

MYPO NEWS

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Mypolonga Primary School & Community Newsletter

'The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.' - Eleanor Roosevelt

Term 3 Week 10 - 25th Sept 2026

Term 4 Assembly Roster

TERM 4 WEEK 2 - Friday 23rd October

Student Presenters: Hollie, Alex, Oliver

TERM 4 WEEK 4 - Friday 6th November

Student Presenters: Van, Ruby, Xander

TERM 4 WEEK 6 - Owen, Makenna, Spencer

TERM 4 WEEK 8 - Tabi, Max, Piper

Happy Birthday for September/October!

Leroy
Makenna
Ava
Ava
Hudson
Mason
Max



2026 Student Free Days/School Closure

Term 4 - Friday 13th November 2026 (SFD)

Don't forget

In the school holidays **Daylight Savings** starts, 4th October 2026. Put your clocks forward 1 hour (2:00am becomes 3:00am).

Literacy Cup Progress

Murray 6575
Hindmarsh 5693
Finnis 5594

We Roar as One!

What a busy term of great learning for our wellbeing and academic growth.

Student Free Day Learning

In week 8 all staff participated in learning around the new South Australian Curriculum and learner dispositions.

Learner dispositions are the attitudes, skills and ways of thinking that help our students be successful in their learning. In the current climate, knowledge and information is at the tip of our fingers, and it is becoming more important that students know what to do with this knowledge.

Students need to be able to apply knowledge to solve problems, think critically, communicate, collaborate, adapt and when things change and get challenging they need to persist. These skills are what make us human! At MPS we continue to strive to provide students with these dispositions so that they can grow into excellent humans that contribute greatly to the community and world around us.

Playground progress

Over the last three weeks we have seen lots of progress on our junior playground space. Rotary came in week 8 to mark and dismantle much of the playground to be repurposed overseas. Week 9 saw the removal of the remaining infrastructure and preparation of the space for the new installation. Week 10 has seen the installation of the new equipment and safety inspection.

We can't wait to see the space ready for students to use on return to school in term 4!

Annie, Thank you and Farewell

At the end of this term, we farewell and thank Annie for her almost 17 years of service at Mypolonga as a staff member. Annie started at MPS in 2010 as a classroom SSO before moving into the finance space in 2011. Annie has been a great source of knowledge and stability to the school in that time. The finance position in a school has many challenges that Annie has navigated very well. Along with this role, Annie has led and supported many other areas of the school in building development and maintenance, ICT, the school library, SAKG, and overseeing many other catering and large events the school has organised and run.

I would like to thank Annie for her years of dedication to the school, knowing that she will still be around for any questions and support as she transitions into retirement. We wish Annie and David all the best for whatever the future holds and hope to see them both around in the school and wider community soon.

School daily timetable

This year after trialling three different daytime timetables - we have asked our students, staff and Governing Council members for their feedback. The majority of responses received were very positive of students eating at the end of play times, and of the timetable used this term, where play times were evenly split across the day.

Thanks for your patience while we trialled these options and for the feedback we received. Due to this, we will be continuing with this timetable into the foreseeable future.

End of Year events and dates

At this time of year our calendars fill up very quickly. Please ensure you continue to update your calendars with dates for term 4 that we have in our newsletter. We will endeavour to alert you of any important dates as soon as we can.

I hope that everyone enjoys the holiday break, and I look forward to seeing the students involved in great learning activities in Term 4.

Working together

Sunyl Vogt

Father's Day

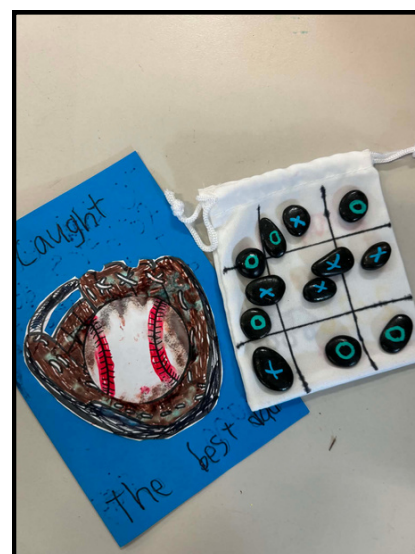
For Father's Day in week 7 the students made gifts for Father's Day. Here are some examples of what the Students made.



Middle Primary Gold made personalised Can Holders and a card.



Junior Primary Gold made Nuts and Bolts to eat and a card.



Junior Primary Black made a game of Tic Tac Toe and a card.



Upper Primary Gold made 5 different kinds of biscuits and a card.



Middle Primary Black made cards and dad's special coupons. They chose activities that their dads would enjoy and included a choccy!



Upper Primary Black made BBQ rub and seasonings with a tanka poem about their dads and what makes them so special.



Jump Rope for Heart



On Wednesday last week, our whole school came together to take part in our Jump Off concluding event. It was a fantastic afternoon filled with energy, enthusiasm and plenty of impressive skipping skills! The event was organised and run by our SRC leaders, Charlie and Oliver, who did a wonderful job helping to coordinate the afternoon and ensuring everything ran smoothly. Students had the opportunity to showcase their skipping skills, both within their classes and through some impressive group routines. It was fantastic to see students encouraging one another, challenging themselves and celebrating their progress. The afternoon highlighted the importance of teamwork, perseverance and having fun while being active.

Through the incredible support of our students, families and wider school community, our school raised almost \$9,000 for the Heart Foundation! This is an amazing achievement and a reflection of the generosity and commitment shown by everyone involved.

A huge well done and thank you to all our students and families for supporting and encouraging this fantastic fundraiser. We would also like to congratulate the SRC leaders for their leadership and efforts in organising the concluding event.

What a fantastic effort from our entire school community! We should all be incredibly proud of what we have achieved together.

River Run - Casual Day

Friday week 9 we held a casual day to support the Novita Mighty River Run. The day was an amazing success, and it was fantastic to see the students coming dressed in the colours purple, navy blue and white. Thank you to all our families for their generous donations which will go towards 'The Silver Backs' crew. As a school we raised just over \$600. Thanks to all for your generosity. We were especially proud to support Myles in Year 1, who is an ambassador for the Novita Mighty River Run. Thank you to our school community for helping make the day such a positive and meaningful event. - Jacob Rance (SRC Coordinator)



Student of the Term

TERM 3 2026

Upper Primary Black

Imogen

James

Upper Primary Gold

Liam

Middle Primary Black

Billy

Middle Primary Gold

Blair

Junior Primary Black

Ralph

Lower Junior Primary

Alaska

*Congratulations
to all our award
recipients!*

Most Improved Student of the Term

TERM 3 2026

Upper Primary Black

No most improved student of the term as two students of the term awarded

Upper Primary Gold

Year 5 Student

Middle Primary Black

Oliver

Middle Primary Gold

Oakley

Junior Primary Black

Myles

Junior Primary Gold

Emily & Lauren

Parent Information Session on Interoception and Self Regulation

Presented by Alice Beckoff, DfE Occupational Therapist and MPS Staff

Thursday 29th October
3:00 – 4:00pm

This session will provide support for parents/ carers wanting to gain understanding of ways to support their children to be aware of what is going on inside their bodies and supporting strategies to help their development of self regulation.

A little bit of brain science goes a long way...



For parents that attend, students will continue to be supervised after school has finished.

Please RSVP with your intended attendance by Monday 26th October.

Planner - Terms 4 2026

TERM 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat & Sun
Week 1	12/10	13/10	14/10	15/10	16/10	17/10 & 18/10
						
Week 2	19/10 7.00pm Finance meeting	20/10 Choir Concert @ Town Hall 	21/10	22/10	23/10 Assembly 3pm MP Black Excursion	24/10 & 25/10
Week 3	26/10 7.30pm GC meeting SAPSASA Girls Football	27/10 SAPSASA Girls Football	28/10 UP Excursion Tree Climb SAPSASA Girls Football	29/10 Introception & Self Regulation Parent Information Session 3-4pm	30/10	31/10 & 1/11
Week 4	2/11	3/11 Melbourne Cup 	4/11 JP & MP Carousal Excursion	5/11	6/11 Assembly 3pm	7/11 & 8/11
Week 5	9/11 SAPSASA Tennis	10/11 SAPSASA Tennis	11/11 Remembrance Day 	12/11 Yr 6 Band Workshop 	13/11 Student Free Day	14/11 & 15/11



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