

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today."

~ Harriett Jackson Brown Jr. is an American author best known for his inspirational book, *Life's Little Instruction Book*, which was a New York Times bestseller. ~

Term 3, Week 10 23rd September 2021

We Roar as One!

Happy Birthday!

28/9 - Amilee (Year 6)
9/10 - Makenna (Reception)
10/10 - Chloe (Year 2)
10/10 - Neeve (Year 2)
12/10 - Luke (Year 4)
13/10 - Drazic (Year 5)
14/10 - Fern (Year 7)
15/10 - Lyam (Year 7)

Student Free Day

A reminder that **Monday 8th November 2021** is a Student Free Day!

Save the Date!

Proposed dates for end of year school events and celebrations (COVID restrictions permitting).

School Concert (on the school oval)
Tuesday 23rd November 2021 @ 6:30pm

Whole School Transition (including current Year 7s Transition to MBHS)
Tuesday 30th November 2021

Year 6 Transition to MBHS
Thursday 2nd December 2021

Year 6 & 7 Graduation/Dinner (held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club)
Wednesday 8th December 2021

End of Year Assembly (held at the school)
Thursday 9th December 2021

Middle Primary / Upper Primary Camp payments

Middle Primary Unit - Camp Aldinga
Wednesday 27th October - Friday 29th October 2021

Upper Primary Unit - West Beach Camp
Wednesday 3rd November - Friday 5th November 2021

Camp payments for the Middle Primary and Upper Primary units are due by 19/10/21.

Statements have been given out to those who still owe. Please contact Annie if you have any questions:
dl.0302.finance@schools.sa.edu.au

NAPLAN

Parents of students in Years 3, 5 and 7 would have received their child's NAPLAN results last week. Coming home in their report folder tomorrow, will be a one-pager detailing how your child has performed against the Standard of Educational Achievement and whether they have achieved a score in the higher bands.

While NAPLAN is one measure of student achievement, we are particularly proud of the number of students who have achieved in the higher bands. Well done everyone!

Percentage of students in higher bands in NAPLAN		
	Reading	Numeracy
Year 3	75%	33%
Year 5	57%	37%
Year 7	26%	53%

Principal Position

The second round of the Principal selection process is currently underway and we are hoping to be able to make an announcement in the near future.

External School Review

In Week 3, (Monday 25th October to Tuesday 26th October 2021), the external review team will visit our school. As I have outlined previously, every school is reviewed in a 3-year cycle. I have already met (via Teams) with the Chief Review Officer and Stan, our Education Director to get the ball rolling.

Performance

On the first day of term, all being well, the whole school will be attending a performance of 'Eastwinds' at the Institute. The current capacity of the Institute is 165 so all students will be able to attend. We will walk the students up and back. There is no cost to parents.

Happy 50th birthday Kerry and we send our love to Tony Brown who is recovering in hospital from hip surgery.

Have a great break and see you next term for the home-run!

Warm Regards
Rita



Enjoy your holidays!



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Class Awards - Term 3 Week 6

Junior Primary Gold

Oliver Carroll - putting himself in the learning pit when reading and understanding worded Maths problems.

Junior Primary Black

Amitiel O'Connor - blending phonemes to read spelling words during a matching activity.

Middle Primary Gold

Gracie Luckett - always putting in effort to improve.

Middle Primary Black

Hendrix Sharrad - stepping up to leadership and using his initiative.

Upper Primary Gold

Danté Sandercock - making a conscious effort to help others.

Lila Stapleton - being happy to step out of her comfort zone to show leadership.

Upper Primary Black

Elouise Kuhn - living out our values and being an engaged respectful learner in all lessons.

Liam Marshall - showing initiative and taking responsibility around the class.

Class Awards - Term 3 Week 9

Junior Primary Gold

Isabel Hillam - showing great teamwork and initiative on our cubby building excursion.

Junior Primary Black

Marley Smith - showing persistence and impressive creativity on our cubby building excursion.

Middle Primary Gold

Oliver North - stepping up as a leader in using his initiative.

Middle Primary Black

Seth Ryles - working hard to improve his handwriting.

Upper Primary Gold

Charlotte Ladson - always being a helpful and independent class member.

Upper Primary Black

Tehya Fawdry - living out our class values and always putting in her best effort with all her work.

Class Awards - Term 3 Week 7

Junior Primary Gold

James Rathjen - showing Tiger values and always being a friendly, helping hand.

Junior Primary Black

Max Bailey - attempting to become a more independent writer - well done!

Middle Primary Gold

Cohen Bender - making good choices in class and being kind to his peers.

Middle Primary Black

Bailey Harvie - using his initiative and always volunteering to help others.

Upper Primary Gold

Amilee Harvie - showing leadership by helping out her peers.

Jorja Kuhn - putting the effort in to build on the vocabulary in her sentences.

Upper Primary Black

Zenith Smith - living out our values consistently this week.

Class Awards - Term 3 Week 8

Junior Primary Gold

Deniella Candy - impressive improvement in her reading, spelling and phoneme recognition.

Junior Primary Black

Abby Peacock - being a great leader and guiding other peers.

Middle Primary Gold

Hannah Burdett - using her initiative in class to help out and to help herself learn.

Middle Primary Black

Jackson Lear - working hard to catch up spelling this week.

Upper Primary Gold

Willow Cazzolato - impressive and informative 'Surprise Me' presentation.

Upper Primary Black

Felicity Donald - being a respectful and engaged learner in all subjects.

~ Congratulations to all our award recipients ~

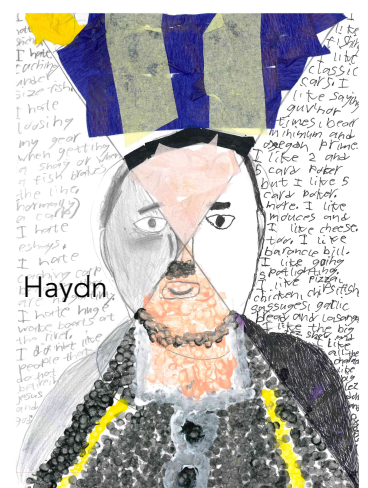
Upper Primary Black - Mixed Media Self Portraits



What is a Mixed Media Self Portrait?

Imagine creating a work of art that both describes you physically, mentally, and emotionally.

One half shows you on the outside, the other shows who you may be on the inside. Combining words, images, drawing, and different media you will create this self-portrait.



Support and Grounds Crew

In Upper Primary, students have been given the opportunity to have a leadership role. For the support and grounds committee, their role is to help out around our school. With the grounds committee, they look after the sports shed and to make sure that everything on our school grounds is tidy and all going smoothly. We noticed a need for this role when our grounds were starting to get mistreated and misused. The role of the support crew is to help people out with anything they need but it is mostly teachers or SSOs that need the help. One of these roles has been helping teachers with enterprise and helping set up for SAKG and Tiny Tigers. The crew have also been helping Necia with any jobs that she might need done.



Support Crew (left);
Amilee, Ariel, Molly,
Maddy, Ryley, Lila and
Brandon



Grounds Crew (right);
Elouise, Danté,
Reagan, Brady and
Levi, (Haydn absent)

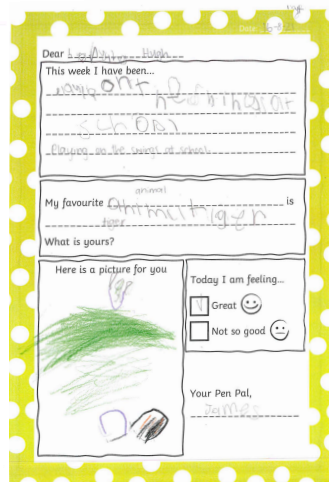
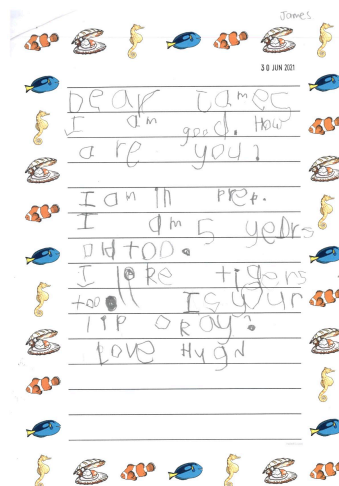
Junior Primary Excursion

Last Thursday, our Reception/Year 1 Junior Primary students went on an excursion to Belair National Park. It was a fun day of cubby building, where we were able to build on our fine motor skills through play discovery time and creative construction. The weather was beautiful and we enjoyed a yummy tea together when we returned to school. Thanks to Sally Peacock, Kenz Lindner, and Leila Dahlitz for joining us and helping out on the day!



Junior Primary Pen Pals

Last term, the Junior Primary Reception/Year 1 class began participating in the nation wide Pen Pal program with Australia Post. Over the last two terms they have been communicating with their pen pals from South Arm Primary School in Tasmania. Pictured is James with a recent letter from his pen pal and his reply.



Year 6/7 District Basketball Carnival

On Tuesday in Week 8, we took two teams to participate in the Murraylands Schools Basketball competition at the Murray Bridge Basketball Stadium. The girl participants in the competition were Matilda Stone, Elouise Kuhn, Alarah Sipos, Ariel Challenger, Reagan Martin, Amilee Harvie and Lila Stapleton. In the boys competition was Brandan Pahl, Levi Gray, Brady Roden, Dominick Swansson, Zenith Smith, Kallan Hearne and Haydn Castle.

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

The girls won four out of their six games taking home trophy for the best team from the small schools. Unfortunately, the boys went down in all of their six games, with their closest game being a loss to North with the opposition scoring on the buzzer to win the game.



It's a Girl! 💖

On 3rd September 2021, our whole school took part in a gender reveal party for Mrs Hein. A couple of students from her class decided they were going to plan it, and wow! didn't they do a great job!

A big thank you to Linda Pike for making shirts for the big reveal along with Shayla, a driving force and future party planner!

Congratulations....it's a girl!



Sustainability Casual Day

Thanks to everyone for supporting our Sustainability Committee Casual Day held recently. A total of \$144.10 was raised, which will go towards the purchase of new recycling bins.



Introducing SRC Leader... Amilee Harvie

As an SRC leader, I hope to... be a role model to students of the school.

Something you don't know about me is... I have played the piano for the last 6 years and still do.

A quote I like to live my life by is... 'If they say it's impossible, it's impossible for them, but not for me.'

Someone I really look up to is... my Mum.. because she believes I can do anything and be anyone I want to be.



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

Mrs Hein's Year 2/3 class has been learning Science this term in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. Recently, they wrapped up their Science unit with some outdoor cooking over the bonfire.



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Sarah and Zac Bailey on the safe arrival of Grace Anne, born on 7th July 2021. Grace is a little sister to Hannah (preschool) and Max (Reception).

Congratulations to Felicia and Ash Martin on the safe arrival of Leo Henry, born on 3rd September 2021. Leo is a little brother to Hudson (preschool), Imogen (Year 1), Noah (Year 4), Reagan (Year 7) and Georgia (Year 9).

Champions' Cup Results (end of Week 9 Term 3 and progressive total)

Red (Murray) 97 points / 2901 points

Gold (Finnis) 89 points / 2624 points

Blue (Hindmarsh) 78 points / 2243 points

Mosquitoes

Over the last few weeks, and with the warmer weather now here, a large number of students have been visiting our first aid room with mosquito bites to their arms and legs. Whilst we apply our 'first aid spray' to the affected bites at school to relieve itchiness, here is a tip for you at home, application is especially beneficial soon after being bitten!

Lavender oil!... Lavender oil is great for soothing bites AND preventing them. It's especially unique for treating mosquito bites because lavender is known to stop bleeding while being an anti-inflammatory and antibacterial agent. It is advised to dilute your essential oil with a carrier oil unless you are sprinkling the oil on your sheets to keep mosquitoes away while you are sleeping.





School Hats

Today, we have sent home all school hats to be washed during the holidays. We have noticed a lot of 'grubby' hats being worn, so a 'freshen up' will be great, especially before we recommence having visitors to our school shop. If your child is in need of a new bucket hat in Term 4, they can be purchased from the office for \$7.70. We also have a limited supply of slouch (broad brimmed without a toggle) hats available to purchase for \$8.25.

UNNAMED Plastic containers & drink bottles!

Also during the holidays, we kindly ask that you check your child/ren's drink bottles, lunch boxes and containers to make sure they are permanently labelled with their name on it.

We continue to have a large amount of **unnamed** items end up in our lost property box (including unnamed jumpers and jackets).

 Classroom Enterprise 	
Middle Primary BLACK Thursday Recess	
	Icecream in a cone *includes sprinkles \$1.50 each
Middle Primary GOLD Thursday Lunch	
Salad Roll \$3.00 each *choice of ham, chicken or cheese with salad	
*Please encourage your child to order and pay for their own food Name – *Please order and pay for all Enterprise Food on Monday and Tuesday. All Enterprise orders will be taken @ the Kitchen servery prior to 8:55am. Thank you @ GST included	

Term 4 Classroom Enterprise

Thanks to everyone who supported this term's classroom enterprise recess and lunch. All money raised from enterprise food throughout the year supports class fundraising to help subsidise resources, excursions and camps.

Ice-creams in a cone and salad rolls are on offer next term!

Students are asked to order and pay for all enterprise food on Monday and Tuesday mornings (before 8:55am) at the kitchen servery.

Thanks for your support!

Let's see if we can arrive by 8:55am!

Children who often arrive late to school can be disadvantaged in a number of ways. They may feel embarrassed, uncertain or unhappy as they miss instructions, information and knowledge about what is happening in the day. Lateness may also have an unsettling effect on the rest of the class, which is attempting to settle into daily routines. We are all human.. we know cars won't start and sleep-ins can occur and we are happy to accept that children arrive late on the odd occasion because of unforeseen circumstances. However, we kindly ask that children arrive to school before bell time at 8:55am each day so they are recorded on the roll book as being in attendance. Thank you!

BUILDING ATTENDANCE HABITS

How to help your child build a habit of going to preschool or school every day.

 regular evening and bedtime routine and enough sleep	 limit the use of electronic devices in the evenings	 help your child be organised in the morning to get them to school on time
 arrange alternative transport in case something unexpected happens	 take family vacations during school holidays	 make appointments outside of school hours or in school holidays
 talk positively about school	 show interest in what your child is learning, their progress and their friends	 regularly communicate with your child's teacher


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Middle Primary Black - Persuasive Writing

Should we Recycle Plastics? by Gibson

Plastic is bad because it does not decompose for thousands of years. I believe that we should recycle plastic.

Firstly, plastics make animals sick. The animals get sick from eating plastic all the time from people throwing it into the forest.

Secondly, plastic can be reused. You reuse plastic by melting it down to make plastic bottles, play equipment and plastic bags. Some people don't even care about the environment so that's why we should recycle plastic.

Thirdly, it is destroying the world with plastic pollution. It is piling up everywhere and that's leaving no space for people to live.

In conclusion, we should recycle plastic because it goes into landfill, it blows into the environment and it kills the animals. Do you think we should recycle plastic? If you don't, then you're wrong.



SAPSASA Track & Field

CONGRATULATIONS to Ariel Challinger, Tehya Fawdry, Brandan Pahl and Reagan Martin who all competed at the SAPSASA Track & Field State Championships at Santos Stadium in Adelaide on Monday.

Ariel competed in the 13yo girls relay team, who snuck in for a gold medal win (along with teammates each from Unity College, Murray Bridge North School and Tyndale Christian School).

Teyha Fawdry competed in the 12yo girls relay team, which she found nerve wracking but a fun experience.

Brandan Pahl competitively competed in both the 13yo boys 1500m and 800m events. Brandan found the races enjoyable but unfortunately didn't come away with a win.

Reagan Martin competed in the 12yo girls discus event. Reagan said it was great getting to the Santos level of track and field events.

Each were chosen athletes for the Murraylands region, competing against other country regions for 2021.



Class Unit Master Class

Due to COVID restrictions, this year we were unable to hold our annual Master Class program with parent/community member volunteers. Instead, on Wednesday, we ran our own class unit Master Class sessions, which was a whole lot of fun! Our Junior Primary unit created artwork using a 'spring theme' and the Middle Primary unit took part in an outdoor activity, created pin art and poured chocolate into moulds to make shapes. The Upper Primary unit created artwork using water colours, used 'Kahoot' (student led interactive quizzes), played board games and cards and used Jimu (a robot inventor kit).





Student of the Term

Term 3 2021



Upper Primary Black
Brandan Pahl

Upper Primary Gold
Makayla Baker

Middle Primary Black
Luke Pontt

Middle Primary Gold
Alexis Schutz

Junior Primary Black
Eva Perry

Junior Primary Gold
Charlie Rohde



CONGRATULATIONS TO
ALL OUR AWARD
RECIPIENTS!

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



Most Improved Student of the Term

Term 3 2021

Upper Primary Black
Madison Ray

Upper Primary Gold
Lachie Ash

Middle Primary Black
Hendrix Sharrad

Middle Primary Gold
Harry McNeilly

Junior Primary Black
April Slotegraaf

Junior Primary Gold
Charlotte Ash



Planner - Term 4 2021

Week 1	11/10	12/10 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	13/10 . ICAS Maths and English Assessments (selected students)	14/10 . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	15/10	16/10 & 17/10
Week 2	18/10 . Newsletter	19/10 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	20/10 . ICAS Science Assessments (selected students)	21/10 . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	22/10	23/10 & 24/10
Week 3	25/10	26/10 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers . Choir practice day	27/10 . Middle Primary Unit Aldinga camp	28/10 . Middle Primary Unit Aldinga camp . Choir performance day . No enterprise recess/lunch	29/10 . Middle Primary Unit Aldinga camp	30/10 & 31/10
Week 4	1/11 . Newsletter	2/11 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	3/11 . Upper Primary Unit West Beach camp	4/11 . Upper Primary Unit West Beach camp . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	5/11 . Upper Primary Unit West Beach camp . From 6:00pm MCSC tea	6/11 & 7/11
Week 5	8/11 Student Free Day	9/11 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	10/11 . Police presentation: <i>Cycling/skating and the law (whole school)</i>	11/11 . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	12/11	13/11 & 14/11
Week 6	15/11 . Newsletter	16/11 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	17/11	18/11 . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	19/11	20/11 & 21/11
Week 7	22/11	23/11 . 9:00am FINAL Tiny Tigers for the year . School concert (on the school oval)	24/11	25/11 . MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll)	26/11 . MFC AGM (6:00pm juniors / 7:00pm seniors) @ the MCSC	27/11 & 28/11

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club

AGM - Friday 26th November 2021 (6:00pm juniors / 7:00pm seniors) at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club.

CONGRATULATIONS to past student Riley Walton on being awarded the 2021 Under 18 Connolly Medal at this year's RMFL junior medal count.