

# MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School &amp; Community Newsletter

**"The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be ignited."**

~ Plutarch was a biographer and author whose works strongly influenced the evolution of the essay, the biography, and historical writing in Europe from the 16th to the 19th century. ~

Term 1, Week 2 5th February 2024

## Happy birthday!

7/2 - Xavier (Reception)  
8/2 - Scarlett (Year 5)  
12/2 - Oakley (Year 1)  
12/2 - Emily (Year 2)  
12/2 - Charlotte (Year 3)  
12/2 - Tabi (Year 4)  
16/2 - Josiah (Year 1)

## Term 1 'Save the Dates'

### Governing Council AGM -

Monday 19th February 2024

**Student Free Day** - Monday 18th March 2024

**School Photos** - Wednesday 20th March 2024

**Sport's Day** - Wednesday 27th March 2024

### Parent/Teacher Interviews -

Tuesday 2nd April 2024 to

Thursday 4th April 2024

\* further details will be provided in due course \*

## Lost Property

We are already starting to receive **unnamed** drink bottles, plastic containers jumpers and jackets into our lost property box. **Please label all items brought to school.** Necia has a permanent black texta in the office if you would like to use it. Thank you!

## Student Medications

A reminder that **ALL** medication (including liquids, tablets and lotions), which is stored in our first aid room, needs to have a completed and signed Medication Agreement attached to it (Department policy). This form can be obtained from the office or from the website [www.education.sa.gov.au](http://www.education.sa.gov.au) (search 'medication').

## We Roar as One!

Welcome to the new school year at Mypolonga Primary School! A particularly special welcome must go to all our new students and families. We look forward to you joining us in the great learning environment here at Mypolonga, following our TIGER values of Teamwork, Integrity, Generosity of Spirit, Excellence and Respect. Ensuring that we continue to embed these values into our practices and habits, is critical to the ongoing improvement of us all and the Mypolonga Community.

We have been excitedly watching the reinstallation of North Bokara Road and anticipate that this will be ready for use again sometime in the next few weeks. This will alleviate some of the traffic congestion at drop off and pick up time. When this happens, we wish to encourage families to:

- continue to use the school side of Williams Street to be a 'kiss and drop' area, while the General Store side (please be mindful of the 15 minute parking zone) and North Bokara Road to be areas where families can park and come into the school or wait for your children.
- encourage the continued use of the school crossing for all pedestrians.
- refrain from parking in the staff car parking area along Marten Street.

It is very important that we set strong positive role models to our children/ students for their safety, wellbeing and lifelong learning.

## Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons started today for all students. Just a reminder that you need to ensure your child has: recess, lunch, drink bottle, towel, school hat, t-shirt or rashie, plastic bag for wet clothes, extra clothing for after swimming and any medication they may require. Please remember to label ALL items! If your child has a current Asthma Care plan, medication will need to be with them during each lesson or they will not be allowed in the water.

## Mypolonga's Amazing Staff

It is great to be able to start the year with very stable staffing again. I would like to acknowledge the work that all staff have put in to being prepared for 2024 and look forward to the great learning environment that they provide, no matter their role within the school. Every individual helps to make our team stronger and fulfils their role to get best outcomes for students. I am confident that we will be able to support you and your child/ren to be their best in 2024.

## Volunteers

Thank you to all the families that have returned the volunteer expressions of interest. We really look forward to getting you back into the school and your involvement in assisting us achieve the best for your children.

## Family Fun Night

Our Family Fun Night will be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024 on the school oval, with BBQ tea supplied from 5:30pm. Please see the flyer enclosed in this newsletter.

## Governing Council AGM

Our Governing Council AGM is being held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7.00pm in the school library. It has been pleasing to have nominations for positions on the Governing Council and I look forward to seeing many of you there to share the 2023 annual report and set our plan for 2024.

## Student home internet program

The student home internet program can provide internet access to students who do not have reliable home internet, so they can continue to learn and study at home.

Find out more about the program and how parents and carers can apply by visiting the [department's website](#).



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Working together, Sunyi Vogt



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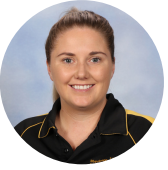
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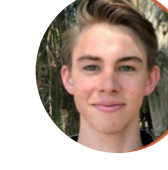
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# OUR 2024 STAFF





### School Assemblies

Our school assemblies are held fortnightly in the Library. Our first assembly for the year will be on Friday 23rd February 2024 (end of Week 4) at 2:45pm. Three students from the Upper Primary unit are rostered on to run the assembly each week. Notification of this is on the front page of our fortnightly newsletter. Assemblies involve the presentation of awards, presentation of students' work and an address from our Principal Sunny. Anyone is welcome to attend. If you don't usually attend our assemblies, or if this will be your first time, we would love you to join us when time permits. The look on our students' faces when they see their family and/or friends arrive is priceless! Experiences like these also help our students to develop confidence when speaking in front of large groups of people.

### Introducing our new students / consent for images

Due to time constraints with parental consent for images being returned to the school, we will introduce our new students in our next newsletter.

### Classroom enterprise recess/lunch

Classroom enterprise (recess and lunch provided by classes once a week) commences next week (Week 3). Please refer to the Junior Primary unit menu being emailed to families this week. A reminder that orders need to be placed on Monday and Tuesday mornings from the servery window prior to 8:55am.

### Tiny Tigers

Tiny Tigers' sessions (for babies to school age children) will commence in Week 3 (Tuesday, 13th February 2024) from 9:00am to 10:00am in the Library. If you haven't already, you may like to follow the Mypolonga Tiny Tigers Facebook page where you will receive up to date information on all things happening with our littlest Tigers.

### Facebook

If you aren't already following, our school's Facebook account is **Mypolonga Primary School R-6**. Here you will be able to follow all the great things that have been happening throughout the school. Reminders of school activities are also posted on this page.

### Enclosed with this Newsletter

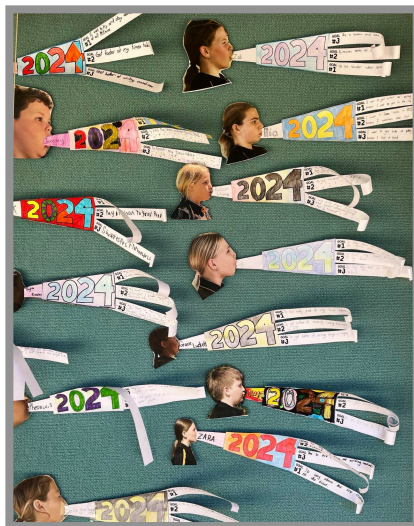
- Family Fun night note - Please return the RSVP by Tuesday 14/2/24
- 2024 SAPSASA event selection (Years 5 & 6 only)
- Sports' Day parent help request

### Upper Primary Unit

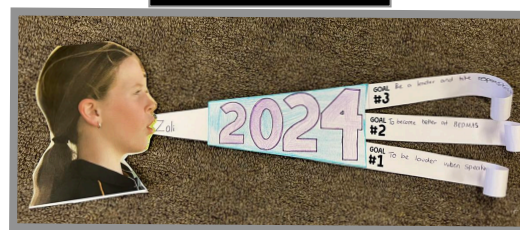
Our Upper Primary unit students have been busy this week creating goals for their new school year. They then had some fun displaying them.

Goals ranged from getting neater with their writing, to learning all their times tables to making new friends. We will check in during the term to reflect on where they are at in achieving their goals.

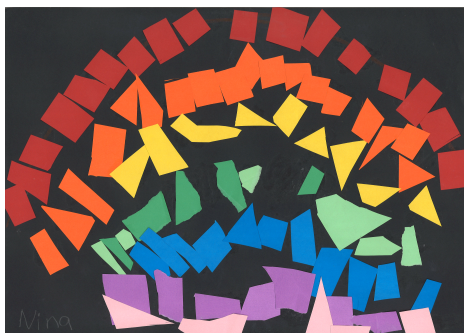
\*\*\* check out the board outside our unit to see our display.



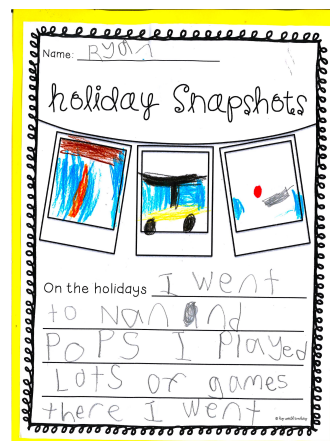
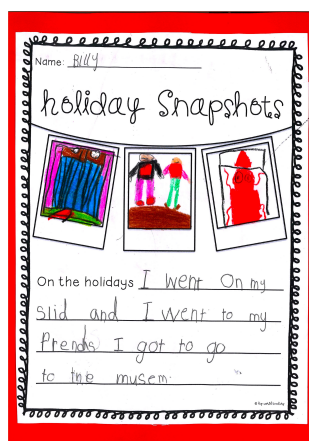
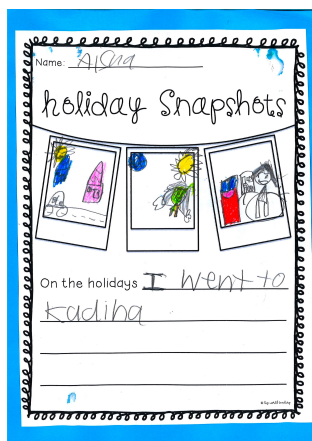
New Year Goals!



Junior Primary Gold - We are a rainbow of possibilities  
(artwork by Nina (left) and Max (right))



Junior Primary Black - Holiday Snapshots



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



HOME/RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS?



MOBILE NUMBERS?



EMAIL ADDRESSES?



EMERGENCY CONTACTS?



FAMILY INFORMATION?

**Sports' Day - Wednesday 27th March 2024**

Our school Sports' Day will be held on Wednesday 27th March 2024 (Week 9). Our new students have been allocated house teams **Finnis (gold)**, **Hindmarsh (blue)**, **Murray (red)** and have been notified of their house colour (please contact Necia if you are unsure of your child's house colour). On the day, we ask that all students wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house team, with black shorts / track pants. A note is enclosed with this newsletter as to how you can help on the day. Sports' Days are unable to be run without the valued help of our parent/community volunteers. A special Sports' Day Mypolonga General Store menu/price list will be sent home in the near future, with 'Beep Beep Barista' mobile coffee van being part of the day providing coffees and soft serve ice creams for us all to enjoy. We hope you can join us. Please let us know if you have any queries.

**Planner - Term 1 2024**

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

<b>Week 2</b>	<b>5/2</b> . Swimming lessons (whole school)	<b>6/2</b> . Swimming lessons (whole school) . Newsletter	<b>7/2</b> . Swimming lessons (whole school)	<b>8/2</b> . Swimming lessons (whole school)	<b>9/2</b> . Swimming lessons (whole school)	<b>10/2 &amp; 11/2</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>12/2</b> . Life Education Van	<b>13/2</b> . Life Education Van . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers commences	<b>14/2</b> . Life Education Van . JP unit enterprise recess	<b>15/2</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch	<b>16/2</b> . From 5:30pm Family Fun Night (held at the school)	<b>17/2 &amp; 18/2</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>19/2</b> . Newsletter . Governing Council AGM	<b>20/2</b> . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers . SANFL whole school visit	<b>21/2</b> . JP unit enterprise Recess	<b>22/2</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch	<b>23/2</b> . 2:45pm Assembly (held in the Library)	<b>24/2 &amp; 25/2</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>26/2</b>	<b>27/2</b> . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>28/2</b> . JP unit enterprise Recess	<b>29/2</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch	<b>1/3</b>	<b>2/3 &amp; 3/3</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>4/3</b> . Newsletter . SAPOL whole school visit	<b>5/3</b> . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>6/3</b> . JP unit enterprise Recess	<b>7/3</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch	<b>8/3</b> . 2:45pm Assembly (held in the Library)	<b>9/3 &amp; 10/3</b>

**Community News**

**Mypolonga Football Club** Registrations are now open for season 2024!

To register for Junior grades (Under 9s up) and Senior (Reserves and League) grades, please click on the following link: <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/34fb83>. Payment is required at the time of registration. This is a MFC and SANFL requirement for you/your child to be able to play for Mypolonga Football Club this season.

**DON'T FORGET!** \$100.00 Sports' Vouchers are available to use for all primary school students (up to Year 9). You will find details of this at the time of registering. Further information can be found here.. <https://www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au/>

If you experience any problems at the time of registering, in the first instance, please contact Play HQ Club Help Ph: 1800 7529 235 or email: clubhelp@afl.com.au. The Club looks forward to seeing you all out at Tigerland in 2024!

**Mypolonga Football / Netball Club** merchandise available to order. Please click on the following link and see what's available for Season '24. <https://5ec5f5-5.myshopify.com/>. Ordering cut off date for Round 1 is 16th February 2024 (excluding rugby jumpers.. arrival Round 3-4).

The **Murray Bridge United Football Club** (Soccer), will be holding their 2024 Junior Registration/Information/Player Nomination Night on Friday 9th February 2024 from 4.00pm-7.00pm at the Beatty Terrace Clubrooms, Murray Bridge. All Enquiries and/or player nominations to Grant please; klenkegc@internode.on.net or phone 0411057039.

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