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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

~ Malcolm X was an African American revolutionary, Muslim minister and human rights activist who was a prominent figure during the civil rights movement ~

Term 1, Week 2 4th February 2025

Assembly Presenters Term 1

Week 4 - Ruby (Year 4), Oliver (Year 5),
Jeremy (Year 6)

Happy Birthday!

30/1 - Levi (Year 2)
7/2 - Xavier (Year 1)
7/2 - Sophia (Reception)
12/2 - Oakley (Year 2)
12/2 - Emily (Year 3)
12/2 - Charlotte (Year 4)
12/2 - Tabitha (Year 5)
16/2 - Josiah (Year 2)
17/2 - Phoenix (Year 3)

Term 1 'Save the Dates'

Family Fun Night - Friday 21st February 2025 (refer to enclosed flyer)

Governing Council AGM - 7:00pm
Monday 17th February 2025

Student Free Day - Monday 3rd March 2025

School Photos - Wednesday 19th March 2025

Sport's Day - Tuesday 8th April 2025

* further details will be provided in due course *

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 (search 'medication').

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.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

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.

Importance of nightly / weekly reading

The benefits of early assistance from home in verbal conversations and children being read to or reading aloud to you, cannot be understated. By the end of Year 1, it can mean a huge difference in word exposure and knowledge. Help support your child/ren with the advantage of reading with them regularly at home.

The gap in word knowledge between linguistically advantaged and disadvantaged children

(Moats, 2001)

Year 1 linguistically advantaged know

20,000 words

Year 1 linguistically disadvantaged know

5,000 words

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons started yesterday for Reception to Year 2 students. Just a reminder that you need to ensure your child has: recess, lunch, drink bottle, towel, school hat, t-shirt/rashie, plastic bag for wet clothes, extra clothing for after swimming and any medication they may require. Please remember to label ALL items! Hopefully we can get through the remainder of the week without having to make further adaptations to the swimming timetable due to heat. Please keep an eye on your emails or our Facebook page for further information.

Mypolonga's Amazing Staff

It is great to be able to start the year with very stable staffing again, with the fantastic addition of Alice Hillam, who will assist us to better cater for our students with disabilities. I would like to acknowledge the work that all staff have put in to being prepared for 2025 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 2025.

Volunteers

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

Family Fun Night

Our annual Family Fun Night will be held on Friday 21st February 2025 on the school oval, with BBQ tea supplied from 5:30pm. Please see the flyer in the newsletter.

Governing Council AGM

Our Governing Council AGM will be held on Monday 17th February 2025 at 7.00pm in the school library. I look forward to seeing many of you there to share the 2024 annual report and set our plan for 2025.

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 [free home internet access for students](#).

Working Together, Sunyl Vogt



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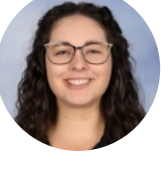
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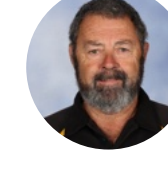
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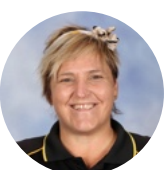
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OUR 2025 STAFF

School Assemblies

Our school assemblies are held fortnightly in the Library. Our first assembly for the year will be on Friday 21st February 2025 (end of Week 4) at 2:45pm. Three students (from Year 4, 5, 6) are rostered on to run the assembly each fortnight. 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.

Tiny Tigers

Tiny Tigers' sessions (for babies to school age children) will commence in Week 3 (Tuesday, 11th February 2025) from 9:00am to 10:00am in the Library. Our Tiny Tigers Co-ordinator is Jess Cornish. 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 19/2/25. Thanks!

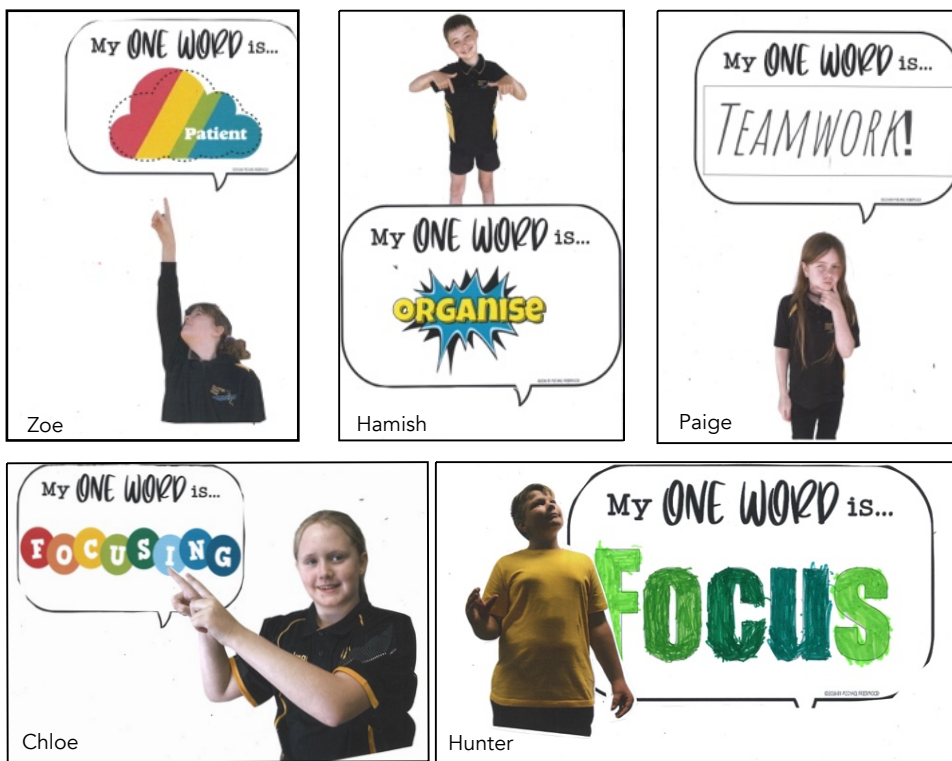
Traffic Monitoring Training

Last week, we welcomed back Policeman Dave to our Upper Primary Unit for our annual traffic monitor training. Our teachers also had their yearly briefing for when they are on yard duty at the traffic crossing. Thanks Policeman Dave! We always appreciate your visit! Please click on the link below to view Policeman Dave's message on Being Safe at School Crossings. <https://youtu.be/gAqLvlbP4k?si=PnCpBjdp6V6uPfDb>



Upper Primary Unit - One Word Goal

Our Upper Primary students have chosen a one word goal to work on for the year. They will be reminded to revisit this regularly in order to move forward with this goal. Look out for all other students' one word on the display board outside the Upper Primary unit.



CLASSROOM RECESS/LUNCH ENTERPRISE

Beginning in Week 3, provided by the Junior Primary Unit → Students are asked to order and pay for their food at the kitchen servery window on Monday and Tuesday mornings before 8:55am. A copy of this menu is being attached to our newsletter email link. Please encourage your child/ren to order for themselves. Thanks!



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

- HOME/RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS?
- MOBILE NUMBERS?
- EMAIL ADDRESSES?
- EMERGENCY CONTACTS?
- FAMILY INFORMATION?

Planner - Term 1 2025

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 2	3/2 . Swimming lessons . Newsletter	4/2 . Swimming lessons . MFC U18s training commences	5/2 . Swimming lessons	6/2 . Swimming lessons	7/2 . Swimming lessons . MCSC monthly Friday night tea	8/2 & 9/2
Week 3	10/2	11/2 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers commences	12/2 JP unit enterprise recess (cinnamon doughnuts)	13/2 . JP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs) . 3:30pm Mypo Cricket Club Pop-Up Blast 4 week session commences at the school	14/2 . From 6:00pm MFC Outdoor Cinema Night @ the MCSC	15/2 & 16/2
Week 4	17/2 . Newsletter . 7:00pm Governing Council AGM	18/2 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	19/2 JP unit enterprise recess (cinnamon doughnuts)	20/2 JP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	21/2 . 2:45pm Assembly . From 5:30pm Family Fun Night . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	22/2 & 23/2
Week 5	24/2 . NAPLAN Practice Test	25/2 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	26/2 JP unit enterprise recess (cinnamon doughnuts)	27/2 JP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	28/2 . 5:30pm MCSC bar open, light tea options available	1/3 & 2/3
Week 6	3/3 Student Free Day	4/3 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers . Life Education van visiting . Newsletter . MFC U15.5s training commences	5/3 . Life Education van visiting JP unit enterprise recess (cinnamon doughnuts)	6/3 . Life Education van visiting JP unit enterprise lunch (hot dogs)	7/3 . 2:45pm Assembly . MCSC monthly Friday night tea	8/3 & 9/3

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club - Registrations are now open for season 2025

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/482104>. Auskick has a separate registration process, which will be advised soon! Payment is required at the time of registration. This year, the State Government is making available x2 \$100.00 Sports' Vouchers 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:- <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. Looking forward to seeing you all out at Tigerland!

Mypolonga Football Club - Outdoor Cinema Night - Friday 14th February 2025

Join us for a fun-filled evening under the stars at the Club's inaugural Outdoor Cinema Night. Kick off the night from 6:00pm with a BBQ tea and drinks, available inside and outside the Clubrooms. Then, settle in for a night of family-friendly entertainment on the big screen (with popcorn)! There will be movies for the little ones, older children and adults. This is a fantastic opportunity to come together as a community, relax, and enjoy a movie night like no other. Bring your family, your friends and your deck chairs/bean bags. It is Valentine's Day after all! A gold coin donation for movie viewing would be appreciated. Please indicate if you can make it by responding to the Club's Facebook Event. Thanks!

Be Bushfire Ready!.. A timely message from our wonderful CFS personnel

We have seen some hot days over the summer months just recently, which makes conditions quite dry and ready to burn. Scan the QR code (pictured right) to learn more about preparing your property and how fire behaves in this short video. If you would like to know more, please contact Yvette Rathjen cfs.r3communityengagement@eso.sa.gov.au or visit the CFS website: www.cfs.sa.gov.au

Murray Bridge United Football Club (Soccer)

Playing season is expected to start on Saturday 5th April 2025. All enquiries and/or player nominations to Kate please; registrar.mbufc@mail.tidyhq.com or phone 0422 248 350.



Are you bushfire ready!
Scan the QR code to learn about fire behaviour & what you can do to get ready!

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