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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Take a rest. A field that has rested yields a beautiful crop."

~ Publius Ovidius Naso (20 March 43 BC – AD 17/18), known in English as Ovid, was a Roman poet who lived during the reign of Augustus.~

Term 4, Week 6 18th November 2024

Term 4 Assembly Roster

Week 6 - Brock, Tabitha, Bella
Week 8 - Zoe, Vann, Tayla
Week 9 - Owen, Alexis, Hannah

Happy birthday!

Jackson - 19/11 (Year 1)
Van - 20/11 (Year 3)
Hollie - 23/11 (Year 4)
Peyton - 23/11 (Year 2)
Pheonix - 29/11 (Year 6)

Save the Dates! (further details to come)

School transition day (2025 Term 1 Reception students only) - Tuesday 26th November 2024 from 9:00am until 2:00pm

School transition day (Year 6 transition at MBHS & Reception to Year 5 students to next year's classes) - Tuesday 3rd December 2024

School concert - Wednesday 4th December 2024 held at the school (more info to follow soon!)

Fun Day @ the Murray Bridge Pool - Monday 9th December 2024

Year 6 Graduation Dinner held at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club - Wednesday 11th December 2024

End of Year Assembly (held outside at the school - weather permitting)
. 2:30pm Thursday 12th December 2024
. Dismissal @ 3:25pm

Last day of the school year - Friday 13th December 2024

. Early dismissal @ 2:25pm
. Newsletter sent home

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Our final classroom enterprise recess (ice creams) & lunch (toasted sandwiches) will be held in Week 8.

However, we kindly ask that payment for Week 8's orders be made in Week 7.

This will allow us to finalise our finances before the end of the school year.
Thanks!



We Roar as One!

Term 4 is really zooming past! With so many great whole school and community events ahead of us to wind up what has been a busy 2024, the remaining four weeks of school will move by very quickly!

Student Free Day

Last Friday, staff had a productive day, reflecting on our progress over the past 12 months and developing and refining our Site Improvement Plan, which will continue to drive the best learning and wellbeing outcomes for students at Mypolonga Primary School for 2025.

Along with this, we had Mandy Betts our Inclusive Education Officer, walk us through best practice in making adjustments in the classroom for students with different learning needs. Helping all staff understand how making these adjustments within the classroom can help all learners, as well as better cater for those with learning differences.

UP Unit Camp

A fortnight ago, our Upper Primary unit were fortunate to go on a school camp to AFL Max for their breakthrough program, focusing on mental health and wellbeing. This camp was fully funded through Variety - The Children's Charity of South Australia. This was an amazing opportunity for this group of students and was thoroughly enjoyed by both students and staff.

Instrumental Music

Last Wednesday, our Instrumental Music students travelled into Murray Bridge North School to participate in the Beginner Band Ensemble Workshop. It was a great day with students participating with students from schools across the partnership, learning to play together in a large ensemble. The skills developed through this process are invaluable for music, in developing rhythm, and performance skills. Well done to all the students who participated.



Student Work Experience

This week, we welcome Tahlia Ross, a past student at Mypolonga Primary School to complete work experience within the school. It is always pleasing to see the next generation showing interest in working with children and contemplating teaching as a career path.

Enrolment Projections for 2025

If you, or a family you know are considering changing your enrolment with our school, or even if you know of others moving into the Mypolonga area, that may change our enrolment, please contact the school to inform us of any changes as soon as possible.

Class Structures for 2025

In 2025, Mypolonga Primary school will continue to run at maximum capacity. As such, our class structures will need to change to accommodate our student numbers. We hope to have notes out sometime this week in regard to which class students will be in. Below are our class structures for 2025.

Reception - mid-year intake

Reception

Year 1

Year 2/3

Year 3/4

Year 4/5

Year 5/6

Working together, Sunyl Vogt



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Department for Education

Students of the Week - Week 3, Term 4

Lower Junior Primary (LJP)

Maggie - showing her personality and sense of humour across all learning areas. ★

Junior Primary Gold (JPG)

Sadie - participating well during whole class learning.

Lylah - being a focused and engaged learner.

Junior Primary Black (JPB)

Jackson - working really hard and staying focused during learning tasks.

Middle Primary Gold (MPG)

Legion - showing lots of enthusiasm for learning this week. ★

Lola - having a positive attitude for all her learning.

Middle Primary Black (MPB)

Amitiel - having a positive attitude towards her learning and helping others.

Makenna - trying her best and using feedback to improve.

Upper Primary Gold (UPG)

Will - keen participant who loves learning.

Imogen - positive attitude and supportive peer. ★

Upper Primary Black (UPB)

Taite - working hard across all learning areas.

Tayla - showing gratitude and generously supporting students around her.

Students of the Week - Week 4, Term 4

Lower Junior Primary (LJP)

Willow - being a kind and helpful Tiger in the classroom.

Junior Primary Gold (JPG)

Bryce - attempting all learning tasks. ★

Junior Primary Black (JPB)

Billy - engaging in extra learning at home with information reports.

Mason - showing great improvement in decodable readers.

Middle Primary Gold (MPG)

Oliver - making great choices all week and staying on task.

Harper - for a big improvement in her spelling!

Middle Primary Black (MPB)

April - trying hard to reach her learning goals.

Bohdi - supporting his peers in the classroom. ★

Upper Primary Gold (UPG)

Leila - an organised, independent and grateful camper.

Oliver - showing independence and enthusiasm on camp.

Upper Primary Black (UPB)

Hamish - showing leadership and gratitude on camp.

Harry - showing improvement in maturity and respect.

Middle Primary Gold - Wonders of the Solar System

In the Middle Primary Gold class, students have been exploring the wonders of the solar system. They learned about the planets and how each one orbits the sun, while discovering fascinating facts along the way. Each student chose their favourite planet to paint, capturing unique details like Saturn's rings or Mars' red colour. They also wrote their own information reports to share what makes their chosen planet special. This fun, hands-on project encouraged creativity, curiosity, and a love for space exploration! Pictured below from left; Brooklyn, Xander, Savanna and Piper.



Did you know?

- . Jupiter is the largest and oldest planet in our Solar System. If it were a hollow shell, 1,000 Earths could fit inside.
 - . Saturn has 53 known moons with an additional 29 moons awaiting confirmation of their discovery - that is a total of 82 moons!
 - . Uranus is an ice giant. Most of its mass is a hot, dense fluid of "icy" materials - water, methane and ammonia above a small rocky core.
 - . Pluto's surface is far too cold, -378 to -396 degrees F (-228 to -238 C), to sustain life as we know it.
 - . Neptune is so far from the Sun that high noon on the big blue planet would seem like dim twilight to us.
- Source: science.nasa.gov

Remembrance Day - 11th November

Remembrance Day is an important day on our commemorative calendar. It's a day when we acknowledge those who died or suffered while serving in wars, conflicts and peace operations. This is also the anniversary of the Armistice of 1918 that ended fighting in World War I. At school this year, Remembrance Day was commemorated by our students with a ceremony led by our Student Representative Council. Colourful artwork was also created which included red poppies, being the commemorative flower of remembrance. Pictured below from left; Zali, Taylor; Ollie, Hunter, Oliver, Will, Charlie, Tully, Della and Indianna.



Upper Primary Unit - AFL Max Camp

Our Upper Primary Unit students recently spent the day at an AFL MAX wellbeing sleepover camp in Adelaide, engaging in emotional awareness and resilience activities, fitness challenges, and ending with a movie night featuring Inside Out 2 and popcorn, an experience they're all grateful for.



Middle Primary Black - Recipe Book Launch

At the end of Week 4, the Middle Primary Black class launched their new recipe book, 'Christmas Favourites!' Students took around tastings to promote the recipe book and we sold 23 copies to our Proud Mary visitors! Thank you to everyone who made creating and launching the book a success, and to those families who cooked for the launch. The kids have worked hard and are proud of their efforts. Please contact Necia in the office if you would like to purchase a Christmas Favourites recipe book or other recipe books in our collection which include, Pot Luck, Biscuits and Slices, Nothin' but Muffins, Lunchbox Ideas - Healthy Snacks, Let's Party - Kids' Food Ideas, Get Your... Just Desserts, Winter Warmers, BBQ Salads & Starters, Food from Around the World, Chocolate Lovers, Collection of Cookies, Oldies but Goodies (in celebration of our 100th birthday). Books sell for \$5.00 each. If you have time, you can also call in at 10:00am on Fridays to see the School Shop in action!

Van – 'I enjoyed selling the books and working out the money. We were able to sell lots of books and I got to take around the lemon lime truffles!'

Eva – 'Something I found interesting was that we sold more recipe books than I thought we would. Our whole class was involved and I enjoyed taking around tastings for the visitors. We had lots of food leftover that we got to eat!'

Makenna – 'It was super fun setting up and all the customers were really nice.'



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to our students who have earned 'Hall of Fame' status in the Premier's Reading Challenge by completing 7 years of participation - a huge effort! They recently received a medal and a much-loved lolly bag.



Plastic containers!

Thanks again to everyone who donated items for our recent disco tea. We have a number of unnamed plastic containers in our staff room. If you think something may belong to you, please contact Necia in the first instance and we will arrange to have it sent home. Thanks!

Upper Primary - Beginner Band Ensemble Workshop

On Wednesday, November 13th, fourteen of our Year 5 and 6 Musical Instrumental students participated in an Ensemble Workshop at Murray Bridge North School. They played a range of instruments, from flute and clarinet to trumpet, trombone, and saxophone. This exciting opportunity allowed them to experience the thrill of playing in a large ensemble, enhancing their teamwork and musical skills. The workshop culminated in a live performance, where the students showcased their efforts to an audience of North School students, parents, and community members. A big thank you to Murray Bridge High School and Murray Bridge North School for offering such a memorable and inspiring experience!



Planner - Term 4 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

Week 6	18/11 . Newsletter	19/11 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers	20/11 JP unit enterprise recess (ice cream in cone)	21/11 JP unit enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches)	22/11 . 2:45pm Assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	23/11 & 24/11
Week 7 Final week to pay for Week 7 and Week 8 enterprise recess & lunch	25/11	26/11 . 9:00am - 10:00am Tiny Tigers (final) . 9:00am-2:00pm School Transition for T1 2025 Reception students . 6:00pm / 7:00pm MFC junior & senior AGMs ~ teas available	27/11 . JP unit enterprise recess (ice cream in cone) . Hearing assessments	28/11 . JP unit enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches) . LJP sleepover	29/11 . 5:30pm MCSC bar open . Hearing assessments	30/11 & 1/12
Week 8	2/12 . Newsletter	3/12 . School transition day (Reception to Year 5 students in next year's classes / Year 6 transition at MBHS)	4/12 JP unit enterprise recess (ice cream in cone) ★ School Concert held @ the school	5/12 JP unit enterprise lunch (toasted sandwiches)	6/12 . 2:45pm Assembly . Final shop visit . MCSC Friday night monthly tea (dine in or take away)	7/12 & 8/12 7/12 - Mannum Christmas Pageant
Week 9	9/12 . 9:30am-1:30pm SRC Fun Day at the Murray Bridge swimming pool (whole school)	10/12	11/12 . Year 6 Graduation at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club	12/2 . Secret Santa gift giving (whole school) . 2:30pm End of Year Assembly (held at the school) . 3:25pm dismissal	13/12 . Last day of the school year . 2:25pm dismissal . Newsletter	14/12 & 15/12 . Mypo RSL Christmas Party

Community News

Mypolonga RSL - Christmas Party - Saturday 14th December 2024 at the Mypolonga RSL. BBQ and salad tea. Father Christmas visiting. All welcome!

Mypolonga Cricket Club - Christmas Tea - Saturday 21st December 2024 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club. Everyone is welcome to attend and Father Christmas will make an appearance!

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