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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Every champion was once a contender that refused to give up."

~ Robert "Rocky" Balboa (also known by his ring name The Italian Stallion) is a fictional character played by Sylvester Stallone in the Rocky film series ~

Term 3, Week 4 14th August 2023

Term 3 Assembly Roster

Week 4 - Lucinda, Madison B, Dom Week 6 - Luke P, Bella, Jeremy

Happy birthday!

15/8 - Gracie (Year 4)

18/8 - Xanthe (Year 1)

22/8 - Alexis (Year 4)

25/8 - Billy (Reception)

26/8 - Luke P (Year 6)

Future Student Free/School Closure Days

Monday 4th September 2023 - School Closure

Tuesday 5th September 2023 - Student Free Day

Friday 17th November 2023 - Student Free Day

The school will be closed on these days.

Murray Bridge High School 2024 Key Transition Dates

Monday 18th September 2023 - Parent conferences

Tuesday 26th September 2023 - Parent conferences

Tuesday 14th November 2023 - Information night and uniform fit night

Tuesday 5th December 2023 - Transition day at Murray Bridge High School. (This is also transition day for all our students into their 2024 classes).



We Roar as One!

SAPSASA District Day

Well done to the 14 students who participated in the SAPSASA Athletics district day last Tuesday. I believe they performed very well, taking home second place in the small school's category. Well done to Azalea and Ruby (pictured right) who have been successful in qualifying to compete at SANTOS stadium later in the year. Thanks to Jacob Rance, Brock Smith and the parents that assisted and supported the students on the day.

Parent Opinion Surveys

A reminder that our Parent Opinion Surveys are now open. From Tuesday 1st August 2023 you would have received an email or SMS from the Parent Survey Team with a unique link to participate in the survey.

If you did not receive an email or SMS with your unique survey link, contact education.ParentSurvey@sa.gov.au and include our school's name in your email. The survey takes less than 10

minutes and will help us understand; what we're doing well, where we can improve, what's important to you. It has been coordinated centrally so that added administration workload isn't placed on the school. Your answers will not identify you or your child. Only collated feedback will be provided to our school. Information collected will inform school improvement planning and activities at the school. The survey closes midnight Sunday 27th August 2023.



Last Tuesday evening at the community meeting held in the Mypolonga Institute, the CEO of Murray Bridge Council, Heather Barclay, outlined the plans to remove the temporary levee at the bottom of town and in front of the school. The decision was made to begin removing the structure from the Irene Hughes Park end, working back toward the school. This process will begin in the last week of Term 3, so that the bulk of the levee can hopefully be removed during the Term 3 school holidays, creating as minimal disruption as possible to school and town traffic.

NAPLAN Results

It has been pleasing to look through our NAPLAN data, here is a summary: Year 3 whole school proficiency level of 'Strong' in Numeracy, Reading, Writing and Spelling. With 67% of students achieving in Strong or Exceeding across all test measures. Year 5 whole school proficiency level of 'Strong' in Numeracy, Reading, Grammar and Spelling. With 78% of all students achieving in Strong or Exceeding across all test measures.

Growth Rates year 3-5

Reading growth rates from Year 3 to 5 in the middle and upper levels were 83%. Numeracy growth rates from Year 3 to 5 in the middle and upper levels were 100% (with 58% of students demonstrating upper growth – 25% national average).

NAPLAN is not the only data that we use to measure how a student is progressing academically, there are many aspects of children's skills and abilities that are not tested through NAPLAN. We will continue to support the needs of all students and encourage them to work on their strengths and weaknesses in all areas, as we can all be successful in different aspects of life.

As always, my door is open and I look forward to hearing your thoughts on ways that we can improve what we do here at Mypolonga PS. Feel free to send me an email, or make a time to meet with me.

Working together, Sunyl Vogt









Old Scholar News

We love receiving and reading updates on past MPS scholars.

Congratulations to past student Makayla Stimpson (2019) on being the first female RMFL panel umpire to umpire an A Grade match, taking place recently between Tailem Bend and Coorong Cats.

Makayla is only 17 years of age and started umpiring in 2022.

Makayla also plays netball for the Mypolonga Netball Club each Saturday.

Well done Makayla!

Source: RMFL Facebook page



Junior Primary Gold students have been learning about the days of the week through the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle. Pictured; Hannah and Oakley.



SAPSASA Athletics District Day

Last Tuesday, selected students from Years 4 to 6 travelled to Unity College to compete in the SAPSASA Murraylands District Athletics Day.



They competed against schools from our region, competing in all of the athletics events from Sports' Day.

Our school again performed well in this competition, coming second in the SAPSASA school performance shield, which takes into consideration the size of the school.

Our students both competed and behaved tremendously well and should be proud to be selected for the day and the accomplishments they achieved.

Congratulations and well done to; Riley, Ruby, Jeremy, Shayla, Zara H, Alexis, Hannah, Trik, Bailey, Luke S, Noah, Lainie, Lucinda, Hendrix and Azalea (pictured below with Brock and Jacob).



Book Fair is Coming!

To celebrate Book Week 2023, the school will once again be holding a Book Fair. The children will have the opportunity to purchase books, from picture books through to novels and nonfiction. There is something for everyone!

Date: Wednesday 23rd August 8.30am in the library area

The books will be at the school at the commencement of that week (21/8) and students will have the opportunity to view the display. Children will be given wish list forms and they can make their selections on the form. This form is then brought home to you. Older students will support younger students in their buddy classes to fill in their forms.

On the morning of the Fair, children can make their purchases commencing at 8.30am. Payment on the day can be made by cash or EFTPOS. Unfortunately, no online payments can be accepted. A Book Fair flyer is being sent home with this newsletter for your reference only.

Book Week

This year, the Book Week themes are "Read, Grow, Inspire" and "Hats off to Reading" (Scholastics). To celebrate Book Week 2023, we will be holding a dress-up parade on Wednesday 23rd August after the Book Fair from approximately 9.15am.

The children can dress as a favourite book character or just wear a favourite hat. Parents are welcome to join us for the parade on the tennis court. Keep an eye out for your child's wish list next week and we are all looking forward to the Fair!





Class Awards - Term 3 Week 2

Junior Primary Gold

Jackson - showing persistence and working hard on learning tasks.

Junior Primary Black

Xanthe - being successful with moving forward in her reading test.

Middle Primary Gold

Jarrah - having an outstanding week of learning and resilience building.

Alex - always being a kind, supportive friend and participating positively in class discussions.

Middle Primary Black

Leila - being a focussed and positive learner.

Zoe - fantastic sentences in literacy rotations.

Upper Primary Gold

Emily - always showing kindness to her peers.

Pheobe - showing maturity when supporting a peer.

Upper Primary Black

Jackson - enthusiastic participation in Science this week

Bailey - working well across all learning areas with maturity and focus.

Class Awards - Term 3 Week 3

Junior Primary Gold

Paddy - being a positive and engaged learner.

Middle Primary Gold

Marley - noticing fractions in her everyday life.

Middle Primary Black

Oliver C - great focus and effort during Technology lessons.

Upper Primary Gold

William - excellent work and leadership in SAKG.

Upper Primary Black

Mila - showing excellence in the classroom, particularly in Spelling time.

Lost Property

Please remember to ask your child (as we do at school) to check the lost property box. It is starting to build with **unnamed** jackets, jumpers (with and without school logo) and plastic containers.

PLEASE label all items with your child's name! Thanks:)

All remaining items at the end of the term will be put on our SRC second hand clothing rack for sale or donated to a local charity.

PLEASE UPDATE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THE FRONT OFFICE IF ANYTHING HAS CHANGED











Student Representative Council 'SRC'

The SRC represents the views of the students of Mypolonga Primary School. It is an integral part of the decision-making which occurs through the school. Our SRC Co-ordinator is Jacob Rance.

Among other things, our SRC organises our annual school disco and themed Casual Days once a term to raise funds for important charities and causes. A Fun Day is also held on the last day of school to celebrate the year.

Class elections were recently held and we congratulate the following students on being elected SRC representatives for Semester 2 (pictured below):

Year 6 Leaders: Lainie, Scarlett

Year 5: Tayla

Year 4: Taite, Gracie, Pheonix Year 3: Hamish, Imogen

Year 2: Noah Year 1: Peyton Reception: Billy



SRC Leadership

We have a valuable resource at school from GRIPLEADERSHIP, which we have given to our 2023 SRC Leaders; 101 Great Habits for Student Leaders. This semester's student leaders, Lainie and Scarlett were given a copy of the resource to identify which 'habit' they consider the most important to them.

Lainie

#2. Exercise

Exercise helps your body and mind. Find something that works for you, it could be jogging, an active sport or even dancing.

#71. Ask Questions

If you don't know the answer to something, don't be embarrassed to ask! Too often people miss out on a chance to learn something new because they have a bad habit of not being bothered to find out more.

Scarlett

#30. Give Compliments

Get into the habit of saying positive comments to the people around you. Congratulate them on their actions (like 'great work'), but also on times that you see them demonstrate great character.

#39. Say Thank You

It can feel wonderful to be thanked by a leader, even if it relates to something small or something that was expected. You could do this with a few genuine words in person, or your habit could be to write a short thank you note.





Mypolonga Primary School

Planner - Term 3 2023

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 4	14/8 . Newsletter	15/8 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers . 2:25pm - 3:25pm Masterclass	16/8 . ICAS English assessment (selected students) . MP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	17/8 MP unit enterprise recess (doughnuts)	18/8 . 2:45pm Assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available . Mypo RSL Bingo tea 6:00pm tea / 7:30pm bingo	19/8 & 20/8 . Round 17 RMFL/RMNA Coorong -v- Mypo @ Meningie
Week 5	21/8 * BOOK WEEK *	22/8 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers . 2:25pm - 3:25pm Masterclass	23/8 . Book Fair . ICAS Science assessment (selected students) . MP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs) . 7:00pm MCC AGM at the MCSC	24/8 MP unit enterprise recess (doughnuts)	25/8 . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	26/8 & 27/8 .26/8 Round 18 RMFL/ RMNA Tailem -v- Mypo @ Tailem .27/8 - RMFL Under 11s Carnival @ Lameroo
Week 6 No class enterprise this week!	28/8 . Middle Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington . Newsletter	29/8 . Middle Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	30/8 . Middle Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington	31/8 . ICAS Maths assessment (selected students)	1/9 . 2:45pm Assembly . MCSC Friday night monthly tea (dine in or take away)	2/9 & 3/9 . 2/9 RMFL/ RMNA Qualifying Final @ Jervois . 3/9 RMFL/ RMNA Elimination Final @ Mypo
Week 7 No class enterprise this week!	4/9 School Closure Day	5/9 Student Free Day	6/9 . Upper Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington	7/9 . Upper Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington	8/9 . Upper Primary unit Camp @ El Shaddai Wellington . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	9/9 & 10/9 .9/9 RMNA Preliminary Final @ Imps .9/9 RMFL Second Semi Final @ Imps .10/9 First Semi Final @ Meningie
Week 8	11/9 . Newsletter . 7:00pm Finance meeting . 7:30pm Governing Council meeting	12/9 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	13/9 . MP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	14/9 . Junior Primary Gold excursion @ Kuitpo Forest . MP unit enterprise recess (doughnuts)	15/9 . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	16/9 & 17/9 . RMFL Preliminary Final @ Tailem Bend . RMNA Grand Final @ Tailem Bend
Week 9	18/9 . Parent conferences @ MBHS (Year 6s) . RMFL Mail Medal Dinner	19/9 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	20/9 . MP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	21/9 MP unit enterprise recess (doughnuts)	22/9 . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	23/9 & 24/9 . 23/9 RMFL Grand Final @ Ramblers
Week 10	25/9 . Junior Primary Black camp @ Adelaide Zoo . MFC Junior Presentations @ the Club	26/9 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers . Parent conferences @ MBHS (Year 6s)	27/9 . MP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	28/9 . 2:45pm End of Term Assembly (inc. presentation of awards) . MP unit enterprise recess (doughnuts)	29/9 . Newsletter . 2:25pm early dismissal . MFC senior presentation night at the Club (by invitation)	30/9 & 1/10

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