

MYPO NEWS

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Excellence is the gradual result of always striving to do better."

Patrick Riley is an American professional basketball executive and a former coach and player in the National Basketball Association.

Term 4, Week 6 19th November 2018

Term 4 Assembly Roster

Week 6 - **No Assembly** due to White Ribbon excursion

Week 7 - Craig Gillett, Ava Lindner, Brandan Pahl

Happy birthday!

20/11 - Xalia (Reception)

22/11 - Zoe (Year 7)

22/11 - Leroy (Year 5)

23/11 - Bella (Year 2)

26/11 - Seth (Year 1)

27/11 - Charlotte (Reception)

28/11 - Koby (Year 5)

29/11 - Pheonix (Reception)

30/11 - Riley (Year 5)

2/12 - Craig (Year 6)

Enclosed in this Newsletter

- . 2018 school magazine order form (form and payment to be returned by 30/11/18)
- . Concert Rehearsal travel arrangement form (to be returned by 30/11/18)
- . Concert ticketing information

Notes to be returned

- . SRC Fun Day travel note and commitment to pay (return by 21/11/18)
- . Secret Santa note (return by 23/11/18)
- . LMP/MP consent for concert practice on 28/11/18 (return by 23/11/18)

Literacy Cup Results (progressive and end of Week 5 Term 4)

Blue (Hindmarsh) 46 / 3598 points

Red (Murray) 55 / 3360 points

Gold (Finnis) 42 / 2950 points



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Department for Education

We Roar As One!

Children's University

Last Tuesday night, 82 people from our school attended the inaugural graduation from the Children's University of Australia in Bonython Hall. I was so proud of our families who embraced this wonderful opportunity. Our very strong belief is that learning happens everywhere, and to be critically curious you need to recognize and seize opportunities when they arise. The Children's University program very much reflects our thinking and acknowledges students who accumulate over 30 hours of learning outside of school. We were thrilled when some students reached over 100 hours in total, (Kiarra, Jade P and Leah), but also that every Upper Primary student successfully graduated. Watching our parents showing absolute pride in their children's achievements was such a pleasure and we couldn't have been prouder teachers!



Camps

I would like to acknowledge the hard work our staff does to organise school camps each year. I would also like to thank volunteers who give up their time to meet the adult/student ratios required to ensure everyone is kept safe. This year, we had some special volunteers: Danielle Monjean, who did her teaching prac in Renay's class and still volunteers every week, and Matt Playford who did his teaching prac in Amy's class. The dedication and commitment of our young aspiring teachers is very commendable, and our children's future is in good hands.

Accolades

So proud of Annie and David's daughter Catherine who won the SA Tourism Student of the Year, while at the same time Proud Mary won the 'Specialised Tourism Services' award. For 23 years we have had a relationship with the Proud Mary. I am so proud of how our belief in being enterprising, continues to inspire our students to challenge themselves to achieve amazing goals. Catherine, Dorrie and Irene will be so proud xx.

Social Ventures Australia

We are recognised by SVA as a 'Star Hub' school, high performing, low socio-economic schools. The Department for Education supports us financially to be a part of this program. As you read this newsletter I will be, along with my colleagues from Jervis and Murray Bridge High, attending a conference in the Hunter Valley on Monday and Tuesday.

One month to go; we are currently working feverishly to ensure all of our end of year commitments are on track. It's go, go, go!

Warm Regards, Rita

Class Awards - Term 4 Week 4

Junior Primary Class

Oliver North - for showing true bravery when showing the class his operation 'special spot'.

Madison Schwarz - for pushing herself and succeeding in guided reading.

Junior Primary 1 Class

Luke Stewart - being kind and respectful to all his peers.

Scarlett Perry - being a good role model.

Lower Middle Primary Class

Fred Schillier - excellent teamwork and problem solving in Marble Ball Challenge.

Madison Ray - excellent co-operation and teamwork in Marble Roll Challenge.

Middle Primary Class

Leroy Rathjen - showing a willingness to help others in digital technologies and in the yard.

James Mueller - showing a positive attitude and valuable contributions during LLI.

Upper Primary Class

Jade Prosser - always giving 100% across all areas, particularly Maths.

Leah Ferguson - always giving 100% across all areas.



Mypolonga Primary School Concert

Friday 7th December 2018

From 7:00pm

Unity College Steeple, Murray Bridge

Tickets will be available to purchase from the school office from 8:30am

THIS Wednesday 21st November 2018

\$5.00 per seat

(children under the age of 4 are free but still require a ticket for seating purposes)

(Please refer to the note enclosed with this newsletter)

SRC Casual Day

Next Thursday, 29th November 2018, we will be holding a Casual Day to raise money for the 'Tisamale Project'. The project helps a group of young African students come to South Australia to study conservation at Monarto Zoo. They may even visit our school! Anne Martin will be helping with the coordination of this.

Introducing SRC Year 6 representative... Jessica

As an SRC Leader, I hope to... have a positive impact on the school.

Something you don't know about me is... I have six pets.

I read... fiction books.

I watch... Harry Potter movies.

I listen to... pop music.

One day I hope to... travel around the world.

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

The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is... the School Shop and caring community.

Someone I really look up to is... my mum and dad because they are kind and good role models.

Wellbeing Wonders

Taken from www.parentingideas.com.au

Teach Kids to think before they jump...to conclusions

"Many children jump to conclusions when negative situations occur, which means they think and act impulsively rather than check out possible causes of events. These automatic responses may be justified as they are in line with past events, but in reality they are the least likely explanations.

For example, a boy is walking through the school yard and he's hit in the face by a football. He automatically thinks someone is trying to hurt him. This is more likely if he has been on the receiving end of some rough treatment in the past.

But if he stops and thinks about, it the most likely scenario would be that it was merely a ball kicked out of bounds by some kids involved in a game.

Similarly, a child who waits outside a shop for his friends who are ten minutes late may jump to the wrong conclusions and think, that they have ditched her. She could easily catastrophise and think that they have schemed against her, that they tricked her into going to the shops and they were never going to meet her. They just wanted to make a fool of her. The whole situation was a set-up.

Pessimistic thinking involves this type of quick escalation into the realms of the unlikely, which can leave you feeling physically and emotionally exhausted.

If this girl were to slow down and think through the options, then it's fairly clear there are a number of more likely scenarios such as, they missed a bus; they were held up; no one has a watch; or they are notoriously unreliable anyway. Slowing down your thinking is a great resilience skill that we all should practise.

Parents should model this type of thinking out loud so kids see how it's done. If you are the type of parent who instantly looks for the negative side and then builds a mountain out of a molehill in no time, learn to slow down and think through the likely options out loud so your kids can hear how it's done.

This can be challenging as modern media has a propensity to focus on worst case scenarios in many news items, normalising the notion of catastrophising.

Media grabs and headlines frequently feature worst case scenarios such as 'The worst recession in years...', 'Record drought figures.....', 'Poll figures spell defeat for the government.' The propensity for highlighting the worst case rather than more likely scenarios teaches us to think the same.

The good news is we can think differently and teach our kids to do the same."

Most teachers talk about the 'catastrophe scale' in their classrooms, bringing yard or classroom problems into perspective. You could also use this at home.

Cheers, Kerry

Class Awards - Term 4 Week 5

Junior Primary Class

Crystal McDonald - for being so brave at camp.

Regan Nutt - for being a great leader on camp.

Junior Primary 1 Class

Sophie Brouwer - being very responsible on camp and being a leader by helping younger students.

Lainie Peacock - giving good advice to her peers who felt unsure about camp.

Lower Middle Primary Class

Jorja Kuhn - for always being on task and taking pride in her Guided Reading summaries.

Ava Hagger - showing good leadership qualities and always following class rules.

Middle Primary Class

Braeden Watts - improved attention and engagement in all class activities.

Drew Bettcher - always happy to lend a hand and find the positive side of things.

Upper Primary Class

Baylee Cooper - showing resilience and facing fears on camp.

Bella Pike - stepping out of her comfort zone in concert item.

Premier's Reading Challenge Party

Congratulations to all the children who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. To celebrate this achievement, we will be having a party at recess on Thursday 29th November 2018.

Certificates and medals will be handed out at the party.

Congratulations JP1 Class!

Last term, Miss Persello's 1/2 class entered a national competition through the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. They won 3rd prize with their video entry and won a new hand mixer for our school. The top three videos were shown at the Stephanie Alexander conference in Melbourne and were published on YouTube. Congratulations!

To view the award winning video, please click or visit the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d9MXOC6sQ-E>

Upper Primary Years 6/7 Aquatics Camp

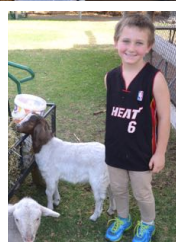
Our Upper Primary students enjoyed an 'action packed' three days at the Murraylands Aquatic Centre last week. Water activities included catamarans, kneeboarding, water skiing, kayaks, canoeing, small boat handling and stand up paddle boarding.

Night activities included storm the lantern, ten pin bowling at Bridge Bowl and attending the Children's University graduation in Adelaide!



Junior Primary Years R/1 / Junior Primary Years 1/2 Camp

Miss Persello and Mrs Stone's class spent last Wednesday and Thursday on camp at Narnu Farm on Hindmarsh Island. They were hard at work feeding the deers, chickens, calves, peacocks, goats, pig and emu and learning how to make butter, hand ploughing and black smithing. They loved meeting and feeding all 23 horses and they even got to ride one of the horses!



Teamwork

Integrity

Generosity of Spirit

Excellence

Respect

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Mypolonga Primary School

Planner - Term 4

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 6	19/11 . Newsletter	20/11 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	21/11 . MP enterprise lunch . Premier's Be Active Challenge excursion (LMP class only)	22/11	23/11 . White Ribbon excursion into Murray Bridge . No School Shop . No enterprise recess . No assembly	24/11 & 25/11 . 25/11 White Ribbon Day
Week 7	26/11 . 6:30pm <i>proposed</i> Finance Meeting	27/11 . Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	28/11 . LMP/MP concert practice @ Unity . MP enterprise lunch	29/11 . SRC Casual Day . Premier's Reading Challenge Party @ recess	30/11 . JP/JP1 enterprise recess . Final School Shop opening for 2018 . 3:00pm Assembly . MFC AGM Juniors 7pm / Seniors 8pm . Mannum Christmas Tree Festival	1/12 & 2/12 . 1/12 Mannum Christmas Pageant
Week 8 <i>Last week of class enterprise recess / lunch for the year</i>	3/12 . Newsletter . 7:30pm <i>proposed</i> Governing Council meeting	4/12 . FINAL Playgroup for the year . LMP enterprise recess	5/12 . MP enterprise lunch	6/12 . Whole school transition to next year's classes (inc Yr 7 transition to MBHS) . 7:00pm MNLC AGM	7/12 . Full day concert rehearsal @ Unity College . 7:00pm School Concert ★ . No Assembly . No enterprise	8/12 & 9/12
Week 9	10/12	11/12	12/12 . Last day to purchase Rotary Lottery Calendar . 6:30pm Year 7 Graduation Dinner @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club	13/12 . 2:30pm Assembly at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club (inc presentation of term and year awards) . Dismissal from the MCSC @ 3:25pm . Newsletter . Secret Santa handed out	14/12 . Last day of Term 4 and the school year . SRC Fun Day @ MB Olympic Pool . No Assembly . 2:25pm dismissal	15/12 & 16/12 . 15/12 Mypo RSL Christmas Party

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club AGM - Friday 30th November 2018 - Juniors 7:00pm / Seniors 8:00pm.

Mypolonga Netball League Club AGM - Thursday 6th December 2018 from 7:00pm.

Mypolonga RSL Children's Christmas Party - Saturday 15th December 2018 @ the Mypolonga RSL. BBQ tea from 6:00pm. FREE child meals. Father Christmas arrives at 7:15pm. A salad would be appreciated. Everyone welcome!

Mypolonga Combined Churches Christmas Carols Service - Monday 17th December 2018 @ 7:00pm, held at the Mypolonga Uniting Church. Light supper following service. All welcome!

Mypolonga Cricket Club Christmas Tea - Saturday 22nd December 2018 @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. Meals from 6:30pm. Steaks \$15, Schnitzels \$14, Nuggets \$5, Dessert \$3. Father Christmas will visit with local band Woolshed Road playing after tea. All welcome!

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