Dear Parents,

This week has been a very busy week for learning at Prouille not only for the children but for the teachers as well. Last Saturday many of our teachers attended a day with Ron Ritchardt from Harvard University. Ron has spent many years researching the teaching of thinking in classrooms. The teachers were enthusiastic and a team of four of us have spent a further two days with Ron looking at the change management requested around creating a culture of thinking at Prouille. As well as this learning program two more teachers have chosen to be EMU trained specialists. Mrs Davidson and Mrs Pan began their training this week. All of our teacher training and PD is aligned to the goals of the school that were set out at the Parent Teacher evening.

This week I represented Prouille at a magnificent celebration at St Leo’s for their 60th anniversary as a school. Many past principals, the Bishop and many dignitaries attended the mass. It was a pleasure to see a number of our past students and parents at the Mass. St Leo’s choir (1st place – Sydney Eisteddfod) helped make it a reverent and meaningful celebration. The photos below show Gavi Duncan, Manager of Aboriginal Cultural Services, Bara Barang Corporation, Gosford, who performed the Smoking ceremony and Bishop Peter, seen performing the special 60th Anniversary Blessing over the community of St Leo’s Catholic College.

I hope you have tickets for the Welcome Event tomorrow night. It will be a lot of fun and a great chance to meet new people and reconnect with others.
All families are welcome to attend the Year 1 Family Mass this Sunday at 9.15am at Holy Name.

Next week on Friday, 4th March, at 2.30pm I will present some of our Wellbeing initiatives and introduce you to Cecilia Lim our new school counsellor. Cecilia will tell you about her work in schools and some of the proactive strategies that we might take at school and at home to support children with anxiety and support overall wellbeing.

Reminders

OPEN DAY  Friday 11th March 9.30am to 11.00am

Regards,

Julie Caldwell

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Term 1 2016

Week 6
1 Mar  Cluster Swimming Carnival
1 Mar  Reconciliation Yr 5 & 6 (2pm) Chapel
2 Mar  Piano Lunchtime Recital (Hall) 12.40PM
4 Mar  Year 6 Cluster Mass
4 Mar  Parent Education Session (Wellbeing) 2.30pm in Hall
4 Mar  No assembly
5 Mar  Reconciliation Session 1 Yr 3 (3.45pm at Prouille followed by 5pm Mass at Holy Name)

Week 7
7 Mar  Catholic Schools Week
7 Mar  Kindergarten mums social event
8 Mar  Year 1 Liturgy (2pm)
8 Mar  Diocesan Swimming Carnival
9 Mar  P & F Meeting (9am)
10 Mar  Parent Wellbeing morning in Chapel (9am-11am)
11 Mar  Open Morning (9.30am – 11.00am)
12 Mar  Reconciliation Session 2 Yr 3 (3.45pm at Prouille followed by 5pm Mass at Holy Name)

Week 8
15 Mar  Year 5 Class Mass at Holy Name (9.15am)
17 Mar  St Patrick's Day Reflection
18 Mar  Parent Education Session: NAPLAN 2.30pm in Hall
18 Mar  No assembly
19 Mar  Reconciliation Session 3 Yr 3 (3.45pm at Prouille followed by 5pm Mass at Holy Name)

Week 9
21 Mar  Holy Week
21 Mar  Reconciliation Sacrament
23 Mar  Reconciliation Sacrament
25 Mar  Good Friday
26 Mar  Easter Saturday
27 Mar  Easter Sunday

SLUSHIES
$2.00
Each Friday during Term 1

Link to School Calendar is available to view on school website and Prouille Mobile App for further information and dates

Link to Term Dates
**PROUILLE MOBILE APP**

Our **Prouille App** has just been launched and is available for all families to download for free from the App Store. It can be used for iPhones and Android.

The app is available in the app store for android and Apple phones. The Prouille app draws information from our website so you can see the [calendar, newsletters](#) and it has an alert function for reminders and any emergency events.

Simply search ‘Prouille Catholic Primary School’ within the app store to download.

We recommend allowing **Push Notifications** so you receive important notifications automatically without having to go into the app to check.

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**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

**During Week 6 Term 1 our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus at school (and home) is:**

- **At Prouille we **are** responsible when we look after our belongings and the belongings of others (Community)**

Link to [PBL Scope and Sequence 2016](#)

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**LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS**

**ICAS International Competitions and Assessments for Schools** We are offering your child an opportunity to participate in the [International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas) at school.

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To enrol your child in ICAS, please complete the registration form [LINKED HERE](#), and return it, with your entry fees, to school by **Tuesday 15 March 2016**.

To learn more about ICAS go to [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about) Remember, EAA has some very helpful tools to help your child prepare. You can access practice assessments at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation)

**To enrol your child in ICAS**, please complete the registration form overleaf and return it, with your entry fees, to the school no later than Tuesday, 15 March 2016. **PLEASE NOTE NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Kind regards,

Tanya Armstrong
Assistant Principal

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**Year 1 Family Mass** A reminder that you are all invited to attend the Year 1 hosted Family Parish Mass this coming Sunday 28th February at 9.15am at Holy Name Church. Thank you to the Year 1 teachers for their support and coordination with this, and to Sally, Natalie and Amanda for their organisation in allowing this special celebration to run so smoothly.
Project Compassion  Thank you to our Year 6 Mission Leaders for the presentation they prepared and delivered at this afternoon’s Whole School Assembly. Manaya, Chiara, Eli and Emily reminded the Prouille community about why this fundraiser takes place and informed us about how the funds are utilised within very deserving communities throughout our country and around the world. We encourage you to talk with your children about this cause and help them find ways to support it.  [http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)

**WELLBEING NEWS**

SRC Terms 1 and 2 2016  Congratulations to the following students who will be representing their classmates as a member of our 2016 SRC (Terms 1 and 2). These children were recognised today at our Friday afternoon assembly: Nathan (KLT), Henry (KR), Charli (1P), Metta (1E), Lachlan (2S), Ava (2D), Riley (3AC), Annabelle (3B), Sijana (4F), Jordan (4G), Greta (5R) and Holly (5O). These children will be meeting frequently throughout the term with myself and Mrs Caldwell so as to encourage and promote student voice. They will be ably led by our Year 6 SRC Executive members: Alannah, Aimee, Annabel and Jake.

Gold Award  Congratulations to Thomas and Toby (6LD) for their recent achievement in receiving their PBL Gold Award! Well done !

‘Refresh The Spirit...’  Many of you would have become familiar with our Wellbeing Weeks throughout the year last year. These take place every Week 7 of term and remind us of the need to pause and take check of our emotional and social wellbeing, and our mental health. Last year we provided some worthwhile opportunities for our students and staff and this will be a continuing focus throughout 2016. Also this year, we would like to be mindful in providing something for parents, too. Thanks to the expertise and generosity of Robyn Gallagher, we have available a special morning for parents to ‘Refresh The Spirit...’ You are warmly invited to attend this event on Thursday 10th March from 9am until 11am followed by morning tea. The morning will explore a range of tools including self-compassion and gratitude, with gentle meditation, interactive discussion, engaging clips and some beautiful food to refresh and revive your Spirit. We look forward to welcoming you!

Playground Toys  We recently received two beautiful doll houses for the students to use on the playground. One was donated to the Kindy Classrooms and one was made available for the bottom playground. If you have any doll house furniture that is no longer required at home, we would love to have it here at Prouille! Please feel free to send it in to me via the front office.

Wishing you peace and blessings,
Vanessa Dillon.

**SPORTS NEWS**

Prouille Swimming Carnival  Congratulations to the following students who will be representing Prouille at the upcoming Cluster Swimming Carnival: Jordan F, Molly M, Savannah S, Boston P, PJ M, James M, Georgie D, Josh F, Ethan M, Mattia C, Toby W, Taylor O, Phoebe W, Annabel M, Barney H, Sarah H, Ben Sm Ines T, Jacinta I & Eli D.

Broken Bay Winter Sports Team Trial Details 2016  Link to [Player Profile Form](#)

Students may apply to Mrs Carolan to be our school representatives for the following sports:

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### Students to bring own protective gear. Shin pads compulsory.

| **SOCCER – Boys** | **Thursday 17 March** | Lionel Watts Oval Blackbutts Rd Frenchs Forest | 12-3pm | Friday 29 April Bathurst |
| **SOCCER – Girls** | **Thursday 17 March** | Lionel Watts Oval Blackbutts Rd Frenchs Forest | 12-3pm | Friday 29 April Bathurst |
| **OPEN LEAGUE** | **Friday 18 March** | St Peter’s Catholic College Gavenlock Rd Tuggerah | 1.00 - 3.00 pm | Friday 29 April Bathurst |
| **NETBALL** | **Monday 21 March** | Northern Beaches Indoor Sports Centre Jacksons Rd, Warrewood | 12.00 – 3.00 pm | Friday 29 April Bathurst |
| **TOUCH** | **Tuesday 22 March** | EDSAAC Yakalla St Bateau Bay | 3.30- 5.00 pm | Friday 3 June Port Macquarie |
| **TOUCH** | **Tuesday 22 March** | EDSAAC Yakalla St Bateau Bay | 3.00- 4.30 pm | Friday 3 June Port Macquarie |
| **RUGBY UNION** | **Tbc** | EDSAAC Yakalla St Bateau Bay | Details available in term 2 | Mon 27 June Forbes |

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### PARISH NEWS

**2016 Sacramental Program 2016**

Link to [Children’s Sacramental Program 2016](#)

- Enrolling your child into the Sacramental Program
- Parish Family Mass dates for 2016
- Information Evenings
- Group Leader Training
- Sacramental Preparation Groups

**Family Mass** All families are invited to attend the Family Mass on 28th February 9:15am at Holy Name.

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### OFFICE NEWS

**School Fees** have been emailed to all families. If you have not received your school fees via email please contact the school office.

**Instalment dates** – please refer to your statement regarding the type of schedule you have selected and refer due dates below for February 2016

**Fees payment due dates for February 2016**

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Link to [school fee instalment dates](#)

If you have any queries regarding school fees please contact the school office. Lisa Emerton will follow up to assist families with fee enquiries.

**Lost** On Thursday a clear crystal bracelet was lost on the school side of Water Street. If found please hand in to the school office.
Family Verification Reports Please return your Family Verification Report and include any changes to emergency contact information, mobile numbers, emails addresses etc. Thank you to the many families that have already returned their report to the school office.

Print from your phone and ipad We are trying to reduce our paper consumption and so will not be sending printed copies of notes and newsletters home. We will investigate using online permission forms this year. We have investigated printers for you and have found that there are four at Officeworks Hornsby, under $50, that will print notes from your phone and Ipad.

P & F NEWS

Prouille Second Hand Uniform Sale The first second-hand uniform sale of 2016 will be held later this term in readiness for the changeover to winter uniform in Term 2. All families were sent an email today containing the Sale Form Term 1 2016. Please note, the form must be returned no later than Friday 11th March to Emma McGrath emma.mcgrath@yahoo.com.au

If you wish to BUY second hand items, a complete list of ALL second hand items for sale will be distributed during the week commencing 14th March. You may then contact the seller direct to purchase items. If you have any questions about this voluntary service, please do not hesitate to contact Emma.

COMMUNITY NEWS

New Players needed Prouille FC - NSFA Club Champions 2015 are building on a very successful year and are looking to recruit across all our senior teams. If you know of anyone who might be interested persuade them to get in touch asap.

Prouille FC are looking for the following players:
- Girls under 16
- Womens All Age - (must have played before and age 16+)
- Womens O35’s
- Mens O35’s and Mens O45’s

Interested players should contact Prouille FC - email HeadCoach@prouillesoccer.com.au

Thanks

Steven

Head of Coaching – Prouille FC

Prouille FC is proudly sponsored by Alto Pennant Hills and NorthPoint Motor Body Repairs and That Barber Shop in Wahroonga

Be confident

Open Day Sunday 6 March 10am – 2pm
Inspiring Young Women, Transforming the Future

For more information: www.msb.nsw.edu.au Mount St Benedict College
ST. EDMUND’S COLLEGE

A co-educational Catholic College in the tradition of Blessed Edmund Rice

Please join us for our
OPEN DAY MORNING
Tuesday 8th March 2016, 9.30am until 11.30am

We will commence with a welcome by our new Principal, Mr Jon Franzin, followed by an information session and a tour of our school facilities, concluding with morning tea.

St. Edmund’s, a college for teenagers with special needs, is a place of hope and success. It is a college of remarkable teenagers with a wide range of disabilities, who exude optimism, motivation and sheer joy about life.

Our aim – that they face their challenges in life and in the future, take their place in the community as adults who can make a significant contribution to society.

St. Edmund’s takes students for enrolment from a wide range of educational settings – Catholic, Department of Education and Independent sectors.

Please let us know if you will be attending by contacting our Registrar, Mrs Jackie Ralley on phone: 92 9447 1964 or email: ralley@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au

St. Edmund’s College address is 60 Burns Road, Wahroonga, with entry via Wahroonga Avenue. Parking is recommended in Shoalsea Street or Burns Road.

Girls in Year 5
Enrolling Now for Year 7 2018
Parent Information Evening for Year 7 2018
Tuesday 8 March 7pm in College Hall
Visit www.msb.nsw.edu.au for more information.
Enquiries: Mrs Narelle McClure 9910 8408. Limited parking on site.

Mount St Benedict College

449C Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills
www.msb.nsw.edu.au
Marist College North Shore

Expo Day
Saturday 5th March 2016, 10:00am - 2:00pm

Come and visit our staff and students and learn about Marist College North Shore’s integrated and comprehensive curriculum program that, for every student, promotes faith, encourages excellence, engenders responsibility and develops respect and dignity.

Currently accepting enrolments for Year 7, 2018
For an application, visit maristcollege.com or contact the Registrar on 9997 5090. Applications close 24th March 2016.

Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College
Sunday 13 MARCH
9.30am – 1.30pm

Bring the family! Discover how a Monte education can transform your daughter’s future.

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Holy Name Parish Church
35 Billyard Avenue, Wahroonga NSW 2076
Parish Priest: Fr David Ranson
Parish Secretary: Mrs Jackie Thornton
Phone: 9489 3221 Email: secretary@holynamewahroonga.com.au Website: www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

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