Dear Parents,

**Our Prouille Open Day will be held next Friday 11th March**  We look forward to welcoming pre-schoolers and their parents to our Open Day. Families enrolling their children for Kindergarten 2017 are warmly invited to a morning of activities, open classrooms, school tour, band performance and morning tea. The morning will commence at 9.30am and is expected to conclude at 11am. Enrolment information packs will be available to collect at the Open Day. If you are unable to attend please visit the school office to collect an Enrolment pack.

On Thursday, 25th February, over 175 parents attended Michael Grose’s parent talk hosted by the Diocesan Parent Council at Prouille. His focus on practical strategies always has me reading his books and blogs for sensible ways to parent. Thanks to Lauren Montgomery, our DCP representative, who assisted with the organisation.

The Welcome Event was a great success and enjoyed by all that attended. It was an enjoyable evening to meet parents whilst the very talented band played throughout the evening. I thank the wonderful parents for organising the event and for all their hard work.

Mrs Belinda Nisbett accompanied Sabrina H (Year 6 2015) and her family to a very special presentation at the ANZAC Memorial Hyde Park on Wednesday. Sabrina was the winner of the Year 5-6 category for her submission to the RSL ANZAC Art Awards. Sabrina received her award from His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley. We congratulate Sabrina on this wonderful achievement through art and thank Mrs Nisbett for her assistance and guidance.

**Reminders**

- 9 Mar      P & F Meeting (9am)
- 10 Mar     Parent Wellbeing morning in Chapel (9am-11am) with Robyn Gallagher
- 11 Mar     Open Morning (9.30am – 11.00am)
- 11 Mar     Assembly 2.30pm

Regards,

*Julie Caldwell*
UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Term 1 2016

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) with Robyn Gallagher
  ‘Refresh the Spirit’
11 Mar  Open Morning (9.30am – 11.00am)
11 Mar  Assembly 2.30pm
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
Week 10
28 Mar  Easter Monday
29 Mar  Whole school Reflection He has Risen
31 Mar  Prouille Cross Country (St Leos)
31 Mar  Polding Swimming Carnival
31 Mar  Piano lunchtime recital (Hall)
1 Apr    School Photos
1 Apr    No assembly
3 Apr    Kindergarten social event

Week 11
4 Apr    End of Term Healthy Lunch
5 Apr    Wet Weather date for Prouille Cross Country
5 Apr    Year 5 Mass Chapel (2pm)
5 Apr    Violin lunchtime recital
5 Apr    The Dish – Prouille
6 Apr    Band Concert (evening)
8 Apr    Assembly (2.30pm)
8 Apr    Last Day Term 1

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

Link to Term Dates

P & F NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended our Welcome to Prouille 2016 event, it was a hugely successful night! We loved organising the event and we trust you all had an enjoyable night.

A huge thank you to everyone who assisted in the organising, set up, clean up and helping on the night. A special thanks to the band who provided wonderful entertainment on the evening.

Thank you to all of our raffle prize donators: Pinnacle Catering, St Ives Shopping Centre, Jenolan Caves, Australian Reptile Park, Australian Museum, Taronga Zoo & Western Plains Zoo, Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre, Hotel Pennant Hills, Hornsby RSL, Maidens Brush Pharmacy (Francis Guvlekjian), Little Rugby, Little Kickers , Coco & Milo, Alison Burton, McConnell Bourn Estate Agents Wahroonga, Allen & Sheppard Real Estate, Tammie Dooling, Alto Audi Artarmon, Michael Cuda, Northcape Property, Fernwood and the Graham Family.

The selection and quality of prizes was fantastic! Our ticket sales raised over $2,000 for P&F funds which will go towards improvements in our playground and technology in our classrooms.

Congratulations to all our raffle winners, enjoy your prizes.

Kelly Rowling and Ange Chappel

P & F Meeting All parents and friends are welcome to join us on Wednesday 9th March, 9-10am for our first P&F meeting for 2016. There is child-minding, provided by Cathy from Water St Kids available if you need it. Please see note later in the newsletter or contact Rebecca if you have any questions – lucafamily8@outlook.com We hope to see you there.
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 last Friday containing the Sale Form Term 1 2016. Please note, the form must be returned no later than Monday 14th 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.
POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

During Week 7 Term 1 our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus at school (and home) is:

- At Prouille it is WELLBEING WEEK Mindfulness Monday, Trumpeting Tuesday, Wonderful Wednesday, Thankful Thursday, Fun Friday

Link to PBL Scope and Sequence 2016

LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS

Elmo Emu loves Mathematics at Prouille!

EMU EXPRESS - Term 1 Week 6  The Elmo Emu Express is back in 2016!

Click on link Week 6 Challenge and congratulations to students who worked on wonderful solutions to the last challenge

Elmo Emu Express can also be found on our school website under the Learning and Teaching Tab—Mathematics. 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. There is also a “What’s New in Technology for Mathematics Learning?” This includes websites with lots of fun games that can be played on the computer and suggested applications for iPads and tablets for children’s mathematical learning.

Please encourage your child/children to complete these activities at home each fortnight.

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) 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 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

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
WELLBEING NEWS

Wellbeing for Parents
Thursday 10th March 9am to 11am in Chapel

Link to RSVP

Mother’s Day Stall
Link to Mother’s Day Stall order form.
Please return form by Thursday 24th March.

SPORTS NEWS

Broken Bay Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to Molly M, Jordan F, PJ M, Boston P, James M who have made it through to the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival. Our Junior Relay Team is Boston P, PJ M, James M and Jordan F.

The Carnival will be held on Tuesday 8th March at Mingara.

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

OFFICE NEWS

Lost Property
The following items can be collected from the school office: reading glasses (purple frame) and keys (white rope keyring). These items were found on Water Street. The following items are from the biggest playdate and swimming carnival: Patty pan tray & cover, large cake container, I love Malta towel, Rooster towel, green towel, striped towel, t-shirt, white leggings and a green ball.
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 for March 2016 via the link 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.

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wednesday is School Banking

Link to school banking

COMMUNITY NEWS

Water Street Netball The registration process is almost complete – team managers will be receiving their team lists shortly and will be in touch with the teams.

Thank you to the Committee for your work getting the Season started

The first day of play will be 2 April – the first Saturday after Easter.

Can all new families please go to the Water Street Netball Facebook page and join – we put up a lot of important information esp. about wet weather there.

I will also be sending a note to the Kindy families about the NetSetGo program for them which will run in second term.

Mary Weaver - President

Cambodia Bike Ride: Fundraising Thank you Liv, Yvette and Charlotte would like to say a huge thank you to all the Year 1 and other families who came to the Family Mass last Sunday and enjoyed their yummy cupcakes!

The girls raised $587. We still have some pre-made Hair Ribbons – they do make the girls hair look very smart for school – and so easy!

Please contact me on 0417867148 if you would like to but some packs - we can do any colour

Hello Footy Families

It was great to see a lot of new faces at Prouille for Registration Day. For the tardy amongst us, please hit www.ProuilleFC.com.au, hover over the 'competitions' menu - then choose 'registration' - and while you are in your browser - make sure you find Prouille FC on Facebook!

This coming Sunday 6th March is our Orientation Day at Carrington Oval:

- 10am: we will be kicking off with the U6 kids (wear boots and shin pads)
- 10.45 am: u7
- 11.30: u8
- 12.15: u9
- 12.45pm: u10
The G16 team is already up and running so no need to schedule for Orientation Day - however more girls are needed: turning 14, 15, or 16 in 2016, just drop me a note. Please bring some cash as Prouille FC gear will be available for sale, and if the moons align we may even have a coffee van.

Do not hesitate to contact our Registrar (Mr Pat Burton - registrar@prouillesoccer.com.au) should you have any registration based questions, or Piers (VP@prouillesoccer.com.au) for Coaching topics.

Don’t forget that Prouille FC is a community football club, fielding teams in the Wahroonga area for 20 years - so please grab your neighbours, grab your mates, and get them on board!

Season 2016 - bring it on!

Michael Trinder  Outgoing President, Prouille FC  Mo: 0406 753 029, President@prouillesoccer.com.au
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A co-educational Catholic College in the tradition of Blessed Edmund Rice to
provide quality education for boys and girls with a wide range of disabilities —
Catholic, Department of Education and Independent sectors.

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, in a place of hope and success.
It is a college of remarkable teenagers with a wide range of disabilities, who exhibit
optimism, motivation and shine 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, Mr Jack O’Reilly
on phone: 83 9497 684 or email: 83 9497 699

St. Edmund’s College address: 60 Burrey Road, Wahroonga, with entry via Wahroonga Avenue. Parking is recommended in Princes Street or Burrey 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.
Copright: Mrs Noreen McClen 2015.
Limited parking on site.

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