2/9 RMFL / RMNA Elimination Final @ Taillem & Father's Day
Week 7	3/9 School Closure Day (the school will be closed on this day)	4/9 . Playgroup . Dance (whole school) . LMP enterprise recess . 3:35pm Sustainability meeting	5/9 . MP enterprise lunch	6/9 . Master Class	7/9 . JP/JP1 enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	8/9 & 9/9 . 8/9 RMFL / RMNA 2nd Semi Final @ Mannum . 9/9 RMFL / RMNA 1st Semi Final @ Imps

Community News

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

Mypolonga RSL Next Bingo/BBQ tea: Friday 17th August 2018. 6:00pm tea/7:15pm bingo. A salad to share would be appreciated. All welcome!

Mypolonga Football Club Next home match tea: from 6:00pm Saturday 25th August 2018. All welcome!

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