

Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

21st May 2013

Assembly Roster – Term 2 2013

Week 4 – Jayda Stimpson, Kane Rankin, Griffin O'Connor

Week 5 – Orlando Reddin, Holly Rathjen, Georgia Payne

Student Free Days

. Tuesday 11th June 2013 (following the long weekend)

Dates to Remember

. Grandparents' Day - Wednesday 12th June 2013

. Parents and Friends 'James Bond Night' – Friday 19th July 2013 (more information will be sent home soon).

Hats

Yellow broad brimmed or legionnaire style hats must be worn by students whenever they are involved in outdoor activities, except during the months of June, July and August.

On Friday 31st May, we will send home all school hats, which we kindly ask you to wash and consider whether the hat requires repairing or replacing. The hats can be then brought back to school to be marked off as being returned and will be kept in the classroom until September. New legionnaire style hats (\$4.50) and broad brimmed hats (\$7.50) are available to purchase from the front office.



Walk to School Day

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, so at 9:30am on Friday 24th May, we will be going on a whole school walk around our community. Parents are welcome to walk with us.

Happy Birthday

25/5 – Riley (Year 3)
25/5 – Kiarra (Year 2)
28/5 – Alys (Year 6)
28/5 – Mackenzie (Year 2)
29/5 – Thomas (Year 3)



Welcome Dev and Dale !



Teamwork

Integrity

Generosity of Spirit

Excellence

Respect

Where do cows go when they want a night out? To the *moovies*.
How does a farmer count a herd of cows? With a *cowculator*.
Why did the cow jump over the moon? Because the farmer had cold hands.

NAPLaN

NAPLaN tests are over. I was very impressed by our students' attitude to the tests and their determination to do their best, even to the point of completing the tests when they were unwell, and going home after. As I have said many times, we collect lots of other data sets, which we share with you to complement NAPLaN.

Cows Create Careers

Our calves are here! Dev and Dale are being hand reared by the Upper Primary class as part of the 'Cows Create Careers' competition.

Our students will conduct a scientific experiment on the rearing of the calves, compose a newsletter about calves, and write letters to our industry advocate and farmer as part of the competition. The pressure is really on this year because we are the only primary school in the competition and we will be up against Year 8 and 9s. Such is my confidence in our Upper Primary class that I think we will give them a run for their money.



The calves are certainly very friendly and love all of the attention. Pictured above with Dev and Dale are Brayden, Shaeden and Mitchell.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Connor Smelt for being elected captain of the SAPSASA Football team. I am so proud of the way Connor conducts himself and it is obvious other people see this too. He is a real credit to his family and his school.

Congratulations also to Abbey Kruschel who was elected this region's representative on the Youth Environment Council of South Australia. Abbey has taken leadership of our many environmental and sustainability projects in our school and is a fitting representative of the region.

Abbey is also one of our many students and former students who are in 'High School Musical'. I encourage every family to see the productions by Bridge Players, as they are of such a high standard and give our aspiring thespians an opportunity to learn their craft. Please support our students by taking your family to see their friends and colleagues perform.

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James Bond Night

Coming up on 19th July, Sahara, Charlie and Archie's parents, Greg and Sue are donating their services to the school by running a 'James Bond Night' at the Combined Sports' Club. This is a new venture for us and we are very excited at this prospect. More details will be coming out soon, but make sure you save the date. It will be a fun night.

Exposition Writing

We have just finished our genre cycle of Exposition. Please take some time to read the writing displayed around the school. Topics were:

- JP R/1: 'Are dinosaurs good pets?'
- JP 1/2: 'Should children have to do homework?'
- LMP: 'We are lucky to have grandparents.'
- MP: 'All children should play sport.'
- UP: 'Learning history is a waste of time.'

Grandparents' Day

Speaking of grandparents: Grandparents' Day will shortly be upon us. Invitations have been sent and we will send home a note closer to the date to get final numbers for catering. Our children are very excited and can't wait to proudly show their school to their grandparents!

Warm Regards, Rita

Staff Profile

This fortnight, we introduce our IT Technician **Jason Hagger**. Jason works with us on Thursdays and manages all the school's technology including; computers, iPads, servers, website, and is instrumental in putting together our school magazine and events such as our school concert. Jason also works at Murray Bridge High School three days a week and one day at Jervois Primary School.

Introducing...
Jason Hagger
IT Technician



How long have you been at Mypolonga Primary School?... all my primary school years and 3 years as an IT Technician.

Favourite quote... "Fear is only temporary but regret is forever."

What is your favourite piece of Technology?... my iPhone, iPad, iMac, MacBook Pro and Apple TV.

What 3 words would others use to describe you?... Intelligent, helpful, reliable

Do you have any brothers and sisters?... I have a younger brother Sam and younger sisters Stephanie and Chelsea.

Who is the best teacher you ever had? Why?... I can't pick just one because they are now all my colleagues!!

Counsellor Corner**Resilience Robbers**

This term, I will continue my articles around, '7 Common Resiliency Robbers' by Michael Grose, 'Australia's No. 1 parenting educator'.

Resilience Robber No. 6...**'Parents neglect to develop independence early**

Many modern parents are so anxious about their child's safety that they neglect to give opportunities for kids to develop independence outside their homes. For instance, many children are driven everywhere rather than walk or use public transport, even when it's safe and readily available. Today's children have less freedom than those of past generations, which hinders their ability to assess risk.'

Seek out opportunities to give your child that sense of independence whenever you can. It could even just be staying over at a friend's house. This is a huge step for some children but it is helping them on their road to becoming more independent. Just getting your children to order and pay for their own lunch at school is also a small step towards independence.

By letting them go, you are letting them grow!

Cheers, Kerry

**Junior Primary 1 History
~ Then and Now ~**

In History, students in the Junior Primary 1 class were asked to bring in a baby photo, have a present day photo taken and were asked to draw what they may look like as an adult.

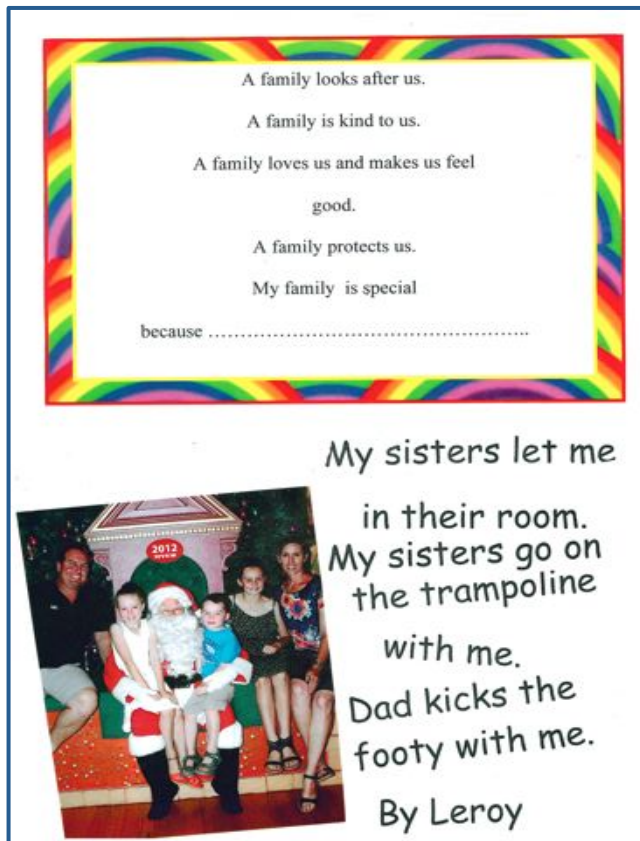
They were also asked to draw 'then' and 'now' pictures of food, clothes, toys/games and activities.

Below is Year 1 student, Claire Ruckenstuhl's poster.



Junior Primary History ~ My Family ~

During their History lesson, students in the Junior Primary class wrote about what was special to them about their families. Below is work by Reception student Leroy Rathjen.



Gymnastics



Pictured are:

(left) **Kobe Hobbs** being tested by his instructor on his core strength and (below left) **Chloe Pahl** on the parallel bars.



"I've learnt how to make different shapes when landing, like pike, tuck, pencil shapes and the motorbike."
Sachin Bartholomeusz, Year 3

"I have learnt how to hold myself on the rings."
Johannah Hobbs, Year 4

SAPSASA Athletics

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who have been selected to represent the Murraylands Athletics team when they compete at Santos Stadium in September:

Kailan Challinger 11yo 100m, 200m, relay, long jump
Baden Monjean 10 yo relay
Holly Temby 10yo relay, high jump (provisional)
Georgia Payne 12yo relay
Reuben Smith 13yo relay
Riley Smelt 10yo high jump, long jump
Isaac Matheson 12yo high jump
Kyal McDonald 10yo shot put
Alys Bockman 12yo shot put

Well done!

Class Awards

Term 2 Week 1

Junior Primary class

Shaylee Martin – for being a great helper to Mrs Perry on her first day back.

Junior Primary 1 class

Claire Ruckenstuhl – for excellent leadership in her puzzle group.

Mitchell Pahl – for working hard to improve his reading.

Lower Middle Primary class

Katie Hutchinson – improvement in the presentation of her work.

Kalum Cappelluti – persistence in addition.

Middle Primary class

Baden Monjean – enthusiasm for learning.

Rohan Bartholomeusz – achieving the next level in Maths.

Upper Primary class

Madison Rathjen – for excellent leadership introducing visitors in the School Shop.

Isaac Matheson – for fantastic attitude to learning – great improvement!

Term 2 Week 2

Junior Primary class

Jayden Hearne – for doing a wonderful job with his reading and moving up levels.

Junior Primary 1 class

Kiarra Gillett – for a massive improvement in her Spelling.

Thomas Kruschel – for writing his journal all by himself.

Lower Middle Primary class

Samuel Montgomery-Pittaway – a considerate class member.

Erin McDonald – always tries her best.

Middle Primary class

Bailey O'Connor – excellent exposition writing.

Holly Rathjen – enthusiasm and persistence in all areas of learning.

Upper Primary class

Paige Vandenberg – for excellent responses to Geography discussion.

Jack Slattery – for helping other students with reading comprehension.

Community News

Mypolonga Football Club

Spend an Evening with Doug Hawkins and Merv Hughes – Tuesday 21st May 2013 at the Mypolonga Football Club from 7:30pm. \$30.00 adults, children free. Doug Hawkins will take junior and senior training on this night.

Sponsors / Past Players / Life Members' Day including Home Match Tea - Saturday 25th May 2013 at the Mypolonga Combined Sport's Club. Teas available from 6:00pm, DJ from approximately 8:00pm.

Blue Light Disco

A Blue Light Disco will be held at the Murray Bridge North School gym, Railway Terrace, Murray Bridge on Friday 24th May, 6:00pm to 8:00pm for children aged 5 to 13 years. DJ, dancing, limbo, games and prizes. \$5.00 entry includes a sausage sizzle. Canteen facilities will be available. This is a lock in event with police supervision. Ph: 85356020 or visit bluelightsa.com.au for more information.

Netball SA – School Holiday Clinic

To be held on 11th July 2013 at Netball SA Stadium. Have fun while learning new netball skills, drills and techniques.

Clinics: 5-10 years NetSetGO!, 11-16 years Netball Skills! Phone 82380500 or visit netballsa.asn.au for further details. Registrations close COB 5 July 2013.

Planning Calendar - Term 2 2013

MCSC – Mypolonga Combined Sports Club

MFC – Mypolonga Football Club

MCC – Mypolonga Cricket Club

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club

MBHS – Murray Bridge High School

4	20/5 STUDENT FREE DAY SAPSASA Netball/Football Carnival	21/5 Gymnastics Newsletter	22/5	23/5	24/5 Walk to School Safely Day 3:00pm Assembly	25/5 & 26/5 25/5 – Mypo -v- Ramblers @ Mypo, including home match tea 25/5 – Mypo RSL Dinner
5	27/5 Gymnastics	28/5	29/5 MBHS information evening 5:30pm- 6:30pm @ St Joseph's PS	30/5 Instrumental Music Students "Concert Band Workshop & Concert"	31/5 3:00pm Assembly School hats sent home	1/6 & 2/6 Mypo -v- Imps @ Imps 1/6 – MNLC Tiger Ball
6	3/6 Gymnastics Hats not required to be worn until September Newsletter	4/6 Junior Youth Forum	5/6 ICAS Science Competition	6/6	7/6 3:00pm Assembly Murray Bridge High School Formal	8/6 & 9/6 KNTFL -v RMFL football competition
7	10/6 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11/6 STUDENT FREE DAY	12/6 Grandparents' Day 7:00pm Sustainability Meeting 7:00pm-9:00pm Year 7 Transition Information Night at MBHS	13/6	14/6 NO ASSEMBLY 3:40pm C&S Meeting	15/6 & 16/6 15/6 – Mypo -v- Mannum @ Mypo, including home match tea and Reverse Raffle night

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