# **MYPO NEWS**

# **Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter**

"The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails."

William Arthur Ward was an often quoted writer of inspirational maxims. More than 100 articles, poems and meditations written by Ward were published in such magazines as the Reader's Digest.

Term 2, Week 10 5th July 2019

#### Term 3 2019 Assembly Roster

Week 1 - Shaylee Martin, Ariel Challinger, Charlotte Ladson

### Happy birthday!

13/7 - Pippa (Year 3)

14/7 - Charlotte (Year 3)

17/7 - Jordan (Reception)

20/7 - Makayla (Year 7)

26/7 - Madison (Year 1)

#### **Enclosed with this Newsletter**

. Book Fair/Book Week/Book Parade information

#### School Shop open for business!

Our **School Shop** will be **open for business** on both Fridays of the school holidays (Friday 12th July and Friday 19th July 2019). All Reception to Year 7 students are welcome to attend, dressed in school uniform, arriving at 11.50am to approximately 12:45pm. Thank you to all our parents/caregivers for supporting this program during the holidays.

# Student Free Day - Monday 22nd July 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019 (Day 1, Week 1, Term 3) is a **Student Free Day**. The school will be closed on this day to allow for staff to review our Site Improvement Plan while looking at high impact strategies which improve student learning.

# Upcoming Student Free / School Closure Days

- . Friday 30th August 2019 (school closure day)
- . Monday 14th October 2019 (student free day)
- . Monday 11th November 2019 (student free day)





#### We Roar As One!

#### Basketball success

I would like to congratulate both the boys' and girls' basketball teams who competed in the SAPSASA Carnival last week. The results were outstanding with both teams winning their pool. More impressive to me was the way our students conducted themselves. Their sportsmanship was outstanding and their respect for each other shone brightly through. If I were a parent of one of those students I would be extremely proud! Thank you Jacob, for doing such a good job coaching the teams.

Congratulations to our UNO / Chess Champions Congratulations to Lyam Marshall who has taken out this year's UNO competition. We also congratulate James Mueller who successfully won the Chess tournament.

### Congratulations to the Perry family

It is with great delight that we welcome the newest addition to the Perry family, a little girl Freya Rose, born on 2nd July and weighing 7lbs 12.5 oz. We send Hailey, Stephen, Scarlett & Eva our love and best wishes.

#### Staffing changes for second semester

Hailey will be taking leave for the rest of the year. To cover her, with minimal disruption to her classes the following changes will take place:

- •Lexi will move out of the Upper Primary class and take over Hailey's role
- •Mel will increase her time to 4 days a week while Jacob will pick up the extra day in Upper Primary.

Necia will be going on long service leave for the first 5 weeks of next term. We will not be replacing her; Annie will take over Necia's office duties 4 days per week, while Cass will cover Tuesday. Needless to say, some of the things Necia does in her inimitable style will need to be minimised, and in some cases, curtailed. The newsletter is one such item, which will only contain essential information in Necia's absence.

Jane will also be going on long service leave for the second half of the term, but luckily we have been able to secure Anne Martin to replace her.

#### Reports

Reports are going home at the end of the term. I want to congratulate our teachers on the many hours they have invested into writing their reports. I was particularly impressed by the way teacher-teams collaborated to ensure consistent information was being conveyed to you.

### Student Free Day

A reminder that the first day of next term is a student free day. We will be collaboratively working together to design an effective phonics curriculum.

Warm Regards, Rita





# Woolworths Earn & Learn Promotion



Thank you to everyone for supporting this year's Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion. We received an astonishing 15180 stickers, which will go towards purchasing some great resources for our school. Thanks to the MANY students (led by Scarlett Perry and Matilda Stone) who helped Necia fill in the sticker sheets. Mrs O'Brien's Maths group also incorporated the counting in one of their lessons! We will share with you what we purchase in an upcoming newsletter.

#### **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 Tuesday 23rd July 2019 (Week 1 Term 3). 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).

# Literacy Cup Results (Week 9 Term 2 and progressive total)

Blue (Hindmarsh) 80 points / 1664 points Red (Murray) 127 points / 1755 points Gold (Finnis) 90 points / 1651 points

# 2019 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Consent notes were recently sent home with students who have been nominated by their teacher to sit for the Science, English and Maths Assessments this year. These assessments, 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. For the first time, the assessments will be completed online. The early return of the signed consents is much appreciated.

#### Spare clothing

We are currently running low on spare clothing in the event of student 'accidents'. If you have any black long pants (especially sizes 4-8) you wish to donate to the school, please call into the office. Thank you!

### **Lost Property**

On our return from holidays, please remember to label all items brought to school. This includes drink bottles, food containers, hats, jumpers and jackets. Permanent markers (white and black) can be borrowed from the office.

# **Governing Council Member Profiles**

# Jodie Hagger, Governing Council Treasurer 2019 / Governing Council Vice Chairperson, Parents & Friends representative 2018

Jodie lives in Mypolonga and has three children; Riley (Year 6), Ava (Year 4) and Zara (Reception). She works in the Finance Department for the Rural City of Murray Bridge and is associated with the Mypolonga Football Club, Mypolonga Netball Club, Mypolonga Cricket Club and Mypolonga SKA Club. Jodie believes the School Shop and our enterprise program are teaching our children very valuable life skills of working with money.



# Introducing... Nerissa Luckett, Governing Council Member 2019

Where do you live?... Murray Bridge

**Children & year level...** Gracie (Reception), Brooklyn (Playgroup)

Occupation... WHS Co-ordinator, DCS

Why did you choose to become a Governing Council member?... I thought it would be a good way to become involved in the school, especially not being from the area.

What do you like best about Mypolonga Primary School?... The staff are friendly, approachable and easy to speak to. I love how the older students really care and look out for the younger children.



What do you most want for your child?... I want my girls to have big dreams for their future and know they can achieve anything if they are willing to work for it.

# **Governing Council Capers**

The cycle continues and it's hard to believe we are at the halfway mark of the 2019 school year. This is a great opportunity for reflection and we especially value the time taken by staff to keep us updated by the mid-year reports sent home. The Governing Council provides a great platform for staff to actively seek our opinions on various matters. At our Week 8 meeting, we discussed the huge improvement in outcomes of our Site Improvement Plan, (especially reading for Years R-2), our World Vision and Baptist SA homelessness fundraising efforts and Parents and Friends past fundraising directed towards a new induction stovetop in the kitchen. We are continually impressed by the Lifelong Learning and Sustainability programs, and the growing list of training and development undertaken by staff. A recent example of the value of our views was a majority vote on the student closure day and student free days adjoining school holidays. We are in an everchanging environment with work and family life balance, so please continue to get in touch with any of the Governing Council members to share your thoughts.

Kelly Kuhn, Chairperson

# Year 7 in High School from Year 2022

As we have previously advised, from Term 1, 2022, Year 7 will be taught in all public high schools. The Government is inviting community members to have their say on how it can best support families in regional SA to make the transition.

To provide your feedback

- join the online discussion
- complete an online submission form
- email your written submission to Year7toHS@sa.gov.au
- attend a community forum in your region

Feedback will be included in a report provided to the Government by the end of 2019. For more information visit https://yoursay.sa.gov.au/decisions/year7/about. Closing date is Tuesday 3 September 2019.

#### Class Awards - Term 2 Week 8

#### **Junior Primary Class**

**Pheonix Sandercock** - for taking on huge decisions with a mature outlook.

**Emily Rathjen** - for completing work with confidence.

#### Junior Primary 1 Class

**Samuel Castle** - for using his initiative to learn and improve in Maths.

Sirat Judge - being persistent in new learning.

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

**Lilly Lear** - extending the class learning by sharing her knowledge in Science.

**Brady Roden** - for careful presentation in all his book work.

#### Middle Primary Class

**Madison Ray** - a very moving and brave 'Surprise Me' presentation.

**Tehya Fawdry** - an outstanding job on her Kennings Poem.

#### **Upper Primary Class**

**Koby Stimpson** - dedication to improving his exposition.

**Jessica** - consistent dedication to her learning, and always supporting her peers.

#### Class Awards - Term 2 Week 9

#### **Junior Primary Class**

**Laycie Sargeant** - for showing her Tiger values in all learning areas all week.

**Xalia Thomson** - for always brightening up the classroom with her smile.

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

**Lainie Peacock** - for being a kind friend to everyone around her.

**Madison Schwarz** - for putting lots of effort into her information report.

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

*Lila Stapleton* - excellent persistence in her information report research.

**Connor Fulwood** - impressive focus and participation at Choir rehearsal day.

#### Middle Primary Class

**Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway** - showing maturity and creativity in her writing.

**Ledja Gray** - excellent participation and performance of songs in the Choir rehearsal.

#### **Upper Primary Class**

**Linx Baker** - continuing to challenge himself in Maths.

**Riley Hagger** - working hard to catch up on learning.

### Congratulations!

**Congratulations** to Elise and Ben Burdett on the safe arrival of their daughter Lucy Elizabeth, born on 24th June 2019. Lucy is a little sister for Hannah in Year 1 and William (preschool). We wish the Burdett family lots of happiness for the years ahead.

# Deutsch in the Junior Primary 1 class with Mrs Wagenknecht

The Junior Primary 1 class has been learning the German names for parts of our bodies. They have enjoyed singing 'Heads, shoulders, knees and toes' - 'Kopf, Schulter, Knee und Zehen' in German, and class activities have included matching words to various pictures. The class have also revised German colour names and made 'Lieblingsfarbe' Blumen - 'favourite colour' flowers. Some of their fantastic work is displayed on the library window.



**'Lieblingsfarbe' Blumen'** (favourite colour flowers) by
Azalea Baker

'die Korperteile' (the body parts) by Mia Rathjen



# **Junior Primary 1 Local Excursion**

Recently, the Year 1/2 class went on an excursion to learn more about the local Indigenous history of Mypolonga. This learning has been integrated into their Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program over the past term. They learnt lots

about Indigenous Australian Peoples and how they would 'upcycle' natural resources. Pictured below; Jaeden, Mia, Hannah, Carla, Madison & Seth, Lainie, Mila & Joel.



# **Junior Primary 1 Information Reports**

Miss Persello's JP1 students have recently been researching and typing information for their Information Reports. They have picked some interesting topics. Below are extracts from four reports:-

'Butterflies are insects. During the winter some butterflies go in caves and some can go in your houses. Butterflies have four wings. They are very cool.' Mia Rathjen

'A Komodo dragon is a type of lizard. Komodo dragons have poison in their saliva. They can not run and breathe at the same time. That is why these reptiles use a gular pouch which is present under their chin.' Jesse Squire

'Bearded dragons are spiky-scaled lizards. Living in the desert often means it's hard to find food, and for that reason, bearded dragons will eat about anything.' Lucinda Temby

'There are more than 264 different types of monkeys. The biggest monkey is a Gorilla. Some monkeys live on the ground, while others live in trees.' Madison Brouwer













### "It Takes a Village to Raise a Child"

Our school is proud to be associated with the Mypolonga sporting clubs. At the beginning of the year, an expression of interest is sent home to Upper Primary students and their parents/caregivers, asking if any students wish to volunteer their time to work in the Club kitchen during the football/netball season. The response we receive is overwhelming and, from this, a roster is drawn up by Mel Carstairs for the entire year. Three students are rostered on each home game, with a list of back ups. Duties include meal preparation, order taking and dish washing.

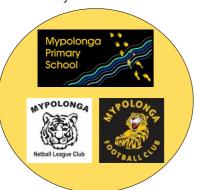
Wonderful, positive feedback is regularly received, such as these messages from Katrina Kluske (Mypolonga Netball Club tea co-ordinator) and parents Mel Wilson and Cass Martin.

'Mel & Cass, I would like to pass on to yourselves, Rhea & Shaylee how beautiful it was to see the joy the girls got from working in the kitchen, from preparation time to serving time. Their direction and leadership with the dishes and order taking was fantastic.' Katrina Kluske

'...Having everyone in the kitchen guide them at a young age, I think they will support the Club like you all do in the future years. Go Tigers!' Cass Martin

'I actually noticed on Saturday night how, 'in their element', the girls looked and I was definitely very proud. The work ethic those little Tigers are learning at school and at the Club are invaluable but they are only happy to help because they get so much support and leadership from everyone else.' Mel Wilson

The students' hours also go towards their Children's University of Australia Passport to Learning. This program raises aspirations and develops a love of learning, while recording their individual learning journey. After 30 hours of out-of-school learning, the children are rewarded for their participation with certificates at a graduation ceremony in Adelaide later in the year.







Riley Hagger with

his Passport to Learning

#### **SRC Casual Day**

Thanks to our school community for supporting this term's casual day. We raised \$236.00, which will be donated to Baptist Care SA, a homelessness service located in Adelaide. Your generosity will help offer a safe place for people to go for food, shelter and support. For further in formation, please visit www.baptistcaresa.org.au.

Pictured below; Lucinda, Noah, Jaeden, Samuel, Kallan, Linton, Charlie and Archie.





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. This data is 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.

#### **SAPSASA Results**

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the SAPSASA Netball and

Football carnivals recently. Pictured right & below; Ben Stewart, Georgia Martin, Shaylee Martin, Claire Ruckenstuhl, Ava Lindner, Bella Pike, Rhea Kempe & Makayla Stimpson. You did us all proud and thanks for sharing your week's experiences with us...

#### SAPSASA Football

"In Week 8 I went down to West Beach to play a week of SAPSASA football. I enjoyed it because I got a lot of the ball and kicked a goal. We versed a lot of Adelaide teams and beat most of them. I also enjoyed it because I got to play with my friends from different schools and different football clubs. We came fourth out of ten teams. We won six games and lost three." Ben Stewart



#### SAPSASA Netball - Division 8

"Seven Upper Primary girls competed in the Murraylands team at the SAPSASA netball carnival recently. It took place at Priceline Stadium in Adelaide for four days. I played in the Division 8 team and we played 9 games consisting of 6 wins and 3 losses. It was an amazing experience getting to know people and to play good, interesting netball. We came back to school ending on a victory against Southern Yorke Peninsula. In the end, Whyalla came out on top and we were

placed 4th. Everyone was in need of a rest at the end of last week, but we are very proud of all our Mypo girls that tried their hardest to bring home victory to Tiger Town. I really enjoyed defending with, and against, other people." Rhea Kempe



"We all enjoyed playing Netball with each other and had a really good experience. On our first day, we played two games, winning one game and losing one game, all by a small amount. On the second day, we lost a game by quite a bit and drew the last game (21 all). First up on the third day, we versed



Murray Mallee where we had a convincing win. Unfortunately, the other two games resulted in two bad losses. On Thursday, our last game, we lost to Eastern Eyre Peninsula by a lot. We finished off the week by having a very convincing win to Southern Yorke Peninsula. We were all very tired coming back Friday but had the best experience ever."

Ava: "I enjoyed playing with different girls and playing in GA for the whole week. I wish I could do it next year but unfortunately I am going to high school."

Georgia: "I liked playing with people from different clubs and I found it challenging working with different people I am not used to."

Bella: "I think I shot really well when we versed Murray Mallee and I felt comfortable playing with girls from my own club. I enjoyed bonding with girls from different clubs as well."

Makayla: "I enjoyed learning new skills from other players and I felt as if I needed to work on my passing."

Shaylee: "I like the experience when I am down in Adelaide and I think I came in front which made me able to shoot goals."

#### **Master Class sessions**

Our Master Class sessions for this year will run over four weeks during Term 3. Our first two lessons will be in Weeks 6 & 7 (Tuesday 27th August and Tuesday 3rd September 2019). Our second session will be in Weeks 8 & 9 (Wednesday 11th September and Wednesday 18th September 2019). Sessions will run for one hour in the afternoons from 2:20pm to 3:25pm. We are looking for parents, friends and/or community members to help with, or run a Master Class for either the first two or last two sessions, or both. If you would like to help, please complete the green form recently sent home and return it to the office by Friday 26th July 2019. Thanks in anticipation of your support. If you require more information, please contact

#### **Enterprise Recess/Lunches**

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

Helping Emma with toasted sandwiches are Tayla, Winchester, Scarlett & Gracie. Refer to the note below detailing what is on offer for Term 3. Adding to our menu in Term 3, the Junior Primary 1 class are selling popcorn cups on Thursdays at recess time.





# **Murraylands Schools Basketball Competition**

In Week 9, we had two teams participate in the Murraylands Schools Basketball competition at the Murray Bridge Basketball Stadium. The female participants in the competition were Claire Ruckenstuhl, Ava Lindner, Rhea Kempe, Georgia Martin, Makayla Stimpson, Jade Burgess, Bella Pike and Jessica. The male participants were Kalen Fowler, Craig Gillett, Ben Stewart, Heath Matheson, James-Noah Peterson and Zac Kennison.

It was a great day with all the students representing Mypolonga in an outstanding manner displaying excellent behaviour, sportsmanship and great teamwork.

Both the girls and boys teams won 4 out of 4 games and won their respective pools. It was a great effort by everyone involved. Thanks to Jacob Rance for his support and organisation of the day.





# Terrific Kids Awards - Term 2 2019

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 Harry McNeilly





Junior Primary 1
Hannah Burdett





Middle Primary Matilda Stone





Upper Primary

Jayden Ladson

# **Term 2 2019**







Upper Primary

Hayden Dahlitz







Junior Primary 1
Samuel Castle

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



Junior Primary
Emily Rathjen





# **Most Improved Student**

Upper Primary
Haylee Sinclair



Middle Primary **Haydn Castle** 





Junior Primary 1

Mia Rathjen

Junior Primary
Soren Young









Teamwork Integrity Generosity of Spirit Excellence Respect

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# Planner - Term 3 2019

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	22/7 Student Free Day	23/7 . No Playgroup (commences Week 2) . No LMP enterprise recess (this week only)	24/7 . MP enterprise lunch	25/7 . JP1 enterprise recess	26/7 . JP enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	27/7 & 28/7 27/7 - Round 15 (split round) MFC/ MNLC v- Meningie @ Meningie
Week 2	29/7 . Newsletter	30/7 . 9:00am - 10:15am Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	31/7 . MP enterprise lunch	1/8 . JP1 enterprise recess	2/8 . JP enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:00pm MCSC Friday Night tea	3/8 & 4/8 3/8 - Round 16 MFC/MNLC -v- Mannum @ Mannum (White Ribbon Day) & Tiger Ball
Week 3	Book Week	6/8 . 9:00am - 10:15am Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . 2:00pm Musica Viva 'Water Water, Everywhere' performance (whole school)	<b>7/8</b> . MP enterprise lunch	8/8 . JP1 enterprise recess	9/8 . Book Fair & Parade . JP enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	10/8 & 11/8 10/8 - Round 17 MFC/MNLC -v- Ramblers @ Ramblers (Cancer Awareness Day)
Week 4	12/8 . Newsletter	13/8 . 9:00am - 10:15am Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	14/8 . No MP enterprise lunch . LMP/MP Illawonga (Swan Reach) camp	15/8 . JP1 enterprise recess . LMP/MP Illawonga (Swan Reach) camp	16/8 . JP enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly . LMP/MP Illawonga (Swan Reach) camp	17/8 & 18/8 17/8 - Round 18 MFC/MNLC -v- Tailem @ Mypo (incl home teas)
Week 5	19/8	20/8 . 9:00am - 10:15am Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess	21/8 . MP enterprise lunch	22/8 . JP1 enterprise recess	23/8 . JP enterprise lunch . 3:00pm Assembly	24/8 & 25/8 24/8 - Round 19 MFC/MNLC -v- Jervois @ Mypo & Ladies' Day (last minor round game inc. teas)
Week 6	26/8 . Newsletter	27/8 . 9:00am - 10:15am Playgroup . LMP enterprise recess . 2:20pm - 3:25pm Master Class	28/8 . MP enterprise lunch	29/8 . JP1 enterprise recess	30/8 School Closure Day	31/8 & 1/9 31/8 - RMFL/ RMNA Qualifying Final @ Ramblers 1/9 - RMFL/RMNA Elimination Final @ Meningie

### **River Murray Netball Association Representatives**

Over the June long weekend, Georgia Martin and Ava Lindner were selected and represented the Under 13s Division 1 River Murray Netball Association team in the annual Priceline Pharmacy Country Championships. The girls made it through to the quarter finals, with both contributing well for their team. Shaylee Martin and Makayla Stimpson were selected and represented the Under 13s Division 2 team. Although the team didn't win many games, both girls enjoyed their experience and improved their skills. Well done girls!





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