

# MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School &amp; Community Newsletter

**"I wouldn't be a songwriter if it wasn't for books that I loved as a kid, and I think that when you can escape into a book, it trains your imagination to think big and to think that more can exist than what you see."**

*~ Taylor Swift is the highest-grossing live music artist, the wealthiest female musician, and one of the best-selling music artists of all time. ~ Source: Wikipedia*

**Term 3, Week 6 25th August 2025**

## Assembly Presenters Term 3

Week 6 - Hunter N (Year 5), Imogen (Year 5), Hamish S (Year 6)  
Week 8 - Eva (Year 4), Taylor (Year 5), Neeve (Year 6)

## Happy Birthday!

28/8 - Ruby (Reception)  
3/9 - Torrens (Year 1)  
4/9 - Oliver C (Year 5)

## Calendar Updates / Reminders

### 2025 Student Free Days:

Term 3 - Thursday 4th September 2025  
Term 3 - Friday 5th September 2025 (school closure)  
Term 4 - Friday 14th November 2025

## SSO Appreciation Week

Last week, over a surprise morning tea, our wonderful teachers and students recognised and thanked our SSOs and GSEs for the amazing contribution they make to our school every day.



## Literacy Cup Results (end of Week 5 and progressive total)

**Red (Murray) 63 / 2225 points**  
**Blue (Hindmarsh) 72 / 2174 points**  
**Gold (Finnis) 78 / 2100 points**



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## We Roar as One

Wow! What a busy last fortnight we have had! So much great learning and participation from our students, families and community. We look forward to that continuing as we head into the second half of Term 3!

## SSO Appreciation Week

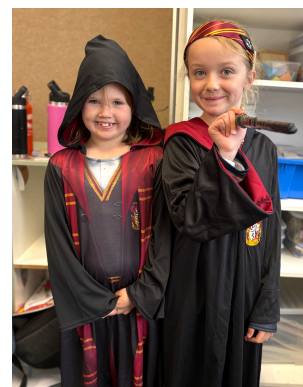
Last Tuesday, we celebrated the amazing work our support staff do within our school. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated, passionate and skilled SSOs and GSEs at Mypolonga Primary School that cover many jobs both noticed and unnoticed. From mowing lawns to covering library books, fixing IT, making shop sales, assisting with maths and reading, to applying a Band-Aid, these and many, many more jobs are completed by our friendly and caring staff. Thank you to Annie, Cass, David, Dee, Donna, Janice, Morgan, Necia, Pam, Ryan, Sharon and Tayla!

## Welcome new staff

You may have noticed in the photo of our SSOs, that there were some new faces in the picture. Pam Fleming joined us a few weeks ago, and we have now added Ryan McKinnirey to our staff as Grounds Person. He is working alongside David for the remainder of the term, as part of the transition to him taking over in term 4. This week, we also welcome Kate DeRavin to the staff for the next five weeks as Cass Martin takes some leave. Welcome to Pam, Ryan and Kate!

## Book Week Parade

Last Friday, we had a magic day celebrating 'Book an Adventure!' The imagination, transportation to another place, space and time and learning we can gain from reading is a true gift! It was amazing to see almost every child participate in dressing up for the day. There were some incredible costumes! Thanks to all of you as parents/carers for the dedication you showed to the cause and for joining us for our outdoor Book Week parade.



## School Closure and Student Free Day

A reminder that next Thursday 4th September is our Term 3 Student Free Day where staff will be at Tailem Bend Primary School working with other schools from our partnership to focus on how we can improve our students learning in Maths.

Next Friday, 5th September is our School Closure for the Royal Adelaide Show. No students are expected to be at school on either of these days.



We hope you enjoy some extra time with your children with the long weekend created by these two days.

*Working Together,  
Sunyl Vogt*





## Students of the Week - Week 4, Term 3

**Junior Primary Gold (JPG)**

**Lucy** - having a go at independent spelling in her journal writing.

**Harland** - showing persistence during Phonics lessons.

**Middle Primary Gold (MPG)**

**Piper** - always ready to lend a hand and support classmates with kindness.

**Phoenix** - always trying her best, even when challenged.

**Middle Primary Black (MPB)**

**Ellie** - always showing curiosity and engagement during class discussions.

**Korah** - excellent effort and focus during genre writing.

**Upper Primary Gold (UPG)**

**Ollie** - a shining star on our Parliament excursion.

**Charlotte C** - a quiet achiever who works hard to improve.

**Upper Primary Black (UPB)**

**Olivia** - effort and excellence in her response writing.

**Felix** - working with dedication to improve in reading and writing.

**School Shop - Father's Day Purchases**

On Wednesday, 3rd September 2025 students will be given the opportunity to purchase a small gift from the School Shop for their Dad / special person in their life. We suggest no more than \$5.00 per child.

Students can bring along their money and purchase special Upper Primary Black made gifts such as beard balm, travel games, BBQ seasoning, bookmarks and key rings.

As you may be aware, all items purchased from the School Shop contribute to our Enterprise Education program.

Thanks for your support!

Mypolonga School Shop Committee

**Masterclass - Week 1 Wrap-Up**

Week 1 of Masterclass was full of fun and creativity! We can't wait for this week's sessions as we dive into new activities and put the finishing touches on our exciting projects.



Zentangle Art with Dee Payne



Cricket with Tom Carstairs



Lego with Alice Hillam



Baking with Felicia Martin



Wool activities with Anne Martin



Tile Mosaic with Bec Hill



Basketball with Tayla Kempe



## Book Week 2025 - Book an Adventure!



### Junior Primary Black - Monarto camp

On Thursday 14th August 2025 the JP Black class went to Monarto Zoo for an overnight Zoo Snooze, and WOW!!!! What an experience everyone had!!

The students were all amazing and our TIGER Values were certainly on display - friendships, exploration, curiosity, discovery and everything else in between!

We did lots of walking and went on a bus tour through different animal habitats (thanks to our amazing bus driver Mark Pahl). Unique experiences included our night walk, laying under the stars and our camp fire with roasted marshmallows - Yummy!! Our camp was topped off by heading out into a paddock with the Bison and Mongolian Wild Horses to help clean up their habitat. Colin the Bison was a class favourite - we even came home with our very own Colin to love.

A huge thank you to all involved in making this camp so memorable. We can't wait until the next camp experience!





## Planner - Term 3 2025

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 6</b>	<b>25/8</b> . Newsletter	<b>26/8</b> . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>27/8</b> . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie) . 2:25pm-3:25pm Masterclass	<b>28/8</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll) . ICAS Maths assessments (selected students)	<b>29/8</b> . 2:45pm Assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open	<b>30/8 &amp; 31/8</b> 30/8 - RMFL & RMNA Qualifying Final @ Karoonda 31/8 - RMFL & RMNA Elimination Final @ Pinnaroo
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>1/9</b>	<b>2/9</b> . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>3/9</b> . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie) . Father's Day Shop Market	<b>4/9</b> <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>	<b>5/9</b> <b>SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY</b> . 5:30pm MCSC bar open	<b>6/9 &amp; 7/9</b> 6/9 - RMFL 2nd Semi Final / RMNA Prelim Final @ Jervois 7/9 - RMFL 1st Semi Final @ Mypo & Father's Day
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>8/9</b> . 7:00pm Finance / 7:30pm Governing Council Meetings	<b>9/9</b> . 9:00am Tiny Tigers . Newsletter	<b>10/9</b> . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	<b>11/9</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll)	<b>12/9</b> . 2:45pm Assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open	<b>13/9 &amp; 14/9</b> 13/9 - RMFL Preliminary Final / RMNA Grand Final @ Imps
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>15/9</b> . SACA visit	<b>16/9</b> . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>17/9</b> . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	<b>18/9</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll)	<b>19/9</b> . MNLC senior presentation night	<b>20/9 &amp; 21/9</b> 20/9 - RMFL Grand Final @ Tailem
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>22/9</b> . Choir excursion at Murray Bridge North School	<b>23/9</b> . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	<b>24/9</b> . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	<b>25/9</b> . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll) 2:45pm End of Term Assembly with awards presentation . MFC junior presentation night	<b>26/9</b> . Newsletter . 2:25pm Early Dismissal . MFC senior presentation night	<b>27/9 &amp; 28/9</b> 28/9 - MNLC junior presentation afternoon

### Week 4 was action-packed for our Upper Primary students!

On the Monday, we visited The Square in Murray Bridge for a parliamentary learning experience, taking part in a mock election, law-making activities, and hearing from local MP Adrian Pederick.

Special thanks to the Community Education Office and Parliament of South Australia for this hands-on learning opportunity!

Later in the week, we had a visit from Officer Andrew from SAPOL, who trained our Year 4 and 5 students as traffic monitors, finishing with a fun Q&A session.



### Community News - Save the Dates!

#### Mypolonga Football Club

Thursday 25th September 2025 Junior Presentation Night @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

Friday 26th September 2025 Senior Presentation Night @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

#### Mypolonga Netball League Club

Friday 19th September Senior Presentation Night @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

Sunday 28th September Junior Presentation Afternoon @ the Mypolonga Combined Sports' Club

Congratulations to all our Tiger football and netball teams who have made this year's finals. Wishing you the best of luck!

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