

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Your dream doesn't have an expiration date. Take a deep breath and try again."

~ Kt Witten ~

Term 4, Week 6 15th November 2021

Happy Birthday!

20/11 - Van (Reception)
23/11 - Bella (Year 5)
23/11 - Eden (Year 1)
23/11 - Hollie (Year 1)
24/11 - Molly (Year 6)
26/11 - Seth (Year 4)
27/11 - Charlotte (Year 3)
29/11 - Pheonix (Year 3)

Save the Date!

Dates and information for end of year school events and celebrations (COVID restrictions permitting):-

School Concert ~ 'Carols by COVID' (on the school oval)

Thursday 25th November 2021 @ 6:00pm for 6:30pm start

please note change of date

Whole School Transition to next year's classes (including 2022 Reception students and current Year 7s Transition to MBHS)

Tuesday 30th November 2021

Year 6 Transition to MBHS

Thursday 2nd December 2021

End of Year Fun Day @ the Murray Bridge Swimming Pool (whole school)

Tuesday 7th December 2021. Please return forms asap!

Year 6 & 7 Graduation/Dinner (held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club)

Wednesday 8th December 2021. More information to follow.

End of Year Assembly (held at the school)

2:45pm Thursday 9th December 2021 - dismissal 3:25pm

Last day of the school year

Friday 10th December 2021 - early dismissal 2:25pm

Return of Library Books

As the borrowing of library books has now finished for the year, please return all books to the library as soon as possible.

Thanks, Jane

We Roar as One!

Emma ❤️

It is with heavy hearts that we share with you the passing of our dear friend and colleague, Emma Stewart. Emma inspired us all with her bravery and her commitment, to her family, her community and our school. Emma touched all of us and while we are sad, we receive great comfort knowing that Emma is no longer suffering and that she leaves behind an amazing family. To Jason, Jake, Bodi, Ben and Luke and Emma's extended family, we send our love and be assured, the wonderful Mypo community, including our school, will always support your beautiful family. Emma's memorial will be held at the Mypolonga Combined Sport's Clubrooms on Tuesday 23rd November at 2pm. A beautiful and courageous lady at rest. We love you Emm.

Congratulations Jane!

As a team, while grieving, we were buoyed by the news that Jane had become a Nanna when her daughter Ali and son-in-law Neil, gave birth to a beautiful girl, Meg Jane Anderson. I love the photo at our 'Future Me' disco of Jane with Renay. Jane is hoping to travel, while Renay is holding 3 babies. Incredibly what Renay thought would happen has become Jane's reality. Jane's three children are all in the process of having babies. Jane, having gone through really tough times when her husband Greg passed away at a young age, is testament to the resilience of our community and how our support really makes a difference when times are tough.



Congratulations Ruth!

While I would be very proud of any Murray Bridge High School Principal being recognised as the SA Secondary Principal of the Year in the SA Public Teaching Awards, (given that most of our kids go there), I am especially proud that my sister, Ruth Mussger, has been given this great accolade. Ruth has worked hard to lead a great team to connect with primary schools to make the transition to high school seamless. At our review, one of the comments the review team made was that they had 'never seen kids more prepared for high school'. I think this has been a given for many years for us. Ruth invited our Mum, my sister Renee and myself to the awards ceremony.



Change of Date

We have had to change the date of our School Concert ~ Carols by COVID to Thursday 25th November 2021. We sincerely hope that we have not inconvenienced anybody and we did not make the decision lightly. Further details, including answers to frequently asked questions is being emailed to families today.

Warm Regards,

Rita

SAPOL Road Safety Sessions

Last Wednesday, we were fortunate to have Senior Constable David Garner (aka Policeman Dave) from the Road Safety Section and Senior Constable Kim Ide from the Murray Bridge Crime Prevention Section deliver informative and age appropriate road safety sessions to our students.

The sessions, organised by SAPOL, emphasised pedestrian, passenger and cycling safety so students can develop appropriate skills and knowledge that will help make them safer in the road environment.

Our Year 6 & 7 students also received Internet Safety training and our Year 4 & 5 students participated in School Crossing Monitor Training in readiness for next year's duties as children's crossing monitors.



Junior Primary Unit Outdoor Classroom Day

In Week 4, our Junior Primary classes joined to have an outdoor classroom day. Fun learning activities included a scavenger hunt, mud painting, making nature clocks and word forming using sticks. They measured their shadows and cooked damper and sausages on an open fire. It was a lot of fun!



Leila



Vann & Hunter

Murraylands YEL (Young Environmental Leaders) Forum

In Term 4, Week 5, Sustainability Leaders Ellie, Alarah, Ledja, Ella and Lyam went to the Swanport Wetlands for their final YEL excursion. During our session the main focus was learning about water and its significance throughout wetlands and agriculture. We were instructed to do multiple different tasks involving water use and the animals that live in it. First Rita and Micheal performed a Ngarrindjeri welcome to country and then taught us how to perform different dances that they had choreographed.



We then split into groups of 3 or 4 and did an activity with blindfolds to replicate how fish eat in water. We learnt how hard it is for fish to eat with all the pollution, rubbish and murkiness of water due to the amount of carp we have. We also did an experiment that showed us how much freshwater is accessible on the earth. We learned that 3% of the world's water is freshwater, but only 1% is available for human use.

We then moved on to learn about fish and the wetlands they live in. They pulled in a drum net to see what fish were living in the wetlands. The main thing we found was carp and baitfish. We also passed around shrimp and fish to see what they looked like. Our final activity was to measure how much water different river materials could hold.

We had a great time learning about the river and its importance present and into the future.

YEL Leaders, Ellie, Lyam, Ledja, Alarah, Ella

Remembrance Day 2021

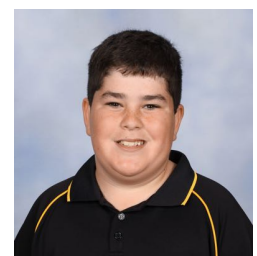
To acknowledge Remembrance Day this year, the Upper Primary Gold class held a discussion in groups about why the day is so important. They were each given a picture and wrote, See, Think, Wonder thoughts about their picture and shared this with the class. To end the lesson they made Origami Poppies, which they found a little challenging!



Pictured right; Charlotte & Charlotte!

SAPSASA Cricket

In Week 4, Zenith Smith proudly represented the Murraylands in the boys Year 6/7 SAPSASA cricket carnival in Adelaide. 'Our team played four games over four days, losing two and winning two. The best thing about playing during SAPSASA week was being part of a team, winning our games by over 100 runs and playing on a turf pitch. I also play for Mypo's Under 15s team on Saturday mornings.'
Zenith



Choir

Recently, our Choir travelled to the Murray Bridge Town Hall for the Regional Choir Performance Rehearsal. A couple of days later, the performance was held, with a recording being taken for families to purchase a DVD.

We were very proud of all our Choir students.



UPPER PRIMARY CAMP

West Beach Caravan Park
 Activities in Glenelg
 Harbour Town
 Central Markets
 Centre of Democracy
 Museum of Discover
 Middleton Surfing



MIDDLE PRIMARY CAMP

Aldinga Beach
 Coastal Activities
 Reef & Rockpool Experience
 Traditional Cooking
 Bush Tucker Walk
 Kaurna Cultural Experience



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From around the school...

JPG Narratives (Isabel)

UPG Wandjina Artworks (Mikaela)

JPG Remembrance Day Stained Glass Windows (Noah & James)



Planner - Term 4 2021

MCSC - Mypolonga Combined Sports Club / MFC - Mypolonga Football Club / MBHS - Murray Bridge High School / MNLC - Mypolonga Netball League Club / MCC - Mypolonga Cricket Club / YEL - Young Environmental Leaders

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 . White Ribbon Day . School Shop . 6:00pm Mypo RSL Bingo Tea	20/11 & 21/11
Week 7	22/11	23/11 . 9:00am FINAL Tiny Tigers for the year	24/11 . Premier's Reading Challenge medal presentation	25/11 . FINAL MPB enterprise recess (icecream in a cone) . FINAL MPG enterprise lunch (salad roll) . 6:00pm for 6:30pm start ~ SCHOOL CONCERT 'Carols by COVID' (on the school oval)	26/11 . School Shop . MFC AGM (6:00pm juniors / 7:00pm seniors) @ the MCSC	27/11 & 28/11
Week 8	29/11 . Newsletter	30/11 . School transition day (Reception to Year 6 students in next year's classes / Year 7 transition @ Murray Bridge High School)	1/12	2/12 . Year 6 transition to Murray Bridge High School	3/12 . Last School Shop for the year . From 6:00pm MCSC tea . MNLC AGM 7:00pm at the MCSC	4/12 & 5/12
Week 9	6/12	7/12 . 9:30am SRC Fun Day @ the Murray Bridge Swimming Pool	8/12 . Year 6/7 Graduation Dinner @ the MCSC	9/12 . 2:45pm school assembly outside (weather permitting) . 3:25pm dismissal	10/12 - Last day of the school year . Newsletter . 2:25pm early dismissal	11/12 & 12/12

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club

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

Mypolonga Netball League Club

AGM - Friday 3rd December 2021 @ 7:00pm at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club.

Mypolonga Progress Association

Meeting being held at 7:00pm at the Mypolonga RSL on 7th December 2021. An invitation has been extended to Elected Members of the Rural City of Murray Bridge to attend to discuss all things Mypo - both current & future. All Welcome!

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