

# MYPO NEWS

## Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

*"And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of new beginnings."*

*~ Meister Eckhart (c. 1260 – c. 1328), was a German theologian, philosopher and mystic,  
born in central Germany in the Holy Roman Empire ~*

Term 4, Week 8 2nd December 2019

### Term 4 2019 Assembly Roster

Week 8 - Izac Paterson, Reagan Martin, Jorja Kuhn

Week 9 (Thursday 12/12/19 held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club) - Drew Bettcher, Tahlia Ross, Dom Swansson

### Happy birthday!

5/12 - Joe (Year 6)  
8/12 - Crystal (Year 1)  
9/12 - Macie (Reception)  
10/12 - Ella (Year 5)  
11/12 - Georgia (Year 7)  
12/12 - Rhea (Year 7)  
12/12 - Zara (Reception)

### Mypolonga Primary School Concert

Please refer to the enclosed note!

**Monday 9th December 2019**  
**from 6:30pm**  
**Unity College Steeple, Murray Bridge**  
**\* students to arrive at 6:00pm \***

### Literacy Cup Points

Red (Murray) 152 points / 3404 points  
Blue (Hindmarsh) 151 points / 3205 points  
Gold (Finnis) 156 points / 3196 points

### Lost Property

Over the next 2 weeks, we kindly ask parents/caregivers to check our lost property box for any missing jumpers, jackets, containers & drink bottles. Anything unnamed can become yours!

### Newsletter/School Magazine

Our final newsletter and ordered/paid for school magazines will be sent home on Thursday 12th December 2019 following our final assembly at the Club.



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### We Roar as One!

I received this email last week from the University of Osaka in Japan, who have been commissioned to write the Financial Literacy curriculum for Japan. Exciting times!

*'Dear Rita*

*I have been assisting the research project of Financial Literacy for the last two years for Professor Suzuki and Professor Ohmoto. They coordinate this project at Osaka Kyoiku University in Japan.*

*I am writing this letter to request to visit your school 'Mypolonga Primary School'. Mypolonga Primary School is one of the active Money Smart participating primary schools according to the website (Enterprise School Shop).*

*Please see the attached document which I translated; the 'Research Project Proposal': Professor Suzuki initially wrote this in Japanese for research funding approval.*

*It would be a great honour for us to visit your school to see the School Shop and interview the students and teachers. Our research trip will take place from 19th of February on Wednesday to the 22nd of February on Saturday in 2020. We are highly interested in your 'School Shop'. (If you run any other money smart activities, we would like to view as well.)*

*Japanese Curriculum is currently asked to revise rapidly to meet the advanced Western Education standard by the Japanese Government (The Ministry of Education). Therefore, we believe this research of Money Smart participating school will assist the development of future Japanese Curriculum.*

*We look forward to your response and hope to be able to start the preparations as soon as possible.*

*Yours Sincerely, Keiko Nottle'*

I have responded by saying that we would love to work with them as this can only expand our kids' horizons even more.

### DfE Filming

Because of the work we have done with Social Ventures Australia, the Department would like to document our journey. Consequently, we spent two days last week filming interviews with students and teachers and examples of learning in action. It will be interesting to see the final product early next year.

### Concert Tickets

Thank you to everyone who followed the process for the purchase of concert tickets. It would appear that everyone has been able to purchase enough in order to give family and friends the opportunity to see the concert. Thank you Necia for all of the hard work you have done to ensure all families received their quota.

Just a reminder that the final assembly for the year will be held at the Combined Sports' Clubrooms on Thursday 12th December 2019 at 2:30pm. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Warm Regards, Rita

### Class Awards - Term 4 Week 5

#### Junior Primary Class

**Soren Young** - for being a real trooper on camp, although exhausted!

**Julie Wallis** - for showing courage and determination during camp.

#### Junior Primary 1 Class

**Scarlett Perry** - introducing her genre in a very creative manner.

**Bailey Harvie** - for having a positive mindset when challenging himself in the learning pit.

#### Lower Middle Primary Class

**Felicity Donald** - showing excellent teamwork while working with a partner.

**Jai Bowley** - excellent acting at concert rehearsals.

#### Middle Primary Class

**Haydn Castle** - for being a dedicated and hardworking group member in STEM.

**Alarah Sipos** - a consistently hard working and responsible student.

#### Upper Primary Class

**James-Noah Peterson** - dedication to 'being the character' in the concert item.

**Joe Tidy** - pushing himself to achieve success in challenging fraction problems.

### Class Awards - Term 4 Week 7

#### Junior Primary Class

**Gracie Luckett** - for always showing respect to her peers.

**Olivia Scott** - for always sharing her knowledge about different topics.

#### Junior Primary 1 Class

**Luke Pontt** - for putting in lots of effort to improve his concert item.

**Mila Carstairs** - for being a very confident leader.

#### Lower Middle Primary Class

**Charlotte Pahl** - for insightful comments about her reading text in Guided Reading.

**Makayla Baker** - for being a capable problem solver in division.

#### Middle Primary Class

**Tehya Fawdry** - for an excellent 'surprise me' on fruit and vegetables.

**Linton Garner** - showing commitment and improvement to his character in our concert item.

#### Upper Primary Class

**Claire Ruckstuhl** - for always showing kindness, patience and empathy to peers within the class.

**Bella Pike** - for always showing kindness, patience and empathy to peers within the class.

### Library News

On Friday 6th December 2019, the children will receive their Premier's Reading Challenge awards. To celebrate their efforts in completing the challenge, there will be a Pizza Party at recess time. Well done! **Reminder** - all books are now due to be returned to the Library by 6th December 2019. Thank you.

### UNSW Global 2019 ICAS Assessments

**Congratulations** to the following students on their fantastic achievements in the recent ICAS Assessments. The English Assessment was carried out online in September.

#### English

Mikaela Watts (Year 3) **High Distinction**  
 Scarlette Fulwood (Year 2) **Distinction**  
 Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway (Year 5) **Credit**  
 Jessica (Year 7) **Credit**  
 Rhea Kempe (Year 7) **Merit**

### White Ribbon March

On 22nd November 2019, we proudly participated in the White Ribbon march in Murray Bridge. Our students were amazing in behaviour, their presentation and their understanding and commitment to White Ribbon. Thank you to White Ribbon for arranging transport for us to participate in the march and to the Lions Club for cooking us a lovely lunch to share.



Prior to the march, our Upper Primary Leaders planned and presented Gender Equality lessons to all classes.



### Premier's Be Active Reception @ Priceline Stadium

Our school was recently selected as one of 50 high achieving schools in this year's Premier's Be Active Challenge. The challenge was to do 60 minutes of physical activity a day for at least 5 days of the week for 4 weeks. In achieving this, we received a \$1000.00 grant and were recognised at a Premier's Be Active Challenge reception held at Priceline Stadium.

Our Junior Primary 1 students attended the reception on 21st November 2019 and participated in a number of activities including; circus activities, aerobics, touch footy and cricket. They were also fortunate to meet members of South Australian sporting teams including the Adelaide Thunderbirds, Port Adelaide Football Club, Adelaide Lightning, South Australian Scorpions and the AFLW Crows team. They eagerly awaited the Premier's arrival and a few of them were starstruck when he entered!



## Musical Instruments

Musical instruments currently held by students undertaking musical tuition with Peter Longden, will be collected by Annie after the school concert on Monday 9th December 2019. This will enable us to conduct a stocktake of the instruments in readiness for the new year.

## Tigers on the Go! Congratulations Sam!

**Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway** (Year 7 2017)

I was selected by the FFA (Football Federation Australia) through a talent program to represent regional South Australia at the SingaCup in Singapore with 15 other 14yo boys. Out of the 24 teams that participated in our age level, our team made it to the Quarter Finals.

It was an incredible experience and when the team wasn't playing, we'd spend our free time shopping, sight seeing and, unfortunately, in ice-baths.



I was also selected in the SingaCup XI team which was exciting. Overall, it was an incredible experience to play in an international tournament and I loved every second of it!

## Generosity of Spirit shining through!

Prior to the Murray Bridge Christmas pageant, Year 2 student Amilee Harvie set up a stall at her grandparents' garage sale. Amilee sold paper towel art that she made with the help of brother Bailey and some friends at school.

On the day, she raised \$70.00 in donations and contributed \$50.00 of her own saved pocket money to donate to Blaze Aid, an organisation which helps communities rebuild after bushfires.

Amilee even had our friend and relief teacher Prue McDonald (pictured below) drop by to make a donation.

Parents Karina & Simon are very proud, as we are here at school.



## End of Year Reminders/Notices

### Secret Santa

Your child should now have received a note advising which classmate they are buying for in this year's Secret Santa. On or before **this Friday 6th December 2019**, the wrapped gift can be handed to your child's classroom teacher or SSO (without indicating who it is from on the gift tag).

### School Magazine & Concert DVD/USB

School magazines will be ready for distribution at the school's final assembly on Thursday 12th December 2019. We will again be recording the school concert. This year, we are offering families the choice of buying the school concert recording on either a DVD or USB. An order form will be included in the concert program. Due to time constraints, we are unable to guarantee that the DVDs/USBs will be available to collect before the end of the school year.

### Concert – Monday 9th December 2019

A final, detailed note regarding student arrival times etc at the concert is enclosed with this newsletter. A program of the evening will be available at the Steeple door.

### Year 7 Graduation Dinner – Wednesday 11th December 2019

We are in the process of confirming numbers for our Year 7 graduation dinner to be held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club at 6:30pm. Year 7 families, if you haven't already, please notify the office staff of numbers attending as soon as possible. Thanks to the Mypolonga Oval Committee for catering for us. The Year 7 iMovie (slideshow) will be shown on the night and a copy given to students on a USB.

### End of Year Assembly - Thursday 12th December 2019 Assembly 2:30pm / Dismissal 3:25pm

To accommodate the large number of families who attend our end of year assembly, we have once again decided to hold this at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club.

For those of you who don't know, the clubrooms are on your right hand side just past the turn off you would normally take to get to the school. Students will be transported by our school bus and will be dismissed from there at 3:25pm, with their school bag. Our Wall Flat/Caloote bus students will board the school bus at the club to be taken home, if required. **Please notify anyone doing the 'pick up' of this change.**

### Whole School 'Fun Day' @ the Murray Bridge Olympic Pool - Friday 13th December 2019

Dismissal from the pool @ 1:30pm / dismissal from the school 2:25pm.

### Medication

All medication stored in the school's first aid room will be returned home with the relevant student on Thursday 12th December 2019. Over the holidays, please check the medication's expiry date in readiness for the new year and remember to include a new **Medication Agreement** form for school staff to administer the medicine in the new year. 'Medication' includes all prescribed, non-prescribed, over the counter and alternative therapies (vitamins, minerals and supplements) that are required to be administered in education and care services.

This form can be obtained from the office or accessed on the Department for Education website [www.education.sa.gov.au](http://www.education.sa.gov.au).


**As previously advised, we are unable to administer any medication without written advice on a Medication Agreement.**





### Planner - Term 4 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

<b>Week 8</b>	<b>2/12</b> . Newsletter	<b>3/12</b> . <b>FINAL Playgroup for the year</b>	<b>4/12</b> . Whole school concert full dress rehearsal @ the Mypolonga Institute (closed rehearsal for students only)	<b>5/12</b> . Whole school transition to next year's classes . Yr 7 transition @ MBHS	<b>6/12</b> . Premier's Reading Challenge Recess Pizza Party . <b>LAST School Shop for the year</b> . <b>LAST day to return library books</b> . 3:00pm Assembly . 6:30pm MCSC Friday night tea	<b>7/12 &amp; 8/12</b> . 6:00pm - 8:00pm Mannum Christmas pageant
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>9/12</b> <b>Concert Rehearsal &amp; 6:30pm School Concert @ Unity College</b> 	<b>10/12</b>	<b>11/12</b> . 6:30pm Year 7 Graduation @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club	<b>12/12</b> . 2:30pm Assembly at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club (inc presentation of term and year awards) . Dismissal from the MCSC @ 3:25pm . Newsletter	<b>13/12</b> . Last Day of the school year . SRC Fun Day dismissal 1:30pm from the pool / dismissal 2:25pm from the school . No Assembly	<b>14/12 &amp; 15/12</b> . 6:00pm Mypolonga RSL Christmas party . 4:30pm Taillem Bend Christmas pageant

### Planner - Term 1 2020

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>27/1</b> <b>Australia Day Public Holiday</b>	<b>28/1</b> . Welcome back! (Term 1 commences)	<b>29/1</b>	<b>30/1</b>	<b>31/1</b> . 3:00pm Assembly	<b>1/2 &amp; 2/2</b>
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### Community News

**Mypolonga Football Club - New Year's Eve Party @ the Club** Save the Date! Tuesday 31st December 2019. Further details will be posted on the Club's Facebook page.

**Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club - Friday Night tea** 6:30pm Friday 6th December 2019. All welcome!

**Mypolonga RSL - Christmas Party 2019** Save the Date! Saturday 14th December 2019

All primary school aged children and their families welcome! Commences at approximately 6:00pm. Father Christmas will make an appearance during the evening. Families are kindly asked to bring along a salad to share. Further details will be provided in due course.

**Mypolonga Cricket Club - Christmas Show 2019** - Save the Date! Saturday 21st December 2019

Meals available from 6:30pm. Father Christmas will make a special appearance at approximately 8:30pm. Further details and menu to follow at a later date. Details will also be posted on the Mypolonga Cricket Club Facebook page.

**Mannum Christmas Pageant** Saturday 7th December 2019. 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Randell Street, Mannum.

**Taillem Bend Christmas Pageant** Saturday 14th December 2019. From 4:30pm/parade starts at 6:00pm.

**Mount Pleasant Christmas Twilight Farmers' Market** - Friday 20th December 2019. 5:00pm to 9:00pm @ the Mount Pleasant Showgrounds. For more information please visit [www.mpfm.org.au](http://www.mpfm.org.au).

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