

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

"To live a creative life, we must lose our fear of being wrong."

~ Joseph Chilton Pierce (1926-2016) was an American author and advocate known for his work on human consciousness and child development. ~

Term 3, Week 8 9th September 2025

We Roar as One!

Assembly Presenters Term 3

Week 8 - Eva (Year 4), Taylor (Year 5),
Neeve (Year 6)
Week 10 - Noah (Year 4), Paige (Year 5),
Taite (Year 6)

Happy Birthday!

13/9 - Isabel (Year 5)
15/9 - Alex (Year 4)
22/9 - Della (Year 2)
23/9 - Jackson (Year 1)

Save the dates! (further details to follow)

Choir Rehearsal & Performance - Tuesday
21/10/25

School Disco - Friday 7/11/25

Student Free Day - Friday 14/11/25

Half day transition for Reception students
(beginning of year intake) - Tuesday
18/11/25

Upper Primary Unit camp - Wednesday
26/11/25 & Thursday 27/11/25

Full day transition for all students (Years 6
transition to MB High School) - Tuesday
2/12/25

Year 6 Graduation Dinner - Wednesday
10/12/25

End of Term/Year Assembly - Thursday
11/12/25

School Hats

A reminder that new school bucket hats are available to purchase from the office for \$9.50 each. There are 3 sizes; small, medium and large. Also, if your child brings home their hat from school, we kindly ask if you can check to see if it needs labelling, a wash and/or repair. It is always nice to see school hats in good condition when they are worn during a School Shop rotation or on an excursion. If we feel that your child's hat is in need of repair or replacement, we will let you know. Thanks!



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

We hope that everyone enjoyed the extra-long weekend with their children last week, which was created by staff completing training on Thursday and the day off for the Adelaide Show on Friday. It was a great lead up for many of us that attended and participated in football and netball finals over the weekend!

Testing Boundaries

From time-to-time, children will test the boundaries that we set to protect them and keep them safe. This is a normal part of growing up and checking that we care about them and their future. Below is a YouTube clip of an example of why our children do this <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m51Qf8fc4UA>. We must continue to be firm, fair and consistent with our children to let them know they are safe, and we care about their future. This doesn't mean we should protect them from every challenge that they are going to face, or stop them from making mistakes, as we know this is where powerful learning can occur if they are well supported.

Student Free Day Learning

Last Thursday, all school staff attended training at Tailem Bend Primary School to work with other schools from our partnership to focus on how we can improve our students learning across all learning areas, with a particular focus on Maths. The classroom SSOs worked through a clear scaffold that assists them in working with, and providing best outcomes for students that they work with. Admin SSOs spent time together working on the Education Management System and supporting each other's learning in this space. Teachers focused their learning on how we can build resilient, resourceful and reflective learning within the Maths curriculum.

Masterclass

It was fantastic to have Masterclass sessions run a couple of weeks ago. Children were learning so many things from so many different 'masters'. Thanks to all our parent and community volunteers who were able to take the time to teach our students the many and varied skills.

Reading at Home

Reading at home every night is one of the most critical aspects of supporting your child's education at home. It is clearly obvious in student outcomes at school with families who are supporting this to happen. In my eyes, listening to your child read aloud at home is the minimum expectation of homework required. The scientific evidence that backs this up is overwhelming. At times, we have evenings at home where things are difficult and adding homework to the mix just compounds the problem. Sometimes these evenings can be more often than not. On these evenings, if getting them to read is too hard, the best thing to do might be just to sit down and read to them. Reading aloud with our children, whether it is a favourite book, or a new one they have borrowed from the library, or even their school reader can show your children that you value reading, and could be just the opportunity needed to calm the evening for both you and your children. Reading aloud to them, using your finger to track the words and asking them questions about what you are reading, are all great reading strategies we can model to our children. I hope that this can continue to be made a priority for all our families to support the learning of your children.

Working Together,
Sunyl Vogt



Students of the Week - Week 6, Term 3



Junior Primary Gold (JPG)

Charlie - showing great persistence during dictation.

Ruby - showing excellence towards her writing and bookwork.

Junior Primary Black (JPB)

JPB students - for all being awesome on our Monarto Zoo Camp.

Middle Primary Gold (MPG)

Stella - supporting her peers and showing great team work.

Paddy - demonstrating confidence, persistence and growth in all areas of Mathematics.

Middle Primary Black (MPB)

Hunter - challenging his thinking when problem solving in Maths.

Austin - engagement and commitment in the class.



Upper Primary Gold (UPG)

Brock - always working hard and trying his best.

Leila - an excellent role model who always gives her best.

Upper Primary Black (UPB)

Hamish N. - consistently demonstrating TIGER values in the class and being a peer everyone can trust.

Isabel - working with dedication to improve her information report.

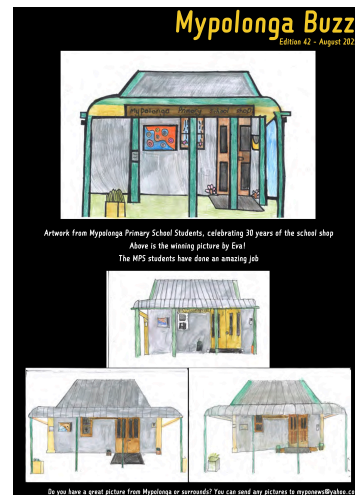
Mypolonga Buzz

Editors of the Mypolonga Buzz are looking for people willing to share their story and connection with the Mypolonga area. Information provided can be from someone living in the area currently or someone who spent time here and has since moved away.

The Mypolonga History Museum collates and keeps all of the stories received so future generations can see the history of Mypolonga.

If you have anything that you would like to contribute to any edition of the Mypolonga Buzz, or would like to subscribe to receive their monthly publication, please email myponews@yahoo.com.au or contact Pria on 0418892277. The cut off to receive information for each month is the 22nd.

The August edition proudly featured work from our Upper Primary Gold class!



Student Representative Council 'SRC' - Semester 2

Class elections were recently held and we congratulate the following students on being elected SRC representatives for Semester 2 (pictured below):

Year 6 Leaders: Taite, Alexis **Year 5:** Taylor, Hamish N.

Year 4: Liam, Charlotte A. **Year 3:** Brooklyn, Savana

Year 2: Stella **Year 1:** Winnie **Reception:** Lilly

Our SRC plays an important role in the school, running events throughout the year and helping to solve problems raised by students.

In years 5 and 6, SRC representatives are elected based on a one-to-five voting scale reflecting how well students demonstrate our TIGER values. In other classes/year levels students present a speech and classmates vote to choose their representatives.

This semester, the SRC will be busy organising several events, including Grandparents' Day, Fun Day, the School Disco and two Casual Days.

At SRC meetings, we discuss any issues raised by classes and work together to find solutions.

We also plan events and select SRC award recipients from each unit to be acknowledged at assemblies. We also present our reports to Governing Council during Week 3 and Week 8 of every term.



Middle Primary Black - Uluru Artwork

Inspired by Aboriginal artist Danny Eastwood, Middle Primary Black students created Uluru artwork. They sketched the sun radiating behind the sacred red rock and used oil pastels and paint to bring the piece to life.



Masterclass - Week 2 Wrap-Up

Week 2 brought plenty of fun and fresh ideas to our Masterclass sessions! Students wrapped up some projects while also trying out new activities, making it an action-packed afternoon. Thanks to all our volunteers who ran a Masterclass. We wouldn't be able to run this much loved annual program without you!



Netball with Mrs Carstairs



Friendship bracelets with Nerissa Luckett



Chocolate making with Mrs Perry



Giant Jenga & games with Sarah Kennedy



Mural Painting with Ash Thiele



Bush Art with Mrs Stone



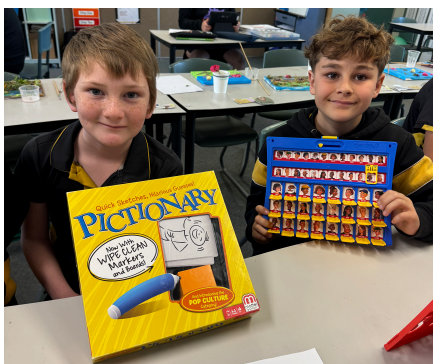
Craft/snow globe cups with Kahlia Fox



Arts & Crafts with Mrs Wagenknecht/Mrs Rowley



Jigsaw/Paper craft with Annie Hughes



Board/card games with Mrs Merritt



Silicone key rings with Harnah Polak



Camp oven with Mr Vogt



Special thanks to Harnah Polak and her Masterclass group (including Huntley & Bryce, pictured) for creating eye-catching black and gold silicone key rings, bookmarks and pens for our School Shop. These make perfect gift ideas, so if you're after something special and uniquely 'Mypofied', you can purchase them through Necia. All proceeds support our School Shop enterprise program.

Pens: \$3.00 ea

Bookmarks: \$3.00 ea

Keyrings: \$4.00 ea



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

Week 8	8/9 . 7:00pm Finance / 7:30pm Governing Council Meetings	9/9 . No Tiny Tigers . Newsletter	10/9 . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	11/9 . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll)	12/9 . 2:45pm Assembly . 5:30pm MCSC bar open	13/9 & 14/9 13/9 - RMFL Preliminary Final / RMNA Grand Final @ Imps
Week 9	15/9 . SACA visit . MBHS Yr 9 Choice & Special Interest music class school tour @ Mypo Institute (whole school)	16/9 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	17/9 . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	18/9 . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll)	19/9 . MNLC senior presentation night	20/9 & 21/9 20/9 - RMFL Grand Final @ Tailem
Week 10	22/9 . Choir excursion at Murray Bridge North School	23/9 . 9:00am Tiny Tigers	24/9 . JP unit enterprise recess (warm Milo & cookie)	25/9 . JP unit enterprise lunch (sausage roll) 2:45pm End of Term Assembly with awards presentation . MFC junior presentation night	26/9 . Newsletter . 2:25pm Early Dismissal . MFC senior presentation night	27/9 & 28/9 28/9 - MNLC junior presentation afternoon

Murray Bridge High School - 2026 Transition Family Meetings (Week 8/9 - Term 3)

Murray Bridge High School will be running individual meetings with parents/caregivers and students in Weeks 8 and 9 this term between 3:45pm-7:00pm. Meetings are designed as an opportunity for MBHS staff to gain your and your child's perspective regarding their learning strengths, interests, and areas for development. If you wish to book a meeting, please access the form below to select a suitable date and time. You will be contacted a week prior to confirm your chosen time, location and to let you know who you will be meeting with.

Dates

Monday 8th September 2025 / Thursday 11th September 2025 / Wednesday 17th September 2025

Family Conference booking form URL:

bit.ly/famconference2026

Term 4 - Upcoming Events

Neighbourhood Allocation:

Week 4, Term 4

Getting Ready for 2026/Fit Night:

Tuesday 11th November - Week 5, Term 4

Transition Day:

Tuesday 2nd December - Week 8, Term 4

CONGRATULATIONS MYPO!

Congratulations to Year 4 student Eva and the Mypolonga Netball Club on their success at the recently held RMNA Junior Presentations.



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. All welcome! For event details and ticketing information, visit <https://MFC2025SeniorPresentationNight.eventbrite.com.au>.

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

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