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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Don't take criticism from someone you wouldn't take advice from."

~ Morgan Freeman is an American actor and producer. He is known for his distinctive deep voice and various roles in a wide variety of film genres. ~

Term 4, Week 2 23rd October 2023

Happy birthday!

24/10 - Max (Year 2)

Literacy Cup Results (end of Week 1 Term 4 and progressive total)

Red (Murray) 150 points / 2961 points Gold (Finnis) 108 points / 2421 points Blue (Hindmarsh) 123 points / 1979 points

Calendar Dates / Student Free Day

A reminder that **Friday 17th November 2023** is a Student Free
Day. The school will be closed on this
day to allow for staff training.

Please also refer to the planning calendar on the back of this newsletter for important events occurring in Term 4. Further details will be sent home as the dates draw closer.

SAPSASA Cricket

CONGRATULATIONS to

Year 6 students Noah, Luke and Bailey on being selected in the Murraylands team participating in the SAPSASA state cricket carnival being held in Adelaide from Tuesday 7th November until Thursday 9th November 2023. Good luck boys and enjoy your week!



SRC Casual Day Supporting the Smith Family

The Smith Family
Learn today, change tomorrow.

Thanks to our school families' generosity of spirit, we raised a total of \$155.50 from our casual day held on the last day of Term 3. The money raised will go to the Smith Family Foundation, which focuses on helping young Australians to overcome education inequality caused by poverty.



We Roar as One!

Hello everyone

Long-time reader, and first-time writer of the Principal address. Welcome to Term 4! This term, as always, will fly by. Students can sometimes start sensing the finish line for the year, but we must finish as well as we started. Your assistance with getting home learning completed, reading at home and having set routines is appreciated and so valuable in having engaged learners when they are here at school.

Disco

As you would have seen over the last weeks, we have a big day this Friday. First up we have the whole school excursion to AFL Max in Adelaide. Thanks for returning the permission form and option for the bus pick-up form so quickly. We would appreciate it if your preferred option could be adhered to as we have booked buses.

We also have the school disco on Friday at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. The theme for this event is 'Sports Theme' and will be taking place after the whole school excursion to AFL Max. This promises to be a big and exciting day for our students so it's important that they bring lots of water. Please refer to the disco note sent home last week for other important information about how the event will run. We also look forward to seeing you at our fundraiser tea following the disco at the Club at 5:30pm.

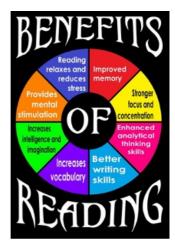
Reading at home

Mypolonga Primary School places a big emphasis on reading and the benefits it has for children in their learning. It is something that is recorded by House Captains weekly as part of the Literacy Cup, which the three teams compete for. Last term, we noticed a rise in the number of students not reading during the week.

The benefits of reading regularly are vast. It helps students with their confidence, fluency, and intonation which all lead to being able to understand more texts. It also helps improve their spelling and writing by seeing different types of texts. We appreciate all the work you do to help your children, particularly with reading. I hope that this can continue to be a priority in helping your students with their learning.

Drop off

During the holidays, a lot of work was done to remove the levee which had been built around our school. A lot of gratitude to Ash Martin and everyone who helped with all the work that was put into building and removing this levee. We appreciate how quickly our parents and caregivers have all adapted to the



changes in regards to pick up and drop off. As these changes to the roads keep occurring, we ask you to keep being flexible and following the signs that are out on the roads.

Wellbeing - Enjoy Nature

I am currently reading the book Things Are What You Make of Them by Adam Kurtz. He gives tips on how to live a happy life. One that I love is enjoying nature. Kurtz puts out a gentle reminder to go out and soak in some sun. "It's not all sunshine and rainbows," Kurtz writes, but scientifically speaking, he has a point. Research shows that about half the world suffers from Vitamin D deficiency which can take a toll on your overall health. With the weather changing, it is a perfect time to get out and smell the roses.

Be yourself, Jacob Rance



Thanks!

Class Awards - Term 4 Week 1

Junior Primary Gold

Ruby - stepping up and showing leadership in class.

Junior Primary Black

Peyton - being a confident leader within the classroom.

Middle Primary Gold

Ruby - being an enthusiastic learner and showing a positive attitude during math lessons.

Charlotte - having no Phonics errors in her book.

Middle Primary Black

Hamish - being a focused learner and having a positive start to Term 4.

Upper Primary Gold

Hannah - uses her initiative to solve problems and help others in the class. **Ruby** - always puts in 100% and likes to get things right.

Junior Primary Gold - Kimochi's

Over the course of the term, our Junior Primary Gold class will be learning all about feelings by exploring the world of 'Kimochis' (Japanese for feelings).

Each week, students will learn about a character in the Kimochi's world and discover the emotions that they feel.

This week, we met Cloud - who much like the weather, sometimes feels happy and at other times can feel sad or mad. The class learnt about Cloud's favourite saying: "It's OK to be MAD but it's not OK to be MEAN!"



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



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Tiny Tigers

We look forward to seeing our littlest Tigers return on Tuesday (24th October 2023) for our first Tiny Tigers' session in Term 4. There will be lots learning and fun things to do!

Our sessions this term will run until Tuesday 28th November 2023 (Week 7) as we have transition days and busy end of year activities happening at the school.









Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

BUSH TUCKER was the theme for the Upper Primary Gold students during their SAKG lessons in Term 3. In the garden, with support and direction from David, students designed and then made a Bush Tucker Garden/meeting area on the road side of the Upper Primary Unit. Students participated in every part of the planning and then implemented their plan. The garden still needs some final touches but as soon as it is ready, it will be an amazing outdoor classroom for the whole school.

In the Kitchen, students learnt about and cooked with bush tucker such as; pepperleaf (san choy bau), lemon myrtle (ANZAC biscuits), wattle seeds (damper) and bush tomatoes (sausage rolls) with Tayla and Annie. Our time in SAKG each year is so special and we feel lucky to get the chance to learn both in the kitchen and the garden.













SA Schools Concert Band

Late last term, players of concert band instruments in our school had the opportunity to play with members of the SA Schools Concert band. Our whole school walked up to the Mypolonga Institute to enjoy exciting and challenging music represented by a wide range of musical styles. It was a great confidence boost for our instrumental music students performing as part of their musical learning.

Feedback from our musical instrument students:

Zara: I loved the thrill of being on stage.

Hendrix: I really enjoyed performing but I was a bit nervous and shaky.

Lainie: It was fun playing with people with different instruments rather than playing the same one.

Mila: I loved the experience but it was nerve-racking. I would like to continue learning how to play the flute and bass guitar when I'm at high school.

Gibson: The student next to me helped when I lost the notes. I appreciated it.

Carla: I would like to learn the electric guitar when I am older. It was a fun and scary experience as the whole school was watching me.

Did you know? (because we are never too old to learn!)

- . There are over 1,500 musical instruments. They are broken down into six major categories including; bowed strings, woodwind, brass, percussion, keyboard, and the guitar family. Source: https://www.nationaldaycalendar.com/
- . The oldest musical instrument in the world, a 60,000-year-old Neanderthal flute is a treasure of global significance. It was discovered in Divje babe cave near Cerkno and has been declared by experts to have been made by Neanderthals. It is made from the left thighbone of a young cave bear and has four pierced holes. Source: https://www.nms.si/en



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Planner - Term 4 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 2 | 23/10 . Newsletter | 24/10 . Choir rehearsal and performance @ MB Town Hall | 25/10 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) | 26/10 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 27/10 . Whole School Excursion to AFL Max . 3:30pm School Disco . 5:30pm Disco Tea | 28/10 & 29/10 |
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| Week 3 | 30/10 | 31/10 | 1/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) | 2/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 3/11 . MCSC Friday night monthly tea (dine in or take away) | 4/11 & 5/11 |
| Week 4 | 6/11 | 7/11 | 8/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) . Newsletter | 9/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 10/11 . 2:45pm assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available | 11/11 & 12/11 |
| Week 5 | 13/11 | 14/11 . MBHS Information & Uniform Fit Night | 15/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) | 16/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 17/11 STUDENT FREE DAY . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available . from 6:00pm Mypo RSL Bingo Tea | 18/11 & 19/11 |
| Week 6 | 20/11 . Newsletter | 21/11 | 22/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) | 23/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 24/11 . 6:00pm / 7:000pm MFC junior & senior AGM held at the MCSC | 25/11 & 26/11 |
| Week 7 Last week of classroom enterprise recess/lunch | 27/11 | 28/11 | 29/11 .8:55am-12:00pm Transition for 2024 Reception students . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) | 30/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls) | 1/12 . MCSC Friday night monthly tea (dine in or take away) | 2/12 & 3/12 |
| Week 8 | . School Concert held @ the school (further details to come) . Newsletter | 5/12 . School transition day (Reception to Year 5 students in next year's classes / Year 6 transition at MBHS) | 6/12 | 7/12 | 8/12 . MNLC AGM held at the MCSC . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available | 9/12 & 10/12 |
| Week 9 | 11/12 | 12/12 | 13/12 . Year 6 Graduation at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club | 14/12 . 2:45pm End of Term Assembly (held at the school) 3:25pm dismissal | 15/12 . Last day of the school year . 2:25pm early dismissal . Newsletter | 16/12 & 17/12 |

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