

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"For me, success is not about the wins and losses. It's about helping these young fellas be the best versions of themselves on and off the field".

~ Ted Lasso is an award winning American sports comedy-drama television series airing on Apple TV ~

Term 4, Week 6 20th November 2023

Assembly Roster

Week 6 - Hendrix, Pheobe, Olivia
 Week 8 - Seth, Hannah, Taite
 Week 9 (Thursday) - Luke P, Ruby, Hamish

Happy birthday!

23/11 - Hollie (Year 3)
 23/11 - Peyton (Year 1)
 24/11 - Charlie (Year 1)
 26/11 - Seth (Year 6)
 29/11 - Pheonix (Year 5)

Save the Dates in Term 4

2024 Reception students (beginning year intake) morning Transition

8:55am - 12:00pm Wednesday 29th November 2023

School Concert (held at the School)

Monday 4th December 2023 - 6:00pm
 for a 6:30pm start

Whole School Transition to next year's classes (including beginning year 2024 Reception students and current Year 6s Transition to MBHS)
 Tuesday 5th December 2023

SRC Fun Day at the Pool

Monday 11th December 2023

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

Wednesday 13th December 2023

End of Year Assembly (held outside at the school - weather permitting)

2:45pm Thursday 14th December 2023
 3:25pm Dismissal

Last day of the school year

Friday 15th December 2023 - early dismissal 2:25pm



Government of South Australia
 Department for Education

We Roar as One!

We are really zooming through Term 4 with so many great whole school and community events winding up what has been a busy 2023!

Welcome Miss Moore

During Week 3, we welcomed Miss Eva Moore to the teaching team. Eva is a new graduate teacher and is filling the role of NIT teacher on Tuesday and Wednesday in our MP and JP classes. We welcome Eva and look forward to her contribution to student learning and the Mypolonga team.

Student Practice Teacher and Work Experience

Over the last 4 weeks, we have had Mrs Alison Marshall working in the UPG classroom with Mrs Daniel. Mrs Marshall is completing her teaching studies and has done an amazing job crafting her skills working with the students and staff. Last week, we also had past student Koby Stimpson come and complete work experience in the Middle and Junior Primary classes. It is always pleasing to see the next generation showing interest in working with children and contemplating teaching as a career path. We wish Alison and Koby well in their future professions.

Student Free Day

Last Friday, staff had a productive day, developing and refining our Site Improvement Plan which will continue to drive the best learning outcomes for the students at Mypolonga Primary School for 2024. We also had great discussions on how showing appreciation to each other is a very important part of making our team work more effectively. We know that small moments of appreciation are great for those showing it and those receiving it!

Working Bee Thanks!

What a difference some initiative, people power and a bit of time has made to the look and safety of our entrance area around the garden! Thanks to the parents, students and staff who spent about an hour and a half digging, pruning, raking, and sweeping this space into a clearer safer area for our students and visitors. The camaraderie and Generosity of people's time and Teamwork shown was amazing. The initiative from our Governing Council was appreciated, as was the organisation of David. A job well done!



Teaching Staff 2024

Reception mid-year intake - TBC

Junior Primary Gold **Reception** - Jo Wagenknecht

Junior Primary Black **Year 1/2** - Hailey Perry

Middle Primary Gold **Year 2** - Zoe Diment (Monday - Tuesday), Renay Hein (Wednesday - Friday)

Middle Primary Black **Year 3** - Kim Merritt (Monday - Wednesday), Amy Webb (Thursday - Friday)

Upper Primary Gold **Year 4/5** - Kerry Daniel

Upper Primary Black **Year 5/6** - Jacob Rance (Monday - Tuesday), Mel Carstairs (Wednesday - Friday)

NIT Teachers - Amy Stone, Zoe Diment, Sunyl Vogt, Jacob Rance

Candy Canes

With the giving season approaching, we appreciate the generosity and kindness that goes with giving cards and often candy canes. If you are to keep this tradition, we ask that candy canes be individually packaged and only handed out at the end of the school day, so that all parents can monitor their child's sugar intake. Thank you!

Working together,

Sunyl Vogt

Class Awards - Term 4 Week 3

Junior Primary Gold

Lyla - leading with kindness with our Tiny Tigers' children.

Della - trying her best and helping others in the classroom.

Junior Primary Black

Korah - being a quiet, focused worker.

Middle Primary Gold

Deniella - persisting with a writing task.

Middle Primary Black

Imogen - consistently putting 100% into her learning.

Upper Primary Black

Mila - doing an amazing job as compère at Choir.

Hendrix - doing an amazing job as compère at Choir.

ICAS Maths Assessment 2023

Congratulations to the following students on their teacher nomination and achievements in this year's ICAS Assessments.

All students will receive their certificates at this week's assembly.



MATHS

Evie (Year 2) - Credit

Noah (Year 2) - Credit

Taylor (Year 3) - Credit

Pheonix (Year 5) - Merit

William (Year 3) - Participation

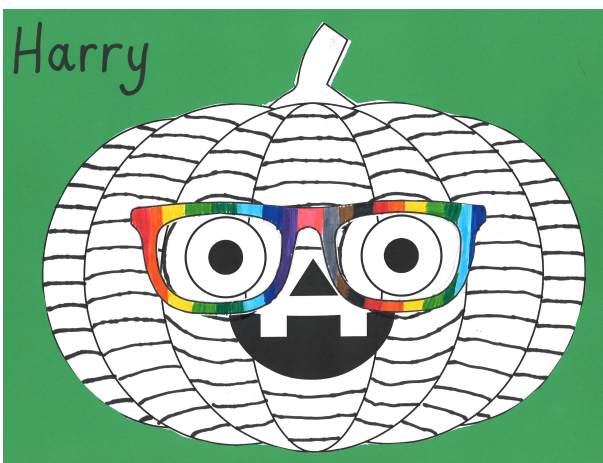
Hamish (Year 3) - Participation

Abby (Year 3) - Participation

Junior Primary Black - Visual Art

Junior Primary Black students recently engaged in a range of different learning activities around 'Halloween' including number spiders in Maths and Pumpkin Art in Visual Art.

Pictured below; Pumpkin Art by Harry and Indianna and Hunter with their number spiders.



Class Awards - Term 4 Week 4

Junior Primary Gold

Levi - showing confidence in his ability and challenging his thinking.

Billy - being a responsible class member and helping his peers to stay on track.

Junior Primary Black

Spencer - working really hard in genre writing with the book "Ellie's Dragon".

Middle Primary Gold

Ruby - being focused during the HASS lesson with Miss Moore.

Eva - being polite and engaged during all lessons.

Middle Primary Black

Felix - putting the effort in to improve his reading.

Cayce - persevering with his learning this week.

Upper Primary Gold

Rhys - working hard to bounce back from difficult situations.

Riley - always works hard to complete his work to the best of his ability.

Upper Primary Black

Dempsey - consistently demonstrating our school values in and out of the class.

EMS - Attendance

At the end of this week, our school will be changing over to a new digital platform that supports multiple administrative, learning and business management functions from one place. It is called 'EMS' (Education Management System). EMS will provide a centralised, single student record that will exist throughout each student's public education.

Our teachers and administrative staff are in the process of training in this new system. Advancing to this new system will see a change in how we record absences. To help us with this transition, we kindly ask parents/caregivers to let us know by **4:00pm daily** of any student absences, including the reason of absence (ie. family/illness). In the first instance, please relay this information to your child's classroom teacher (email preferred). Any unexplained absences will now be followed up by your child's classroom teacher. We would also appreciate it if notification of future absences (ie. family travel), can be relayed to classroom teachers by email as soon as possible as exemption from school attendance information needs to be entered into the system.

We will keep you advised of any other changes which may occur in switching over to EMS.

Thanks for your support in this.



SAPSASA Cricket

In Week 4, Luke, Noah and Bailey represented the Murraylands and participated in the SAPSASA Cricket State Carnival at West Beach.

The boys played two games a day finishing 5th in their division thanks to three straight wins to finish their campaign.

In the first game, they lost by 11 runs due to their many bowling 'extras'. All three boys retired on 20 runs.

Bailey and Noah batted in the second game and made 9 runs each.

There was success in the 3rd game, when the three boys batted, all retiring on 20 runs.

The opposition was bowled out for 36 runs in the fourth game, with the Murraylands team chasing that down in the first five overs.

The last and final game was very close, going down to the wire in the last over, with the boys winning by 6 runs. Luke opened in this game making a total of 45 runs.

Bailey made 31 runs and Noah came in swinging making 16 runs off 8 balls. With the first ball of the bowling innings in this game, they got the batsman out for a 'black duck'.

At the end of the carnival, each participant received certificates and gave their coach Riley a present.

Luke, Noah and Bailey all said it was a fun three days and a great experience, especially facing better bowlers with different bowling styles.

*all 3 boys play junior cricket for the Mypolonga Cricket Club. If you or your child have been thinking about playing cricket this year but haven't made the move to play yet, the Club would love to hear from you. Contact mypolongacc@outlook.com or message their Instagram account.



World Being Committee

Our World Being committee consists of students voted in by their peers who are kind and caring. These students are responsible for raising money for our World Vision Child, Julia (pictured below) and also communicating with her during the year. Once you get voted onto the World Being Committee you stay on it for your whole journey at Mypolonga Primary School. Our committee would like to give you an insight into Julia's life.

Julia ~ Julia is 14 years old and lives with her parents, 1 brother and 1 sister 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 fundraiser every third year. This includes a Colour Run, which we plan on having early next year. We also send the child and their community gifts to support their life and health.

At this time, Julia likes to eat 'Caracata' which is a very hard, dense, boiled dough made of dried cassava flour. It is cut up, rolled into a small ball in the palm of your hand, dipped into meat, vegetable, or fish sauce, and swallowed without chewing. In Mozambique, Julia likes going to church to celebrate festival days. Young people sing, dance, play drums, and do theatrical performances, while women prepare meals like cassava flour and corn-flour pasta for everyone to eat and enjoy.

Our World Being committee, (voted in by their peers through their show of kindness), consists of Lainie, Hannah, Emily, Abby and Nash (pictured below right) with Annie and Jacob.

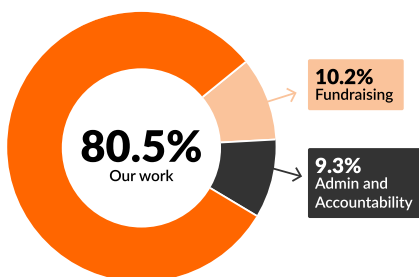
Don't Worry, Be Happy ~ Lainie, World Vision Leader

Extracted from <https://www.worldvision.com.au/>

'How your giving helps change lives..

As a leading charity in Australia, we are committed to building trust through being transparent about our operations.

80.5%* of total funds received go to field programs and advocacy work, helping families and communities. *2022 financial year*



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Reminders!

Foodbank Food Drive

If you would like to support Hunter in his Foodbank Food Drive, please refer to the list on the flyer pictured right and send your goods to school by this Wednesday 22nd November 2023.

Rotary Calendars

If you would like to purchase a 2024 Rotary Club of Murray Bridge calendar, please contact the school office or complete and return the note attached to the email link. This year, images are of the recent floods in our region. Perhaps a great Christmas Gift! Orders are to be received by Thursday 30th November 2023.



FOODBANK
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FOODBANK FOOD DRIVE

WHAT TYPE OF ITEMS TO COLLECT

CANNED MEALS	CANNED VEGGIES	CANNED FRUIT
LONG LIFE MILK	CANNED SOUP	CANNED TUNA
TEA & COFFEE	PASTA & RICE	BAKED BEANS
PASTA SAUCES	OATS & CEREAL	FLOUR
SPREADS & JAMS	VEGETABLES	MEAL BASES
NAPPIES	DENTAL PRODUCTS	WASHING PRODUCTS

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2024

MURRAY BRIDGE
ROTARY LOTTERY CALENDAR

On behalf of our friends at the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge, we are selling 2024 Rotary Lottery Calendars through the school until Thursday 30th November 2023. Each individually numbered calendar is \$20.00 to purchase, with 50% (\$10.00) being donated back to the school, and \$10.00 going towards important Rotarian Projects. Images this year are of the recent floods in our region.

Also, when you purchase a calendar, your name will go into a weekly prize draw for your chance to win cash!

Further details and terms & conditions of entry are detailed at the back of the calendar.

Please contact the school office for more information on how to purchase a calendar. Cash, EFTPOS and bank transfer all accepted.

Thanks for your support!



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 6	20/11 . Newsletter	21/11 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	22/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams)	23/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (chicken nugget rolls)	24/11 . Mannum Dentist visit . 6:00pm / 7:00pm MFC junior & senior AGM held at the MCSC (food available)	25/11 & 26/11
Week 7  Last week of classroom enterprise recess/lunch	27/11	28/11 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers (Final session for 2023)	29/11 . 8:55am-12:00pm Transition for 2024 Reception students . JP unit enterprise recess (ice-creams) . SANFL visit (girls)	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 . 2/12 Mannum Christmas Parade
Week 8	4/12  . School Concert held @ the school . 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 . Final Shop visit . MNLC AGM held at the MCSC . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	9/12 & 10/12 . 9/12 Mypolonga RSL Christmas Party . 9/12 Tailam Bend Christmas Parade
Week 9	11/12 . SRC Fun Day at the Pool (more information to follow)	12/12	13/12 . Year 6 Graduation at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club	14/12 . 2:45pm End of Year 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 23/12 & 24/12 . 23/12 MCSC Christmas Tea

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