Assembly Roster – Term 3 2012
Week 2 – Jayda Stimpson, Riley Smelt, Nik Cox
Week 3 – Holly Temby, Tyler Martin, Meg Daniel

Coles Sports for Schools / Woolworths Earn & Learn Program
Thanks to everyone who has been supporting the Coles Sports for Schools and Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Extra sticker cards have been included in this newsletter for you to use.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Coles Murray Bridge for their kind donation of a $50.00 gift card for us to use in their store for last term’s fundraising tea.

Inserts to this Newsletter
- Student Grievance Procedures flowchart
- Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker cards

Reminders
- Year 7 MBHS enrolment packs to be returned to the school by 27th July 2012 (end of Week 2).
- LMP/MP camp consent forms, together with $50.00 deposit, were due to be returned on Friday 20th July 2012. Full payment will be required by Friday 14th September 2012.

School Uniform Items
Below is a reminder of what items you may like to purchase from the school:
- School bags ($35.00)
- Iron-on transfers (black or gold) $2.20
- School dress fabric $8.00 per metre
- Second hand uniform items (shirts, pants, shorts etc) starting from $1.00.

Happy Birthday…
25/7 – Jake Orchard
26/7 – Jayda Stimpson
27/7 – Brodie Hocking

Business Excellence Framework
On the 1st and 2nd August 2012, five evaluators from the Australian Business Excellence Framework will visit our school to assess our improvement processes against the Framework. Peter Chislett, our former Regional Director initiated this process last year. The Business Excellence Framework is used by organisations to plan for, implement and measure improvement. The evaluators will assess against 7 categories:

1. Leadership (staff, students and parents)
2. Planning
3. Information and Knowledge
4. People
5. Customers and Stakeholders
6. Improvement and Innovation
7. Sustainability

The evaluators will look through our documentation as well as interviewing staff, students and parents. If you have any feedback I would love to hear from you.

The DECD Improvement and Accountability Framework (DIAf), which is very similar to the Business Excellence Framework, is used as a tool for improvement and accountability by DECD. The Validation process occurs every 3 years. Our Regional Director Alana Girvin has consented for us to go through a modified validation process on the day after the evaluation.

Recognition Ceremony
Part of the Building the Education Revolution process entails a Recognition Ceremony when building is completed. On Friday 3rd August, Senator Anne McEwen will attend this ceremony along with invited guests at 2pm. She will unveil the plaque on the Upper Primary classroom. We have asked Living Legend Tony Brown to cut the ribbon on our expanded library. We are so lucky to have our former Principal available to help us nearly every day! It means that we are able to give our students support from a highly experienced volunteer.

We are a Money Smart School
The new Australian Curriculum has a much greater focus on financial literacy than the previous curriculum. To this end, the Australian Securities and Investment Commission who manage the implementation of the new curriculum, have identified 3 ‘Money Smart’ schools in South Australia – one of which is Mypolonga Primary School! Anne and I will be attending a conference in Adelaide on the 8th and 9th of August. ASIC will fund the development of a DVD, based around our financial literacy resources.

~ John C. Maxwell ~

“Coming together is a beginning, and staying together is progress, but only when teams sweat together do they find success.”

23rd July 2012
During the holidays, Jessica Deane’s mum Carolyn dropped off some bookmarks, which she had put together for Amy. These bookmarks showcase the Reception children’s artwork and are sold by a Reception student during the bus tour each Friday. It occurred to me that while financial accountability is very much part of the program in Upper Primary, there is less understanding in the younger classes. We have now expanded our accountability programs so that all classes will know:

- How much they have sold each week
- How much it actually costs to produce what they sell
- How to engage with customers in a purposeful way

The teachers all agree that this is an important improvement and are excited about giving our students financial literacy skills from the time they start school.

Warm Regards, Rita

SRC – Casual Day

Thanks to everyone who supported last Thursday’s casual day. Our ‘Generosity of Spirit’ value really shines through on these days! As you can see by the pictures below, quite a number of students wore something to support their favourite sporting team!

A total of $188.10 was raised, which will support Year 6 student Connor Smelt with his travel expenses when he competes in the upcoming State football and basketball competitions.

SRC Elections – Terms 3/4

The SRC represents the views of the students of Mypolonga Primary School. It is an integral part of the decision-making, which occurs through the school. Our SRC Co-ordinator is Kerry Daniel. Class elections were recently held and we CONGRATULATE the following students on being elected as SRC representatives for Terms 3 and 4:

- **Upper Primary**
  - Brayden George (President)
  - Chelsea Hagger (Vice President)
  - Nik Cox (Secretary)
  - Aimee Kelly (Treasurer)

- **Middle Primary**
  - Keeghan Davis
  - Mackenzie Rathjen
  - Darcy Elliott

- **Lower Middle Primary**
  - Sky Dankel
  - Paris Montgomery-Pittaway
  - Hannah Hutchens

- **Junior Primary 1 / Junior Primary**
  - Jade Prosser
  - William Schofield
  - Linx Baker

Counsellor's Corner

Included in this fortnight’s newsletter is our ‘Student Grievance Procedures’ flowchart. All students are familiar with this chart. They are working on solving their own problems, knowing that if they need help, there are lots of options.

Please take the time to look at this chart with your child/ren and let them guide you through it.

Cheers, Kerry
Electives Program
Our Term 3 Electives program will be held at the school from 2:30pm to 3:30pm (1 hour in duration) on the following days:
- Tuesday 28th August and 4th September
- Monday 10th September and 17th September

We are looking for parents, friends and/or community members who are prepared to help with, or run an elective for either the first or last 2 sessions or both.

If you are interested in running an elective, please return the note sent home with the students last week, or contact the office staff.

This program cannot go ahead without our community helpers. Thank you.

Class Awards

Term 3 Week 1

Junior Primary class
Bella Pike – for having very neat handwriting.

Jeremy George – for making positive choices in the classroom.

Lower Middle Primary class
Thomas Tidy – excellent improvement in handwriting.
Orlando Reddin – for a great start to the term.

Middle Primary class
~ away on excursion ~

Upper Primary class

Shane Pike – strategic pitching in softball.
Georgia Payne – Tenacious G.

Enterprise Lunches Term 3

Tuesday Lunch – provided by the Lower Middle Primary Class:
Cup of hot Milo and a biscuit - $1.00 per cup

Wednesday Lunch – provided by the Middle Primary Class:
Taco (soft) – includes mince and choice(s) of tomato, lettuce and cheese - $2.00

Items sold under our Enterprise program comply with the “right bite” Education Department policy. All profit raised contributes to the students’ learning.

Dates to Remember

- Show Day (school closure) – Friday 7th September 2012.
- Lower Middle/Middle Primary Woodhouse Camp - Wednesday 10th October 2012 to Friday 12th October 2012.
- Junior Primary/Junior Primary 1 Camp
  - Thursday 11th October 2012 to Friday 12th October 2012 (notes will be sent home this week).
- UP Aquatics Camp – 31st October 2012 to 2nd November 2012 (further details will be provided in due course).

Community News

New Arrival!
CONGRATULATIONS to Deanne and Max Button on the safe arrival of Lucas Edward, a little brother for Orlando in the Lower Middle Primary Class.

Mypolonga Combined SC - Friday Night Teas

Next Tea: Friday 3rd August 2012 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports Club, including member’s draw. All welcome! Bar opens from 5:30pm, teas 6:30pm.

Mypolonga Football Club

Home Match Tea: Saturday 28th July 2012 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports Club. Meals served from 6:00pm. All welcome!

Mypolonga Netball Club

Junior Disco: Saturday 28th July 2012 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports Club. Music, games and dancing will start at 7:30pm. $3.00 slushies and $1.50 cup cakes will be available to purchase. All welcome!

St Vincent de Paul – Charity Bins
A reminder that two St Vinnies charity clothing bins are housed in our recycling shed. Any time you have clothing items you wish to donate, you can drop them off at the front office.

Murray Transport Connections
The Rural City of Murray Bridge and Mid Murray Council would like residents of Mypolonga and surrounds to be aware of a new transport information service available to you. ‘Murray Transport Connections’ is a central point of contact linking people who require transport with those who provide transport. This information service can coordinate transport options for eligible residents who are unable to access transport, or cannot access a private vehicle, due to frailty, age, disability or geographic isolation. We can provide information about local bus, taxi, coach and community transport services including; fares and ticketing, subsidies and concessions; areas serviced; timetables; routes; wheelchair accessibility and eligibility.

Anyone can contact Murray Transport Connections for this free service.

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### Junior Primary/Playgroup Artwork

In readiness for the Olympic Games, which commences on the 27th July 2012, the Junior Primary class, together with Playgroup, have made some lovely artwork, pictured below.

Olympic Rings
by Kobe Hobbs, Year 1

International Flags ~ Australia and England
by Makayla Stimpson and Bella Pike, Reception

### Planning Calendar - Term 3 2012

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**MCSC** – Mypolonga Combined Sports Club  
**MFC** – Mypolonga Football Club  
**MCC** – Mypolonga Cricket Club  
**MNLC** – Mypolonga Netball League Club  
**MBHS** – Murray Bridge High School

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