

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

‘ Success is not final, failure is not fatal; It’s the courage to continue that counts.
believe you can and you are halfway there.’

Term 3 Week 3 - 6th of August 2026

Term 3 Assembly Roster

TERM 3 WEEK 4 - Friday 14th August @ 2:45pm

Student Presenters: Hamish, Marley, Austin

Happy Birthday for August!

Hunter
Amelia
Theodore
Xanthe
Asher
Billy
Ruby



2026 Student Free Days/School Closure

Term 3 - Thursday 10th September 2026

Term 3 - Friday 11th September 2026 (School Closure day)

Term 4 - Friday 13th November 2026

Don't forget

Continue to seek sponsorships for the Jump Rope for Heart fundraising initiative.



Literacy Cup Progress

Murray 5003

Hindmarsh 4351

Finnis 4237



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Department for Education

We Roar as One!

Welcome to Term 3, we hope you had an enjoyable and safe two weeks with your children, we also thank you for your patience as we navigate our way through a few staffing changes within the school.

Term 3 is a very busy time in schools... with many assessments that need to be completed...

- Year 1/2 Phonics Screening check

- Progressive Achievement (PAT) testing for students from Year 2-6 in reading and maths

All these things will be greatly beneficial in showing us where the students are achieving, where the school is placed and give us direction for what we need to continue to improve for the future.

Along with this there are many extra-curricular activities occurring including excursions, SAPSASA district days, Jump Rope for Heart, Masterclass and Book Week!

Staffing Changes

There have been a number of staffing changes this term due to staff movement and our midyear intake.

We welcome Mrs Alyce O'Brien to work alongside Annie in the finance role. Alyce will spend this term absorbing as much knowledge from Annie as possible, before Annie takes leave from the beginning of term 4. We also welcome Mrs Hannah Heenan as our Student Wellbeing Support Officer (SWSO). Hannah is taking over from Morgan and will be a great asset to the school, currently studying her master's in psychology, she will predominantly work Tuesdays and every second Thursday, supporting our student's wellbeing in the class and the yard.

Miss Rachel Keller is welcomed to teach the 3/4 class on Monday and Friday, taking over from Mrs Diment. Mrs Alice Hillam (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday) is sharing the new reception (LJP) class, with Mrs Sheree Biddle taking them on Thursday. Mrs Biddle is also taking the other reception class (JPG) on Fridays and teaching NIT classes on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Along with this Mrs Daniel will be taking leave from the beginning of week 6 until the end of the term, with Mrs Rumbelow and Mrs Martin, to cover the 4/5 class in her absence. We wish Mrs Daniel well in travels and hope she has an amazing time away.

Parent survey

Many of you would have received a link from the Parent survey team, we invite you to complete the 2026 annual parent survey.

This year the parent survey opens late July and closes midnight Sunday 6 September 2026.

During the survey window you will receive an email or SMS from the Parent Survey Team with a unique link to participate in the survey.

If you haven't received an email or SMS with your unique survey link by Friday 14 August 2026, please check your spam or junk folders. Alternately, contact education.ParentSurvey@sa.gov.au and include our school's name in your email. A new survey will be sent to you.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes and will help us understand:

- what we're doing well
- where we can improve
- what's important to you as parents and carers.

Your answers won't identify you or your child. Only collated feedback will be provided to our school. For more information on the survey, visit the Department for Education website – parent engagement survey.

Book Fair and Book Week Parade

In week 6 we will celebrate the "Symphony of Stories" book week theme with various activities.

We hope to hold our book week parade on Thursday 27th August at 9:15am on the tennis court, after our book fair sales being held in the library.

We hope that some parents have the chance to stay after drop-off and enjoy the costumes that will be on display.

NAPLAN Results

This week you will have received your child/rens NAPLAN results. Mypolonga Primary School should be very proud of its continuing strong results, but we must continue to strive and improve. While NAPLAN data can show us many good things that the school is working on and achieving, it also gives us information about what we can do better. The staff at Mypolonga will use this data to do just that and continue to improve what we are working on for best outcomes for all students.

Masterclass

We have Masterclass sessions coming up in Week 6 and 7 of this term. This is a great opportunity for our parents and community members to come in and share their expertise in an area with our students. If you have a skill that you would like to share with our students, we would love to have you volunteer and share this with the children. Just contact the school to let us know if you can help out on Wednesday afternoons in week 6 and 7.

As always, my door is open and I look forward to hearing your thoughts on ways that we can improve what we do here at Mypolonga PS. Feel free to send me an email, or make a time to meet with me.

Working together

Sunyl Vogt

welcome

TO OUR NEW STAFF



Alyce O'Brien (Finance) Hannah Heenan (Student Wellbeing Support Officer)



Book Week 2026 theme is '**Symphony of Stories**' and will be held in week 6 with the **parade** and **book sales** being held on **Thursday the 27th of August**.



SRC

SEMESTER 2

Meet our SRC Members

Back Row: Ellie, Jessica, Charlie, Oliver, Noah, Harry
Front Row: Mr Rance, Lucy, Blair, Mason, Josiah

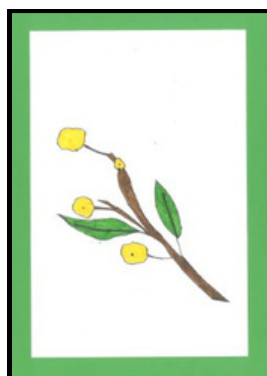
Upper Primary Gold students created their wattle art in preparation for decorating the Town Hall foyer for the choir performance in term 4. This fits in with the choir song, Commissioned Work, titled 'Wattle Sky'.



Xanthe



Marley



Nash



At Parliament House, we were warmly welcomed by Hammond MP Robert Roylance and our guide, Laurie. Students learnt about the three levels of government and even experienced the voting process by casting their votes for their favourite food - hamburgers were the clear winner!

Students then visited the Green Chamber (House of Assembly), where they took part in a role-play debating and passing a bill... to ban homework! They also explored the beautiful Red Chamber (Legislative Council), admiring the stunning architecture and learning about the history of the building.

Teachers: Mrs Daniel, Mrs Carstairs, Mr Rance



Our Lower Junior Primary students have had a wonderful start to school! During their first week we enjoyed reading Grug Goes to School together and talked about how Grug felt, and what he might have seen as he started somewhere new. The children then created their own Grug artworks, using a variety of materials to bring the much-loved character to life. - Mrs Hillam (Teacher)

School Shop



Every Friday our School Shop is open for the Proud Mary boat visitors. This is always a wonderful experience for the students. On Friday the 24th of July we had a small but enthusiastic group of visitors. They were blown away by our leaders and the experience that the shop gives the students. We make lovely connections with our visitors, to the left you see Zakariyah with the lovely Bev bonding over pink hair.

Planner - Terms 3 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat & Sun
TERM 3 Week 3	3/8 Finance & Governing Council meetings	4/8 9-10:00am Tiny Tigers	5/8 MPG lunch Chicken Nugget Roll \$4 UP excursion to Adelaide	6/8 MPB recess Frog in a Pond \$2.50	7/8	8/8 & 9/8 8/8 - Round 16 RMFL/RMNL -v- Cats @ Mypo
Week 4	10/8  SAPSASA Soccer	11/8 9-10:00am Tiny Tigers SAPSASA Soccer	12/8 MPG lunch Chicken Nugget Roll \$4 SAPSASA Soccer	13/8 MPB recess Frog in a Pond \$2.50	14/8 Assembly 2:45pm	15/8 & 16/8 15/8 - Round 17 RMFL/RMNL -v- Storm @ Mypo
Week 5	17/8	18/8 9-10:00am Tiny Tigers District Day @ Unity College	19/8 MPG lunch Chicken Nugget Roll \$4	20/8 MPB recess Frog in a Pond \$2.50	21/8	22/8 & 23/8 15/8 - Round 18 RMFL/RMNL -v- Jervois @ Jervois
Week 6 	24/8	25/8  SAPSASA Basket Ball	26/8 MPG lunch Chicken Nugget Roll \$4 	27/8 MPB recess Frog in a Pond \$2.50 Book Parade/Sale 	28/8	29/8 & 30/8 29/8 Qualifying Final @ Ramblers 30/8 Elimination Final @ Karoonda
Week 7	31/8	1/9	2/9 MPG lunch Chicken Nugget Roll \$4 	3/9 MPB recess Frog in a Pond \$2.50	4/9	5/9 & 6/9 5/9 Second Semi @ Lameroo Netball Prelim final 6/9 Football 1 st Semi Final



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