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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you."

~ Joan Ruth Bader Ginsburg was an American lawyer and jurist who served as an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1993 until her death in September 2020. ~

Term 1, Week 8 15th March 2021

Happy birthday!

16/3 - Felicity (Year 6)
17/3 - Ryley (Year 5)
18/3 - Oliver (Year 1)
22/3 - Winchester (Year 4)
22/3 - James (Reception)
25/3 - Paige (Year 1)

Sports' Day - Wednesday 31st March 2021 on the school oval

School families.. please refer to the email sent to you last Thursday regarding parent attendance at this year's Sports' Day. For COVID-19 contact tracing purposes, **please return the RSVP (which was emailed and sent home)** to the office as soon as possible, listing everyone from your family who will be joining us on the day. A 'special' Mypolonga General Store price list and order form is enclosed with this newsletter. Thank you to Kevin & Julie for providing these special options! A Sports' Day program will be sent home in our next newsletter on Monday 29/3/21.

Attendance

It is a Department requirement that daily student attendance is reported by 4pm each day. Please continue to advise us **daily** of any student absences by phone or by email (preferred) info@mypolongaps.sa.edu.au. Thank you!

**Mypolonga Primary School
SRC Disco - theme: 'Future Me'**

this Friday 19th March 2021

**to be held at the school from
3:00pm-5:00pm**

*** please advise if your child will not
be attending ***



We Roar as One!

It is great to see us returning to some semblance of normality; we are so looking forward to once again be able to share Sport's Day with families. The House Captains have been working hard to organise the day and they are so pleased that you will be able to see the fruits of their labours. Thank you to all of our volunteers; without you days such as this would not be possible.

Our compromise disco planning is well underway and I am really proud of the way we were able to put our heads together and come up with a win/win scenario. Not being able to use the Institute was disappointing, but the compromise of unit-based discos is a good one. The fact that we were still able to have tea at the Club was the icing on the cake for us. Again, the support for this function was outstanding and we are really appreciative of those parents who model the 'make it happen' culture, that we, as a school champion and value. Unfortunately, on that day, half of all South Australian leaders must meet in Adelaide and I am one of them. It will be disappointing to miss my last disco, especially since Bill and I started them, when our girls went to school many, many years ago!

Bailey really is 'On Stan'

Our pro-active, positive behaviour management process using our peg chart is uplifting and heart-warming. A few weeks ago, Stan, my boss, visited the school for my performance meeting on a Tuesday, which is very early in the week. Bailey's peg was already on Stan's picture, so he got to put his peg on the real Stan for an hour and a half. Stan was really proud of Bailey's achievement.



Welcome Brock

We warmly welcome our new Pastoral Care Worker (PCW), Brock Smith, to the Tiger fold. Brock has already made his mark and has developed great relationships with our students. A more detailed article will be in the next newsletter.

As well as organising Sports' Day, our House Captains are also responsible for managing the Champions' Cup, our reading competition. They take this role very seriously, often giving up their own play time to hear students read, who do not read at home. Unfortunately, non-readers tend to come in family groupings which has a significant impact on points scored each week and can be the difference between a team winning or losing. House Captains, when they prepare their speeches pre-election, identify how many nights they themselves have read in order to lead by example and showing that 'you cannot lead where you do not go yourself'.

Warm Regards,
Rita

Class Awards - Term 1 Week 4

Junior Primary Gold

Zakariyah Sumner - showing great leadership to younger students.

James Rathjen - excellent reading skills.

Junior Primary Black

Imogen Martin - being a helpful class leader.

Jack Elliott - always being an involved learner.

Middle Primary Gold

Zara Hagger - trying really hard to improve her handwriting.

Oliver North - putting in lots of effort to his Picasso artwork.

Middle Primary Black

Luke Pontt - stepping up as a leader in the classroom.

Gibson - showing kindness by helping classmates in his own time.

Upper Primary Gold

Makayla Baker - showing commitment to her learning and having an excellent start to 2021.

Haiden Squire - a great start to the year and putting himself forward for leadership opportunities.

Upper Primary Black

Alarah Sipos - a well crafted start to her narrative.

Ella O'Shea-Coulter - having a desire to learn and improve in her leadership qualities.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following past Mypolonga Primary School students on their recent success at Murray Bridge High School's Sports' Day:

Jayden Ladson - Yr 8 Boys Runner-up

Makayla Stimpson - Yr 9 Girls Champion

Benjamin Peterson - Yr 10 Boys Champion

Chloe Pahl - Senior Girls Runner-up

Clay Burgess - Senior Boys Runner-up

SAPSASA Swimming Selections

Congratulations to Year 7 student **Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway** on being selected in the 2021 Murraylands SAPSASA swimming team.

Ruby's events will include 13 year girls freestyle, 13 year girls breaststroke and 13 year girls backstroke.

The state championships will be held on Friday 26th March 2021.

Good luck Ruby...we look forward to hearing of your experiences!

Champions' Cup Results (end of Week 7 Term 1 and progressive total)

Red (Murray) 99 points / 544 points

Gold (Finnis) 75 points / 483 points

Blue (Hindmarsh) 87 points / 447 points

Governing Council Member Profiles

Introducing...

Karina Harvie, Governing Council Chairperson



Where do you live?... Sunnyside

Children & year level... Amilee (Year 6), Bailey (Year 4)

Occupation... Bookkeeper/ Farmer

Other Clubs or groups you are connected with...

Saints Basketball

What do you like best about Mypolonga Primary School?... It feels like home. To me, Mypolonga Primary feels like being a part of a big extended family. I love the opportunities and encouragement given to my children so they can be the best person they can be.

Why did you choose to become a Governing council member?...

I chose to become a Governing Council member to be more involved in the school. I wanted the opportunity to influence and discuss the school's vision into the future.

What is your favourite quote?...

"Courage starts with showing up and letting ourselves be seen." Brene Brown

Wellbeing Wonders

Please refer to the attachment being emailed with this newsletter regarding the community services provided by ac.care. There are a range of wonderful activities and programs across the Murraylands which may interest you and your family.

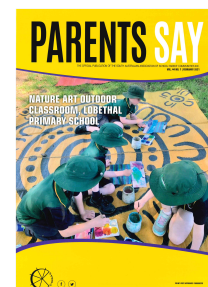
Cheers, Kerry, Wellbeing Leader

SAASPC

Our school is affiliated with the South Australian Association of School Parent Communities (SAASPC). SAASPC is a statewide association and a strong and committed supporter of public education. Their Officers are dedicated volunteers, who assist and support parent groups and parents within government schools. This includes running information sessions and providing useful resources to parents.

As part of our affiliation, we also receive a copy of their quarterly magazine 'Parents Say', which includes useful articles and advertising on a variety of parent related issues.

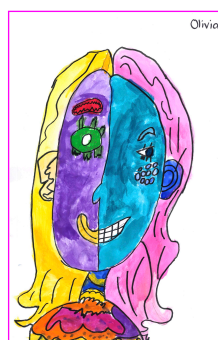
Further information, links to other organisations and the quarterly SAASPC magazine 'Parents Say' can be found on their website <https://www.saaspc.org.au>



Middle Primary Unit - Picasso Art

Picasso Faces – Pablo Picasso is one of the most revered of the famous artists featured in art lesson plans for kids across the world. Picasso was experimental in his approach to art, often painting a common object or person from lots of different angles in one picture. This is called cubism. Our Middle Primary Unit students had a go at creating their own Picasso styled portrait.

"Every child is an artist. The trouble is how to remain an artist once he grows up."
~ Pablo Picasso ~



This week, we introduce and congratulate **House Captains** for team **Murray**!



As a Leader of my house team, I hope to... lead my team to victory and help and encourage them to achieve as much as they can. I also hope that I can help my team with their events for Sports' Day and in general.

I think a good leader... encourages their team to do their best and shows respect. Good leaders also show integrity and use their teamwork skills with other leaders.



As a Leader of my house team, I hope to... lead Red to victory in Sports' Day and in the Champions' Cup.

I think a good Leader... should lead by example.



As a Leader of my house team, I hope to... take on greater responsibilities and lead our team to victory on Sports' Day and win the Champions' Cup.

I think a good Leader is... someone who persists through hard tasks and is always supportive of their team.



As a Leader of my house team, I hope to... provide a caring and kind atmosphere to all my team.

The best thing about being a Leader is... having all the cool options like helping to run Sports' Day and helping all the new little people.



The best thing about being a Leader is... reminding others to not be scared if you win or lose.

Someone I think is a great Leader is... Ariel, because she leads by example and she encourages others to do their best.



As a Leader of my house team, I hope to... teach others to learn to win graciously. I love reading and I would like to share this with my team.

I think a good Leader... is someone who is honest, a good sport and leads fairly.

World Being Committee

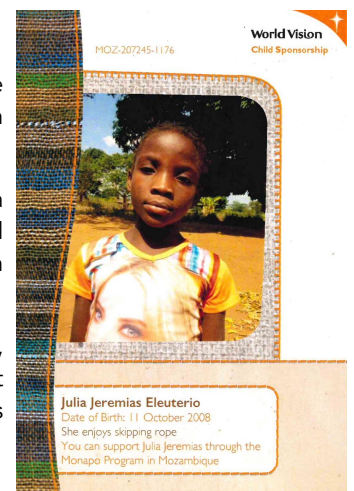
Our World Being committee consists of students voted in by their peers as kind and caring. These students are responsible for raising money for our World Vision Child, Julia and also communicating with her during the year. Our committee would like to give you an insight into Julia's life.

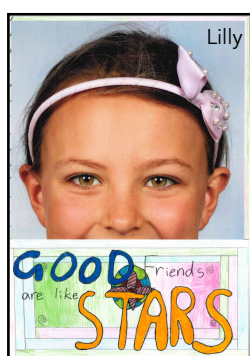
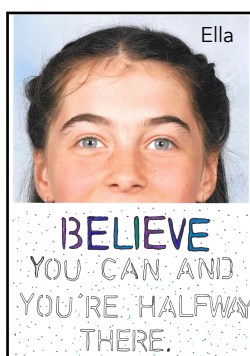
Julia Eleuterio. Julia lives with her parents, five brothers and three sisters in the Monapo Area Development Program in Mozambique, East Africa. Julia's father and mother are both agricultural labourers. She attends school and her favourite subject is national language. The majority of people in Julia's area are part of the southeastern African ethnic group Makhuwa and speak Makua.

We raise money for our World Vision child by organising a bikeathon every three years. Unfortunately, due to COVID, and new Department regulations around road safety, we were unable to hold this event last year. However, we held a Colour Run in its place. We also send the child and their community gifts to support their life and health.

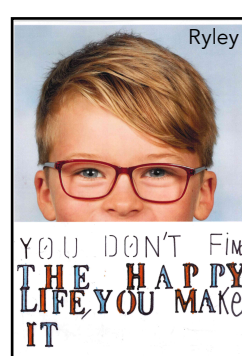
Last year, we excitedly received correspondence from Julia (written in English and Portuguese, which is their official language). It read; "Dear Sponsor, my name is Julia. I am in good health together with my family and thank you so much for being my sponsor through World Vision. My home is made of raw bricks and thatched with grass and my staple food is maize thick porridge served with vegetables, beans and fried fish. I am in Grade 2 and when I grow up, I wish to be a Teacher. Something I learned this year is to write my name. Something I'm thankful for this year is that I have a birth certificate. Regards, Julia'.

Our World Being committee, (voted in by their peers through their show of kindness), consists of Felicity Donald, Lainie Peacock, Sophie Brouwer, Ruby Montgomery-Pittaway, Hannah Burdett and Emily Rathjen.





UP Unit Quotes
Students were asked to think about a quote which they wanted to live by this year. A quote that they could look at, remember and focus on.



Planner - Term 1 2021

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 8	15/3 . Newsletter . 7:00pm Finance meeting . 7.30pm Governing Council meeting	16/3 9:00am-10:00am Tiny Tigers . MPB enterprise recess (ice creams)	17/3 . JPG enterprise lunch (sausage in bread)	18/3	19/3 . 3:00pm-5:00pm School Disco . From 5:15pm Disco tea @ the MCSC	20/3 & 21/3 20/3 - RMFL/ RMNA Round 1 - Mypo v Imps at Mypo
Week 9	22/3 . SANFL visit (whole school)	23/3 9:00am-10:00am Tiny Tigers . MPB enterprise recess (ice creams)	24/3 . JPG enterprise lunch (sausage in bread)	25/3	26/3 . SAPSASA Swimming carnival	27/3 & 28/3 27/3 - RMFL/ RMNA Round 2 - Mypo v Meningie at Meningie
Week 10	29/3 . Newsletter . SAPSASA Softball carnival (until Wednesday)	30/3 9:00am-10:00am Tiny Tigers . MPB enterprise recess (ice creams)	31/3 Sport's Day 	1/4	2/4 Good Friday	3/4 & 4/4 Easter Saturday / Easter Sunday
Week 11	5/4 Easter Monday	6/4 9:00am-10:00am Tiny Tigers . MPB enterprise recess (ice creams)	7/4 . JPG enterprise lunch (sausage in bread)	8/4 . Newsletter	9/4 . Last day of Term 1 2:25pm dismissal	10/4 & 11/4 10/4 - RMFL/ RMNA Round 3 - Mypo v Ramblers at Mypo

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club - please email secretary@mypolongaafc.com.au if you have any queries during the season.

Player Registration - Parents of junior footballers/senior players...player registration/subs need to be finalised **by this Thursday 18th March 2021**. This is a MFC and SANFL requirement for your child/you to be able to play for Mypolonga Football Club this season. **If your child/you are not registered as a player, and have not paid your subs, your name will not appear on Saturday's team sheet.** The link to registration for 2021 (juniors and seniors) can be found on the home page of our website. Don't forget.. \$100.00 Sports' Vouchers are available to use for all primary school students. Click on the following link to download your voucher to use for payment of your subs. <https://www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au>. It's as easy as that!

BBQ/Canteen - Tiger families.. can you help? BBQ and canteen rosters will be out soon. Please contact Jodie Hagger jodiebolt@hotmail.com or Cindy Hein jpchein@internode.on.net if you have a preferred home game shift to be rostered on. 'Many hands make light work', and it is hoped every family involved in the Club can help out in some way. Rosters will be posted on our FB page and on our website. Thanks!

Thursday Night Teas - This year, **Thursday Night is Schnitzel night!** Join us in the Clubrooms from 6:00pm for weekly chicken or beef schnitzels. We may even try a different topping or two! Takeaways will be available and everyone is welcome to join us! EFTPOS and ATM facilities are available in the Clubrooms.

* Additional community flyers are always attached to our fortnightly newsletter email.

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