Dear Parents,

This week we have been gifted with many exciting things.

**Gifts from God**
Many children from Year 2 and others will receive the gifts of the spirit. The gifts the Spirit bestows are wisdom and understanding, right judgement and courage, knowledge and reverence and wonder and awe. Thank you to the parents, teachers, parish team (led by Sally Oong) and Father David who have prepared the children for this important sacrament.

**Gifts from the Staff**
Thank you to our Wellbeing Team who work so hard to ensure that our Wellbeing Week is a time to relax and laugh a little. Thank you to Mrs Neilson who has us all excited about books, the book stall, the quizzes and the Book Character Parade. We are very grateful for all the work you put into this for us.

**Gifts of Learning**
Our Naplan results arrived this week. Congratulations to all those children who sat the tests on your impressive results. On initial analysis we are seeing a lift in areas that Naplan tests. We are already undertaking an in depth analysis of this and our other data. We have engaged Bill Adern form the Catholic Schools office to assist us in tracking and monitoring children’s learning. Our data shows that our focus for next year will continue to be writing and we will encompass spelling as well next year. Next week we welcome Peter Hamill, the Director of Schools to Prouille. His focus for this visit is to look at our Learning Support which is very ably led by Mrs Cathy Chapman.

**The Gift of Family**
Next week we will celebrate Father’s Day. While it is a special day for dads we realise that there are many people in our community who take on that role. Many grandparents, friends, mothers and brothers help support families as well as our dads. I hope many of you can make it to the Father’s Day Breakfast next Friday morning at 7.30am.

Regards

Julie Caldwell
UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Term 3 2015

30 Aug Celebration of Confirmation at Holy Name (9.15am) or (12.00pm)

Week 8
1 Sep Year 4 Excursion
1 Sep St Lucys Week without Words Breakfast 7.30am
2 Sep Year 3 Class Mass (Chapel 2pm)
3 Sep Year 4 MILO Cricket
3 Sep Father’s Day Stall
3 Sep Lunch Recital (12.45pm)
4 Sep Father’s Day Breakfast (7.30am) Liturgy in Veritas Hall (9.40am) (Band)
4 Sep Polding Athletics at Glendale
4 Sep Assembly

Week 9
9 Sep Maths Olympiad
9 Sep Year 2 Class Mass (Chapel 2pm)
10 Sep Book Swap Stall
11 Sep Assembly
12 Sep Year 2 Family Mass at Holy Name (9.15am)
12 Sep Year 5 Social Event
13 Sep Walk to Water (Parish fundraiser)

Week 10
14 Sep Health Lunch
16 Sep Open Classrooms (9am-10am)
16 Sep Year 3 Pirate Day
17 Sep Year 1 Social Event
18 Sep Assembly
18 Sep End of Term

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

PARISH NEWS

WALK TO WATER 2015

More Details - Sunday 13 September

This year Holy Name is again participating in the annual Walk to Water charity event to help raise money for persecuted Christians in Nigeria and Kenya. In 2011 we raised $1000 to help provide water wells for these communities so that they can have fresh water close to their villages.

For those of you joining us on our charity walk to Bobbin Head through the Ku-ring-gai National Park, We will leave from the end of Grosvenor Street in North Wahroonga after Mass at 11am. We invite you to join us at the end of the walk for a sausage sizzle provided by Holy Name. For the walk, however you will need to bring some snacks and enough water to get you through the 2.6 hour walk.

There will be transport available to take us back to our cars.

To raise money we are asking for a note donation from adults and a gold coin donation for kids as an entry fee. Please remember that all this money goes to Open Doors, the organisation supporting these African communities.

For further information, contact Sandi Candotti on 0419 532490 or spieat@czemail.com.au
PASTORAL CARE

PBL Gold Award  Congratulations to Daniel (6AC) and Zoe (6AC) for achieving their PBL Gold Award! This means that both Daniel and Zoe have received 30 tokens in each of our PBL areas – Respectful, Responsible, Learner 😊 We will formally acknowledge their wonderful achievements at our next Friday assembly in Week 8.

Wellbeing Week  This week the students and staff of Prouille have enjoyed many wonderful opportunities to pause, breathe and reflect as part of our Wellbeing Week. During our SRC meeting on Wednesday, the children spoke about what they had enjoyed:

- The ‘thankful circle’ was where one class sat in a circle and each person took it in turns to say what they are thankful for.
- Guided meditation. Many of the children spoke about how this was taking place in their classrooms this week, and how much they love participating in it.
- Quotes and Video Links. Some of our classes have focused on the quotes that were found to match each day’s theme. And some teachers had then found a corresponding video clip that helped to express this quote in greater detail and context.
- Friendship Recipe. Some classes had helped to create a ‘friendship recipe’ where the ingredients included focused on positive traits and qualities that help to create a good friend.
- Compliments. A couple of classes had been given a fellow classmate for whom they wrote a compliment. These were then read out and received by each person in the class. Those children who mentioned this, said how affirmed and valued they felt to receive these compliments.
- Gift creating. Some classes incorporated the focus for ‘Terrific Tuesday’ on creating a class gift that was wrapped with the gifts and talents of the class members.

We love providing these opportunities for the students, and it is great to receive their feedback indicating the positive effect it has on them and their wellbeing. Thank you to all the staff who have thoughtfully provided these experiences for our students this week!

Dress Ups  Thank you to those families who are kindly donating their ‘no longer required’ dress ups for use here at school. If there are any additional resources (including more dress ups, or tea sets, or fake flowers, or cars and trucks, or board games) that people would like to donate, please send them in!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,
Vanessa Dillon

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

During Week 8 our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus at school (and home) is:

- At Prouille we are learners when we are cooperative (Community)

LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS

This week’s challenge can be found on the last page of the newsletter

Write down all your solutions on a piece of paper and put it in the Elmo Emu Challenge Box near Student Reception.
Make sure you write your name and class on your solution.

Save the Date  Reading with your child- Parent Information Session Monday 12th October, 6.30-7.30 pm in Prouille School Library.
Invitation to Year 2 Family Mass – Sunday 13th September- On Sunday 13th September we have a Family Mass at Holy Name Parish. Year 2 families are invited to attend the 9.15am mass. We would like to invite all our Prouille families to join us on this special day.

Confirmation On Sunday many students from Year 2 and a number from other grades will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by our Bishop Peter Comensoli. This is a very important part of their faith journey. This sacrament is an initiation into our faith. As a community we keep all these children in our prayers at this very special time.

‘May God’s blessings be with you and the gift of the Holy Spirit lead you throughout your faith journey’. Heavenly Father, You sent your Spirit to transform the Apostles into heroes of evangelical strength on the day of Pentecost. Thank You for granting that same Spirit to our children in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Pour down upon them the sevenfold gifts of the Spirit that they may more closely resemble Jesus and be a brave witness in the world to You and your Divine Son.
Amen.

Fathers’ Day Liturgy Please join us on Friday 4th September at 9.00am, Kindergarten will lead us in our Fathers’ Day Liturgy. All fathers, grandfathers and significant males are welcome!

Regards
Tanya Lorimer (Acting REC)

SPORT NEWS

Broken Bay Athletics Carnival On Tuesday 13 children from Prouille went to the Broken Bay Track and Field trials at Narrabeen. Congratulations to the following children.

- Olivia C who placed 3rd in the 100m final, 2nd in the 200m final and 1st in the Relay.
- Ella J who placed 3rd in Long Jump, 5th in the 100m final and 1st in Relay
- Isabella B who placed 8th in 800m, 5th in the 200m and 1st in Relay
- Eliza V who placed 1st in Relay
- Molly M who placed 6th in 800m
- Zara O- 6th in Discus
- Boston P – 6th in 100m Final
- P.J.M – 7th in 100 m Final
- Cavan R – equal 5th in High Jump
- Jordan F – equal 5th in High Jump
- Matt M- 4th in Shot Put

Well done to Angus V and Jordan F who also participated in individual events.

Special mention must go to our Senior Girls relay team who won convincingly running 56.94 (possibly breaking the record) with this also being faster than the winning Senior Boys team time 57.56. These girls are off to Newcastle next Friday for the Polding championships.

Than you
Louise Tamone
BOOK WEEK

Link to more Book Character photos
**MUSIC NEWS**

Lunchtime Recital  Please keep the date of our next recital in your diaries - **Thursday 3rd September at 12.45pm in the school hall**....all welcome.

Elizabeth Moor and Janet Wise (piano), and Dominic Meagher (violin)

**OFFICE NEWS**

Student Leavers  Any student leaving at the end of the year  parents are asked to contact the office or visit to collect a Student Leavers form.

School Fees  Statements were sent home last week to those with school fees in arrears.  We are still waiting on some accounts to be finalised.  If you have any queries please contact the school office.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers Double Sticker Weekend!  Than you to everyone for all the stickers collected so far.  Our current points tally is 11760.

**SCHOOL BANKING**

Wednesday is School Banking Day!  **Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read**

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.  Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.  Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program.

Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ should have received a note from School Banking and are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

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
**BOOKCLUB NEWS**

**The latest Book Club** was sent home last week.

Please remember cash payments cannot be accepted. Payments can be made online by following the information on the Scholastic Book Club flyer and cheque payment will also be accepted (cheque made payable to Scholastic).

Please note that any LOOP orders do not need to be sent in for processing.

Thank you

Nicole Mulders

**P & F NEWS**

**Parent Engagement**

An “after the bell” session for parents and students!

As a follow on from Book Week, Mrs. Neilson will present “Using Destiny Quest” A guide to using the library search interface.

Please join us with your children on Tuesday 8th September 3.15pm, in the library. Toddlers welcome.

Michelle McGrath
Parent Engagement Coordinator 0411 790 672

**Father’s Day Breakfast** 4th September 7.30am - 9.00am followed by a special Liturgy and classroom visits

**RSVP Reminder** We wouldn't want any Dad to miss out on a delicious breakfast on Friday 4th September so if you haven’t already done so could you please return your RSVP slip together with $5 to the school office by Tuesday 1st September. This is our final date for RSVP’s as we need to know numbers for catering purposes.

**Volunteers** We are still looking for volunteers to assist us spoil our wonderful Dad’s over the morning so if you are available to help at anytime between 7.00am - 10.00 am then please contact us - margot@manakia.com.au or brigidwright@optusnet.com.au

**Baking contributions** We know the Dad’s and children will warmly welcome all baking contributions of muffins and breakfast goodies (Nut free) so if you are able to deliver your baking to us on Friday morning we will be so appreciative.

Thank you and we look forward to a wonderful Father’s Day breakfast celebration with the Dad’s of Prouille!

Margot McGibbon & Brigid Wright
COMMUNITY NEWS

Alan Stopford Tennis Coaching
School Holiday Camps (for ages 5 – 15 years)
Normanby Boys High School
Fraser Road, Normanby
Camp One 21st September to 25th September 2015
Camp Two 18th September to 2nd October 2015

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT OF $5 IF YOU BOOK AND PAY ONE WEEK PRIOR TO CAMP. BRING A NEW FRIEND TO RECEIVE $5 OFF. SIBLING DISCOUNT OF $10 AVAILABLE

Golf Clinic/Putt Putt on Wednesday afternoons at Thornleigh Golf Centre.

Cost:
- $25 per day per child
- $30 per day per sibling
- $180 per week per child
- $210 per week per sibling

Contact: Alan Stopford Tennis Australia Qualified Coach
Phone: 0405 205 568
Email: stopfordtennis@icloud.com
Website: stopfordtennis.com.au
Like us on Facebook: Alan Stopford Tennis Coaching

Get Ready for Summer
Learn to Swim Classes Commencing Term 4
The Abbotsleigh Aquatic Centre is a state of the art indoor facility for year round use by all members of the local community.

Now is the perfect time to make a booking and secure lessons leading into summer!

- Five levels of learn to swim and elementary stroke correction
- Junior development/fitness squads
- Elite competitive squads
- Diving program from beginners to elite
- Fully qualified Australian instructors, green and bronze licensed coaches overseen by Silver Level Coach

Spring Holiday program:
- Monday 21 to Friday 25 Sept
- Monday 28 Sept to Friday 2 October

Term 4
- Commences Tuesday 6 October. Classes are offered in small groups. Half hour lessons are held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons as well as Saturday mornings. Call now to book an assessment.

For more information:
Please contact Lyndal Wells at the Aquatic Centre on 94737830 or wells@abbotshigh.nsw.edu.au.

Abbschool
Elmo Emu loves Mathematics at Prouille!

EMU EXPRESS - Term 3 Week 7

Each fortnight, there will be an Elmo Emu Challenge, a different number for Infants (K-2) and Primary (3-6) to number bust and number line activities for students to complete.

Congratulations to Sophie M (Year 3B), Siena M (Year 3B) and Mattia C (Year 5BD) for their wonderful solutions to last week's challenge and activities.

This fortnight’s Elmo Emu Challenge

This fortnight we are exploring tessellating patterns, which means the shapes fit together like tiles with no spaces. We can flip, slide and turn 2D shapes to make tessellating patterns. Take a look at this example:

This week’s fortnight challenge:

Elmo Emu wants to make a tessellating pattern. Can you give Elmo some ideas to make some tessellating patterns? How many different shapes can you use in your pattern?

Write down all your solutions on a piece of paper and put it in the Elmo Emu Challenge Box near Student Reception. Make sure you write your name and class on your solution. DUE WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2015

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WHAT’S NEW IN TECHNOLOGY FOR MATHEMATICS LEARNING?

Friends of ten are the important number facts that children need to know in order to solve problems. This week’s app is aimed at Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 students. If you follow the link below, there are some ideas on how to use the app and the questions you can ask to help you with your learning.

http://www.littlemonkeyapps.com/friendoften

NUMBER LINE ACTIVITY

Can you work out what the mystery number is?

60 ? 100

Write down the mystery number and explain why you chose that number. Put your solution in the Elmo Emu Challenge Box near Student Reception. Make sure you write your name and class on your solution.

DUE WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2015