

# Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> August 2012



Teamwork  
Integrity  
Generosity of Spirit  
Excellence  
Respect

"Change is inevitable. Growth is optional."

~ John Maxwell ~

## Assembly Roster – Term 3 2012

**Week 4** – Holly Temby, Tyler Martin, Meg Daniel

**Week 5** – Thomas Tidy, Mostyn Payne, Chloe Elliott

## Advanced Notices

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2012 – Book Fair display in the Library

- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2012 – Book Fair sales in the Library from 8:30am

- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2012 – School Closure (Show Day). The school will be closed on this day, however, the School Shop will be open for business!

- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012 – Combined Sports Day with Jervois Primary School @ Mypolonga

## 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. Final, extra sticker cards have been included in this newsletter for you to use.

The last day Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers will be given out at the checkout will be Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2012.

Coles Sports for School vouchers will be given out until Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2012.

Please return all completed (or part completed) Woolworths sticker cards and Coles vouchers to the school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2012.

## Reminders

. LMP/MP camp consent forms, together with \$50.00 deposit. Full payment will be required by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

. Junior Primary camp consent forms, together with \$10.00 or commitment to pay required by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

## Happy Birthday...

9/8 – Jeremy George  
17/8 – Rex Dankel



## What a Week!

On Wednesday and Thursday, we took part in an evaluation of our school improvement processes against the Australian Business Excellence Framework. This process helps us to identify key areas for improvement. As usual, the community rose to the occasion by providing information through interviews and helping by making lunch and washing dishes.

Kosta and Georgia D had teachers in tears when talking about how much they appreciated the leadership opportunities they received as Presidents of the School Shop Committee. Meg and Chloe talked about their role on the Improvement Committee, while Mitchell W, Aimee, Georgia P, Chelsea and Hayden talked about the Sustainability Committee. Mitchell shared information again about Parents and Friends, while Patrick wore 2 hats: Parents and Friends and Finance. Holly, Damon, Chelsea and Brayden G explained their roles as SRC leaders. I was so impressed with the knowledge and approach our students used and I was so proud to be their teacher!

Thank you to our wonderful parents who supported us with a positivity, which the evaluators found inspiring.

Lastly, our fantastic staff. We are all leaders at Mypo and I was confident going in to the process that the evaluators would see this. Everyone came together as one to show how proud we are of our school and our community.

## Our New Building is Open

On Friday, Senator Anne McEwen opened the Upper Primary classroom. A big thank you to Annie and David who organised the plaque and Bob Hancock who made the building look great. We were also really pleased to be able to invite Tony Brown to open the library extension (pictured above). This is one small way we can acknowledge Tony for all the support he gives, and has given us for a long time. The students conducted a very moving ceremony dedicated to members of our community who have passed away.



*Pictured above: Tony Brown, Senator Anne McEwen and Rita O'Brien with SRC President Brayden George and SRC Vice President Chelsea Hagger*



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Department for Education and  
Child Development



**This time it's the Radio**

Ron Kandelaars from Radio 5AA came to the school on Friday to do a story on the School Shop. Anne and I have also been asked by the Money Smart program to be the media spokespeople for the program at our conference in Adelaide next week.

**Website**

Jason has done a fantastic job of updating our website. Have a look for yourself! [www.mypolongpsa.sa.edu.au](http://www.mypolongpsa.sa.edu.au)

*Warm Regards,  
Rita*

**Combined Sports Day  
with Jervois Primary School**

Our Combined Sports Day with our sister school Jervois Primary School will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to socialise and develop new friendships. When our Year 7s go to High School, the relationships they have built over many years with their Jervois friends and rivals make that transition process much easier. This year, the Combined Sports Day will be held at Mypolonga Primary School. Further details will be sent home in due course.

**Book Fair**

This year, we are again celebrating Book Week with a Book Fair. Books for sale will be displayed in the Library from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2012 and students can add to a wish list with titles and prices. Sales for the Fair will begin at 8:30am on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, and unfortunately, can only be on a first come, first served basis, and there will be no orders taken.

*Regards,  
Anne Martin*

**Middle Primary Artwork**

Skeleton Name Art was made when students used their own names to make the bones for their skeletons. Some names were tricky, but they all looked great!

*by Bailey O'Connor,  
Year 4*

*by Jessica Donald,  
Year 4*



**SRC News**

**Introducing...**

**Brayden George**  
President, SRC



**As the SRC President I hope to...**be the best role model I can.

**Something you don't know about me is...**I play Soccer in Adelaide for the Toros.

**I read...**Emily Rodda books.

**I watch...**Revenge, ABC3.

**One day I hope to...**be a Doctor.

**The best thing about Mypolonga Primary School is...**the camps and teachers (staff).

**Middle Primary Excursion**

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012 the Middle Primary Class went on an excursion to Ngaut Ngaut Conservation Park as part of their Aboriginal studies, led by student teacher Valerie Scott. The class has learnt about Aboriginal culture and reconciliation. During the term, in Science, the students have also been learning about rocks and gems, so they also visited the Gem and Mineral Gallery in Mannum.

*"I learnt about  
Aboriginal culture  
and many Aboriginal  
symbols. I also saw  
the inside of a bee  
hive."*

*Madeline Sorensen,  
Year 5*



*"It was a great  
experience and I  
learnt more about  
Aboriginal land and  
culture."*

*Madison Kruschel,  
Year 5*

*Student Teacher Valerie Scott with Tyler Martin,  
Mackenzie Rathjen and Darcy Elliott*

## Electives Program

A reminder that 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 28<sup>th</sup> August and 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September and 17<sup>th</sup> September

If you are interested in running an elective for either the first or last 2 sessions or both, please contact the office staff.

This program cannot go ahead without our community helpers.

*Thank you, Kerry Daniel*

## Term 3 Learning Topics

### Junior Primary

**Maths** – time

**History** – Olympics/Australian history

**Science** – weather

### Junior Primary 1

**Literacy** – nouns, verbs, adjectives

**Maths** – 5x tables, symmetry, fractions

**History** – Olympics

**Science** – changes to everyday materials

**Art** - music

### Lower Middle Primary

**Literacy** – command verbs

**Maths** – subtraction and fractions

**Science** – spinning in Space, Weed Warriors

**Art** – Aboriginal Art

**History** – Aboriginal Studies

### Middle Primary

**History** – Aboriginal Studies

**Science** – Space

**Maths** – fractions, shapes (2D and 3D)

**Art** – skeleton names, foil shape art, Olympic collage

### Upper Primary

**Science** – explanation and procedures/earthquakes and volcanoes

**Maths** – percentages and ratio/comparative graphing

**PE** – indoor bowls

**Geography** – Antarctica

**Reading** – understanding sequencing

### Whole School

**Literacy** – Procedure/Cars and Stars

## Community News

### **Mypolonga Football Club**

**Home Match Tea:** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2012 at the Mypolonga Combined Sports Club. Meals served from 6:00pm. All welcome!

### **Mypolonga Scout Group**

**Working Bee:** at the Wall Flat Hall on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2012 from 10:00am. All help appreciated!

## Community News - continued

### **Mypolonga RSL**

**Bingo Tea:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2012 @ the Mypolonga RSL

Bingo teas are fun, inexpensive nights out for the whole family. Teas commence at 6:00pm, Bingo starts at 7:30pm. Please BYO salad or plate of sweets to share.

### **Dreamtime Storyteller**

Local indigenous storyteller Allan Campbell will be reciting the Ngarrindjeri dreamtime story of mulyawongk, the bunyip at the Murray Bridge Library on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2012. All welcome!

## Class Awards

### Term 3 Week 2

#### **Junior Primary class**

**Ava Lindner** – working so well on her own.

#### **Junior Primary 1 class**

**Jackson Ross** – for always having a positive attitude towards learning.

#### **Lower Middle Primary class**

**Kane Rankin** – working hard on his holiday recount.

**Hannah Hutchens** – caring and supportive class member.

#### **Middle Primary class**

**Shanae Neale** – a very positive start to the term.

**Charlie Sullivan Close** – great reading in class and at home this week.

#### **Upper Primary class**

**Georgia Davis** – for excellent work in Maths.

**Brayden George** – for good leadership in class and school.

## Junior Primary / Junior Primary 1 - Visit by Mr Michell

Last Friday, the Junior Primary classes had a special visit from Mrs Stone's Dad, John Michell.

Mr Michell was lucky enough to have had the opportunity to run with the Olympic Torch in the Sydney 2000 Olympics. He kindly brought the torch into school to show the children.





### Planning Calendar - Term 3 2012

MCSC – Mypolonga Combined Sports Club

MFC – Mypolonga Football Club

MCC – Mypolonga Cricket Club

MNLC – Mypolonga Netball League Club

MBHS – Murray Bridge High School

4	6/8 Newsletter	7/8	8/8	9/8	10/8 3:00pm Assembly	11/8 & 12/8 11/8 – MFC/MNLC - v- Meningie @ Meningie
5	13/8	14/8 Maths Competition	15/8	16/8	17/8 3:00pm Assembly <b>6:00pm Myppo RSL Bingo Tea</b>	18/8 & 19/8 18/8 MFC/MNLC BYE
6	20/8 Newsletter  <b>Book Fair books on display</b>	21/8	22/8  <b>8:30am Book Fair sales in the Library</b>	23/8	24/8 3:00pm Assembly	25 & 26/8 25/8 – MFC/MNLC -v- Mannum @ Mypo 26/8 – MFC Under 13s carnival @ Mypo
7	27/8	28/8 2:30pm-3:30pm Electives	29/8	30/8	31/8	1/9 & 2/9
8	3/9 <b>Newsletter</b> 3:40pm Improvement Committee Meeting <b>7:00pm Finance / 7:30pm Governing Council meeting</b>	4/9 2:30pm-3:30pm Electives	5/9	6/9	7/9  <b>SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY (SHOW DAY)</b>  <b>SCHOOL SHOP OPEN FOR BUSINESS!</b>	8/9 & 9/9
9	10/9 2:30pm-3:30pm Electives	11/9	12/9	13/9	14/9	15/9 & 16/9
10	17/9 2:30pm-3:30pm Electives	18/9	19/9	20/9 Combined Sports Day with Jervois Primary School @ Mypolonga	21/9 Newsletter <b>2:00pm Assembly 2:30pm Dismissal</b>	22/9 & 23/9

### Planning Calendar - Term 4 2012

1	8/10 Welcome Back!	9/10	10/10  Lower Middle/Middle Primary Camp	11/10 Junior Primary/ Junior Primary 1 Camp	12/10 NO ASSEMBLY  →	13/10 & 14/10  →
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