Dear Parents,

Our week began with a very impressive Public Speaking Competition. The calibre of the speakers that presented on Monday was very impressive and showcased the confidence and skills that the children gain through participating. Thank you to Mrs Armstrong for her organisation and running of the competition. The results are published in the Learning and Teaching section of the newsletter. A topic I like to include in the competition is one that asks children how they feel about their school. I have included Veronica Scully’s (KR) response.

If Prouille was a person, what sort of person would she be?

* I think she would be very pretty, because Prouille is a brand new school. But we all know it doesn’t matter what’s on the outside, it’s what’s inside that counts.
* If Prouille was a person, she would have a kind, gentle heart and a beautiful soul, because we have such a wonderful school community.
* If Prouille was a person, she would be very busy, because there is always so much going on in each classroom.
* If Prouille was a person, she would have her arms open wide, ready to welcome anyone who comes through her door, no matter who they are or where they come from.
* If Prouille was a person, I would give her a big hug, because I love her.

On Tuesday Years 5 and 6 went to the parish mass together to commemorate the life of Archie Hunt. They were joined by past students and teachers from St Leos. Many thanks to Father David, Mrs Lorimer and Mrs Dillon for preparing the mass for our community. The Year 3 Family Mass will be held on Sunday at 9.15am.

Thank you to those parents who attended the Maths in the Morning session on Wednesday. We see parent engagement as a vital part of the teaching and learning process. Another parent engagement session will be held next Monday evening at 7.30pm. This session will focus on cyber safety run by John Hessian from the IT education team from the Catholic Schools Office. I encourage you to attend.

I have been away from school this week at a School Review of another school in our Diocese. The process for reviewing each school is continual but every three to four years a major review of each school takes place. This week you would have received an email with a link to a survey for Mrs Tanya Armstrong’s contract renewal process. Like schools all school leader’s achievements and areas to work on are assessed every three to four years. Please find some time to fill out the survey over the next week.

Yesterday we held our carnival in beautiful winter weather. Many thanks to Mrs Tamone for her organisation of such a wonderful event. The results are in the Sports News section.

Please note the ICAS maths will be held in class time next week. Not 8am.

Regards

Julie Caldwell
UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Term 3 2015

7 Aug  Music Practice for Family Mass 3.30pm to 5.00pm
8 Aug  Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Group at Prouille (3.45pm) followed by Mass (5pm)
9 Aug  Year 3 Family Mass (9.15am)
10 Aug  Mary MacKillop Liturgy (9.00am Hall)
10 Aug  Chess lesson (make up lesson from 6 August)
10 Aug  Cybersafety Night for parents (7.30pm Hall)
10 Aug  Year 1 Social Event
11 Aug  Years 2-6 ICAS Maths Competition (in class time)
12 Aug  Year 4 Class Mass (2pm)
14 Aug  The Assumption Whole School Mass at Holy Name (11am) All Welcome
14 Aug  Assembly (2.30pm)
15 Aug  Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Group at Prouille (3.45pm) followed by Mass (5pm)
17 Aug  Public Speaking Cluster Final (9.30am Berowra)
17 Aug  Australian Girls Choir Assessment (2.00pm)
18 Aug  Cluster Athletics Carnival - Narrabeen)
19 Aug  Maths Olympiad (9.00am)
19 Aug  Year 1 Liturgy (Chapel 2pm)
21 Aug  Junior Band Solo Night in Veritas Hall (6.30pm)
21 Aug  Assembly (2.30pm)
22 Aug  Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Group at Prouille (3.45pm) followed by Mass (5pm)
22 Aug  Year 3 Social Event
23 Aug  Year 6 Social Event

Link to School Calendar on school website for further information and dates

PARISH NEWS

Family Mass Music Practices  Our next Family Mass is on Sunday 9th August at 9.15am

Natalie Oong is organising practices for the Music for each Mass.  We are holding the practice at Prouille in the Chapel or the Music Room this Friday, 7th August 3.30pm to 5pm. Please advise Natalie or Sally if you are able to attend the practice, so we know who is coming.

Students from all years are invited to come along. Please feel very welcome to come along and join the choir. You can contact Natalie via Sally Oong by email on sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au or on 0433 817 114. The music is modern, upbeat and family-friendly. Bring your Holy Name passport!

Thanks,
Sally

PASTORAL CARE

St Dominic’s Day  Today we celebrated the Feast of St Dominic with a special day that was organised so beautifully by Mrs Tanya Lorimer. Thank you, Mrs Lorimer!

Thank you to Mrs O’Brien-Pounde, Mrs Greenwood and the Year 2 children for beginning our day with a liturgy in celebration of St Dominic. It was indeed a wonderful way to remember that special qualities of St Dominic and the fantastic community we belong to, here at Prouille.

Thank you also to the Liturgy Leaders – Emily, Hannah, Ava, Liv and Caitlin – who coordinated the ‘St Dominic’s Day Scavenger Hunt’ for all classes to complete. Everyone really enjoyed solving the clues and finding the tokens!
Thank you to our visitors from St Edmund’s – Margarite, her two staff helpers and the Eddie’s Entertainers. We were so fortunate to be ‘wow-ed’ by the talent and enthusiasm of the Eddie’s students and we have no doubt that this experience was probably a major highlight of the day for everyone who attended!

Finally, a very BIG thank you to the staff and parents and special visitors who so generously gave of their time to facilitate some very exciting and engaging afternoon sessions for the students! A special thank you to Mrs Willett and Mr Jones who organised, coordinated and facilitated a session of their own. The children loved this opportunity – and it was a wonderful way to end our St Dominic’s Day!

**St Lucy’s Liturgy** Thank you to Mr Ford and our Year 4 St Lucy’s Play Buddies who attended the St Dominic’s Day liturgy at St Lucy’s today. It was a great opportunity for our students to come together on this special feast day!

**CyberSafety** Thank you for your support regarding our recent whole school focus on CyberSafety. It is encouraging to know that so many of the important messages regarding student safety have been taken home and discussed as a family. I know that many of you have been referring to the links in our previous newsletters, as well as the poster we attached last week.

We have no doubt that the parent information evening taking place on Monday night will be of further assistance to you all as you gain insights and take on helpful tips and advice to ensure your child’s safety when engaging in various forms of online use. Thanks to the P&F for providing this opportunity, and to Mr John Hession from CSO for facilitating it.

**SRC** At our recent SRC meeting, we discussed what toys/items they enjoyed being brought out onto the playground of a lunchtime. They indicated that they loved the trucks and soft bouncy balls as well as the dress ups! They also asked if tea sets and colouring-in/free drawing paper also be made available.

So, we are asking if any families might have some plastic tea sets (that are no longer being used and are still in good condition) can be donated, as well as any washed and cleaned dress ups that the children can enjoy? Thank you!

Wishing you a lovely weekend!

Kind regards

Vanessa Dillon

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**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

**During Week 5 our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus at school (and home) is:**

- At Prouille we are responsible when we care for our environment (Unity of Creation)

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**LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS**

**Prouille Public Speaking Competition** The annual K-6 Public Speaking Competition was held on Monday 3 August in Veritas Hall. Prouille certainly has much to celebrate re the fine calibre of Public Speaking amongst our students.

Firstly, I congratulate all students at Prouille who prepared and presented a speech to their class. Secondly, I congratulate all the finalists who presented at our school finals on Monday.

Finally, I congratulate the winners from each grade:

- **Kindergarten**  
  Winner: Veronica S  
  Finalist: Xavier M

- **Year 1**  
  Winner: Tialia N  
  Finalist: Myles M

- **Year 2**  
  Winner: Mikey D  
  Finalist: William B

- **Year 3**  
  Winner: Patrick “PJ” M  
  Finalist: Bianca H

- **Year 4**  
  Winner: Sophia F  
  Finalist: Mischa N

- **Year 5**  
  Winner: Annabel M  
  Finalist: Chiara M

- **Year 6**  
  Winner: Daniel H  
  Finalist: Zara O, Chloe O and Matilda D

Zara O and Daniel H will now advance to the Upper North Shore Cluster Brother Whelan Public Speaking Competition on Monday 17 August 2015. If successful at this level, they have the chance to represent Prouille again at the Broken Bay Diocesan Grand Final on Tuesday 25 August 2015.

Tanya Armstrong
**Maths in the Morning**  It was great to see so many parents join us for our Maths in the Morning session on Thursday. All classrooms were open from 9.00 to 10.00am and parents enjoyed interacting with their children during their daily Maths lesson. Students were also given the opportunity to show off their maths skills and challenge their parents with various mental maths games and activities!

A huge thank you to the parents for giving up their morning to come back to school for a ‘maths lesson’ and to the students and teachers for their contribution and effort towards another successful Maths in the Morning session.

**SPORT NEWS**

**PROUILLE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL Results 2015**  Congratulations to Crawford (Gold) on winning the overall point score and to O’Brien (Blue) who won this year’s Spirit Award. Special mention goes to all Colour Captains who enthusiastically organised their teams and to all the teachers and parents who assisted in helping the day run so smoothly. Thank you also to the parents who helped with the food and drink stalls and BBQ.

| JUNIOR BOY CHAMPION | 1st Cavan R, 2nd Josh F, 3rd Boston P, 3rd Jordan F |
| JUNIOR GIRL CHAMPION | 1st Mischa N, 2nd Bianca H, 3rd Molly M, 3rd Phoebe W |
| SENIOR BOY | 1st Angus V, 2nd Matthew M, 3rd Jayden J, 3rd Jordan F |
| SENIOR GIRL | 1st Ella J, 2nd Olivia C, 3rd Eliza V |
| INVITATION BOYS 100 m | Angus V |
| INVITATION GIRLS 100 m | Olivia C |

**CHAMPION HOUSE**  Crawford - Gold

**SPIRIT AWARD**  O’Brien - Blue

**POINSCORE**  Gold Crawford 336, Blue O’Brien 326, Green Rawlings 309, Red Jennings 267

**NEW RECORDS**  
- 8 Year Boys 100 m Boston P 15.99
- 8 Year Boys 200m Boston P 35.02
- Junior Boys 800m Cavan R 2.51.70
- Girls I2 Yea 100m Olivia C 14.36
- Senior Relay 400m O’Brien Blue 1.02.86

**LIBRARY NEWS**

**New South Wales Premier’s Reading Challenge**  Congratulations to the following children who have now completed the Reading Challenge: Lucy W, Hugo W, Eliza W, Sienna M, and Riley. There are only 3 weeks until the challenge finishes, so keep reading!
**Book Fair**  On Thursday and Friday 27th and 28th August we will be having a Book Fair. It will operate from 8-9.30am and then from 3-4pm. The Book Fair is vital in helping to maintain our wonderful library collection. Come along to the Book Fair, buy a book and donate it to the library. Your child’s name is put in the front of the book and they borrow it first. It is a great opportunity to promote sharing of books and a reading culture across our school.

**Book Parade**  There is great chatter amongst the children about what character they are going to come dressed as for the book parade. The Book Parade will be held on Friday 28th August, 1.45pm. Please encourage the discussions about books and characters. This “Book talk” is important in promoting a reading culture across our school.

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**OFFICE NEWS**

**Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers**  Look for the basket in the School Office and Student Counter to add your stickers for Prouille to earn education resources.

Link to [Earn and Learn Sticker Sheet](#)

**School Fees**  A reminder to families paying on a termly basis, Instalment 3 payment was due 24th July 2015. Payment of overdue fees would be greatly appreciated.

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**P & F NEWS**

**Cake Stall Thank You**  Our sincere thanks to the wonderful Prouille community for the magnificent array of baked goods you provided yesterday – the cake stall truly was a sight to behold. Thank you also to our wonderful band of volunteers – your smiles and enthusiasm really added to the spirit of the day.

Through your efforts, we raised $538. Well done! We thoroughly enjoyed the day and hope you did, too.

Brigid Wright and Margot McGibbon
K-2 Stage Co-ordinators

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**SCHOOL BAND**

**“Dob in a Dad” Father’s Day Concert**  In previous years, we have been entertained by some very accomplished fathers and influential men, and their sons and daughters. We would love to hear another performance from these dads, and would also welcome new faces. We need to identify the fathers (and/or other significant males) of students who can play any musical instrument or sing. Please keep your item to less than 2 minutes so that we can involve as many performers as possible.

Items of an entertaining, light nature are most suitable.

Make sure you volunteer for the 4th September!
“Dob in a Dad” Father’s Day Concert  Please return by 22/8/15

My (eg Dad)................................................................................ can sing/play the.................................................................

He(name)...................................................................................... is just learning/ quite a good player/ an accomplished performer.

My name is.................................................................Year.....................

We can play(name of piece)..............................................................................................................................

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SCHOOL BANKING

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Wednesday is School Banking Day!

There are fantastic prizes on offer to Prouille bankers this term. Simply make 3 or more deposits this term to automatically be in the running for prizes including:

- 75 x iPad minis WiFi 16GB
- 125 X Beats by Dr Dre Solo Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

In addition, students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal from July 13th to double their chance of winning a prize. As a participating school, Prouille will also be in the running to win one of 75 sets of children’s books for our library, valued at $200.

- School banking is a great fundraising activity for our school. Prouille receives 5% of every dollar you deposit at school to help fund school resources. [up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit]
- If you have previously participated in the school banking programme at Prouille and would like to recommence but are unable to locate your banking wallet we are able to provide replacements. Your bank account details can be located on your Bank Statement or, alternatively, obtained from the Commonwealth Bank.

Bankers eligible to claim a reward please remember to complete the reward card coupon and return it, along with your 10 tokens, with your next School banking to ensure you receive the reward of your choice!

Note: If you cannot locate your reward coupon, a replacement card may be printed by visiting School Banking on the Prouille School web page.

School Banking is now on the Prouille School Web page!  For more information, visit School Banking Prouille website.

Regards, School Banking Team
Cyber Safety
And Screen-Time Usage

An Invitation to Prouille Parents and Carers

Are you concerned about your child's screen-time?

Do you think you’ve got all the tools and resources to ensure cyber safety in the home?

- Hear key tips and ideas for parents
- Get advice on the What and How Long of screen-time,
- Understand how to manage the risks
- Share and discuss your concerns with an experienced educational expert and other parents

Please join us for an important information evening on CYBER SAFETY presented by John Hession.

John is the Education officer, E-Learning at the Catholic Schools Office.

Monday 10th August at 7.30pm in the Veritas Hall (Next Monday)

No need to RSVP – Just turn up!
Dr Justin Coulson  Monday 17th August at Sacred Heart Pymble
Link to RSVP to attend Pymble Seminar

Dr Justin Coulson, father of 6, is one of Australia’s most respected parenting speakers, authors and researchers. He is the founder and owner of ‘Happy Families’ and has written a number of popular books about parenting and happiness. Dr Justin appears regularly on The Project and Studio 10, and he is the parenting expert at Kidspect and The Daily Telegraph.

Monday 17 August 7 - 9 pm
Sacred Heart Catholic School
Richard Porter Way, Pymble
All Welcome - No Cost

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This notice is from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), to advise you that ACARA has requested your child’s school to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. Your school may disclose to ACARA information such as your child’s gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, residential address, parental occupation and parental education.

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- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

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