

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter



"One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly."

~ Andrew Aitken Rooney (14/1/1919 – 4/11/2011) was an American radio and television writer ~



Term 4, Week 9 15th December 2023

Happy birthday!

19/12 - Dom (Year 5)
21/12 - Bella (Year 5)
24/12 - Jackson (Year 6)

2024

2/1 - Hamish (Year 4)
2/1 - Austin (Year 1)
3/1 - Marley (Year 2)
6/1 - Ella (Year 2)
7/1 - Tyson (Year 1)
8/1 - Ryan (Reception)
9/1 - Hannah (Reception)
11/1 - Talon (Reception)
13/1 - Paddy (Reception)
20/1 - Esther (Reception)
20/1 - Eva (Year 2)
23/1 - Lyla (Reception)
25/1 - Spencer (Year 1)
26/1 - Leila (Year 3)
27/1 - Scarlett (Year 6)
30/1 - Levi (Reception)

FINAL Literacy Cup Results for 2023

Red (Murray) 81 points / 3084 points
Gold (Finnis) 52 points / 2808 points
Blue (Hindmarsh) 45 points / 2246 points

Congratulations Murray on taking out this year's Literacy Cup!

Breaking News

Yesterday afternoon, the school was informed of the fantastic news that we had received grant funding for our Pastoral Care Worker (Brock's position) for the next 3 years! This ensures the continuation of this valuable role at Mypolonga Primary School! YAY!

From our family to yours, wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

See you in 2024!



Mypolonga
Primary
School



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

We Roar as One!

Thanks for your attendance and encouragement of students in the last few weeks of the term as we celebrated 2023.

We are very grateful for the generosity of everyone who contributed to the start of our fundraising effort for a new ride on lawnmower for the school. At our recent school concert, we received a very generous \$386.90 from those who attended. Other very generous donors have contributed \$100, and another \$500! WOW! And thank you!

Concert Feedback

We would love to have some feedback regarding our school concert. If you get the opportunity, please send me an email sunny.vogt64@schools.sa.edu.au or dl.0302.admin@schools.sa.edu.au to let us know positives, things which we can improve, or anything else which you found interesting. It would be great to have the feedback while it is fresh in your minds. Thanks!

Thank you to our Mypolonga School Community for your work and support of the school in 2023. There have been many challenges which we have worked through and great successes that we have celebrated.

Doing this together makes the load easier when it is tough, but also makes the enjoyment of the celebration all that much sweeter.

Farewell to our Year 6 students who we celebrated their Graduation on Wednesday evening. We wish you well for your future, and you are always welcome back for a visit.

Have a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year and I look forward to tackling the ongoing challenge of making mistakes and striving for Excellence with the same TIGER spirit that we have shown this year.

Please keep your eyes on your emails and our Facebook page as we keep you up to date with information for the beginning of 2024.

Working together, Sunyl Vogt





Young Leaders of the Year 2023

Our Upper Primary Young Leader Awards have been kindly donated by
Mel Carstairs and Jacob Rance

Lainie & Gibson



Student of the Year 2023

Our Student of the Year recipients receive a Big W Gift Card, which has been kindly donated by
Kevin & Julie Savill from the Mypolonga General Store

Upper Primary Black

Scarlett

Upper Primary Gold

Shayla & Hannah

Middle Primary Black

Abby & Isabel

Middle Primary Gold

Evie & Noah

Junior Primary Black

Peyton & Brooklyn

Junior Primary Gold

Billy



Most Improved Student for 2023

Upper Primary Black

Zara

Upper Primary Gold

(No most improved student for the year as two students of the year awarded)

Middle Primary Black

(No most improved student for the year as two students of the year awarded)

Middle Primary Gold

(No most improved student for the year as two students of the year awarded)

Junior Primary Black

Oliver McP

Junior Primary Gold

Lyla





2023 Academic Excellence Award

Our Upper Primary Academic Excellence Award has been kindly donated by
Di Coventry and Ken Coventry OAM

Luke P

Student of the Term - Term 4 2023

Our Students of the Term receive a Big W Gift Card.

Upper Primary Black

Trik

Upper Primary Gold

Ruby

Middle Primary Black

Taylor

Middle Primary Gold

Makenna

Junior Primary Black

Korah

Junior Primary Gold

Hannah

Most Improved Student - Term 4 2023

Upper Primary Black

Dempsey

Upper Primary Gold

Zara

Middle Primary Black

Zoe

Middle Primary Gold

Ruby

Junior Primary Black

Brydie

Junior Primary Gold

Claire



Mila

Favourite memory from your time at primary school...

The people who made me, me! I will never forget the staff and friends I made along the way.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To get on my feet, I will work at Maccas (as an example), then when I have enough money I would like to sell my art while making or remaking songs.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Becoming a good leader and all the things I achieved; playing the flute, being in Choir, White Ribbon Ambassador, becoming House Captain.

Shakai

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To be a teacher or work in fashion.

Favourite memory from your time at Mypolonga Primary School...

Working in the School Shop, Mr Rance, and Maths lessons.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Be kind, respectful and share.

Dempsey

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Receiving a SRC award.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To hopefully play netball professionally.

Biggest lesson learnt whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

It doesn't matter what other people think, just be yourself.

Trik

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Being a Young Environment Leader.

Favourite memory or something you will never forget...

Coming to Mypolonga Primary School for the first time and making new friends.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Make sure you learn a lot of Maths at school because you will need it!

Scarlette

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Receiving a Distinction in the ICAS English Assessment.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To graduate from University with a degree in Journalism and the Arts. I'd like to have a career path involving writing and poetry.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Respect your peers and include yourself in big group activities.

Carla

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Improving in Maths and Spelling.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

Learning every flute note off by heart and the same with guitar.

Advice to our Reception students...

Try your hardest in every subject.



Farewell Thoughts

We would like to thank Sunny and the wonderful staff and students at Mypo Primary for being a place of welcome, care and fun for Dempsey. Despite her short time here, we have been privileged to experience the special community it is.

Joel & Erin Eckermann

Class of 2023

**FAREWELL TO OUR
YEAR 6S**

We will miss you!



Bailey

Favourite memory from your time at primary school...

Playing cricket with my friends at recess and lunchtime and getting them out.

Advice to our Reception students...

Be really nice and don't stop chasing your dreams.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Being elected as House Captain for Hindmarsh.

Noah

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

I would like to be in the Country Fire Service and do digging with Dad.

Favourite memory from your time at Mypolonga Primary School...

Playing cricket.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Getting into SAPSASA footy and cricket.

Lainie

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Receiving my Quality Assurance Badge in the School Shop.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To play some kind of sport.

Favourite memory from your time at Mypolonga Primary School...

Participating in SAPSASA with my friends.

Scarlett

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Getting into SAPSASA netball, football and basketball and being SRC Leader with Lainie.

Favourite memory or something you will never forget...

Being House Captain and being in Mrs Hein's class for three straight years.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

Further my netball skills and play at the highest level possible.

Luke P.

Biggest lesson learnt whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

To be empathetic.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To work in construction and earn enough money to travel to cool places.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Be more confident.

Zara

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Making a life-long bestie and sharing in the best and funniest moments.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To be an author or singer.

Biggest lesson learnt whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

Remembering 'Be you'.. and focussing on my musical talent.

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Seth

Favourite memory from your time at primary school...

The money train Maths game with Mrs Stone.

Hopes, dreams and aspirations for the future...

To ride 250cc motorbikes in competition in the USA.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

I was proud to get my pen licence.

Gibson

Advice to our Reception students...

Stay in school and listen to your teachers.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Be focused at school to help improve my learning.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Being elected House Captain and SRC Leader.



Hendrix

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Improving in Maths. I also got better at my Spelling and narratives.

Biggest lesson learnt whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

Learning Maths.. because I didn't know much but now I'm almost top of the class.

Favourite memory from your time at Mypolonga Primary School...

Meeting all the teachers and laughing with my friends.



Joel

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Getting recognised with an award.

Favourite memory or something you will never forget...

AFL Max excursion, especially the trampolines and running really fast.

The inflatable challenge was also a favourite.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

I'd love to do cooking of some sort.



Luke S.

Biggest achievement whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

My selection in SAPSASA footy and cricket and being captain in both.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To play professional cricket or footy.

Favourite memory or something you will never forget about primary school...

Having Mrs Stone as a teacher and the fun time we cleaned our desks.



Isabelle

Favourite memory or something you will never forget about primary school...

When Hannah and I were play fighting over a broom and I fell through the back door at El Shadai camp.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

I would like to study to be a Space Scientist because the galaxy inspires me.

Advice you would give to your 5 year old self...

Never give up. Always try your hardest no matter the cost, you won't regret it.



Farewell Thoughts

We would just like to say thankyou to all the staff at Mypolonga. We have had a great time being part of this small community. It's been awesome to watch the kids learn and grow. We are very sad to be leaving and will miss all the friendly familiar faces. It really is a special school with loads of warmth and love. Thankyou for all your help and support over the years.

Zoe Colwell and Matt Ryles
Drazic, Seth and Vann

Class of 2023

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Lucinda

Favourite memory from your time at primary school...

Being selected in SAPSASA with my friends.

Hopes, dreams and aspirations for the future...

To work with animals or do something sporty.

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Receiving a Kiwanis Terrific Kid award.



Samuel

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Being awarded Student of the Year in 2021.

Hopes, dreams and aspirations for the future...

I want to be good at woodwork.

Favourite memory from your time at primary school...

Being in Mrs Stone's class and all the fun things we did.



Winchester

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Being elected House Captain for Finnis.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

I would like to be a builder.

Favourite memory from your time at Mypolonga Primary School...

Joel singing in class.



Jackson

Biggest achievement whilst at primary school...

Meeting Seth and being friends into High School.

Favourite memory or something you will never forget...

Mrs Stone teaching me.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To go fishing in the ocean and catch a flathead.



Jesse

Favourite memory or something you will never forget about primary school...

Making friends.

Hopes, dreams or aspirations for the future...

To be better at Maths.

Biggest achievement whilst at Mypolonga Primary School...

Receiving a Distinction in the ICAS Maths Assessment.

Farewell Thoughts

A great little community school with both our girls enjoying their time here.
Thankyou Mypolonga Primary!

Sheree & Ash Temby

Class of 2023

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'Be the change you wish to see in the world.'

~ Gandhi ~

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ CONGRATULATIONS!! ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Kiwanis Club of Murray Bridge - Terrific Kids for Term 4 2023

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students on receiving a Kiwanis Club of Murray Bridge 'Terrific Kids' award for Term 4 2023. These awards are presented to students in Terms 2 and 4 who live our TIGER values.



Junior Primary Gold
Della



Junior Primary Black
Savana

Middle Primary Gold
Alex



Middle Primary Black
Brock

Upper Primary Gold
Taite



INTER CHURCH COUNCIL SCHOOLS MINISTRY TASK AWARDS

At our recent Graduation, two year 6 students received awards recognising both potential within the creative arts (Rosemary Wells Creative Arts Prize) and leadership (Marj Byerlee award). These awards, and the vouchers with them, were presented by our Pastoral Care Worker Brock on behalf of the Inter Church Council Schools Ministry Task Group, whom we would like to thank for their ongoing support. **Congratulations to Mila** on receiving the Rosemary Wells Creative Arts Prize. This prize is awarded to a student that shows great passion and potential creatively, which could be within but not limited to; visual arts, music, drama, floral art or other creative endeavours.

Congratulations to Samuel on receiving the Marj Byerlee Encouragement Award. This prize is awarded to a student that has been recognised as an individual who has a positive attitude, is in service to others, demonstrates perseverance, is a positive role model, outwards honesty and displays integrity.

Class Awards - Term 4 Week 8

Junior Primary Gold

Jackson - putting lots of effort into his work and being on task.

Paddy - taking on challenges with a positive attitude.

Junior Primary Black

Tully - showing great TIGER values on transition day.

Savana - being a consistent learner and being a true TIGER.

Middle Primary Gold

April - showing enthusiastic learning during sentence writing.

Amitiel - sharing her knowledge and ideas during class discussions.

Middle Primary Black

Taylor - always being focussed with his learning and putting in the effort to refine tasks.

Charlie - showing eagerness and positivity in all learning areas.

Upper Primary Gold

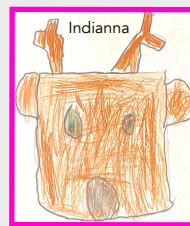
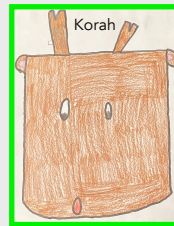
Oliver - always has an interesting perspective to offer.

Jeremy - always ready to help out in any way.

Upper Primary Black

Carla - showing gratitude and excellence in our classroom.

Lainie - consistently demonstrating TIGER values in the classroom.



Planner - Term 1 2024

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

Week 1	29/1 . Welcome back!	30/1 .	31/1	1/2	2/2	3/2 & 4/2
Week 2	5/2 . Swimming lessons (whole school) . Newsletter	6/2 . Swimming lessons (whole school)	7/2 . Swimming lessons (whole school)	8/2 . Swimming lessons (whole school)	9/2 . Swimming lessons (whole school)	10/2 & 11/2

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