PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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13th February 2019 **Week 3 Term 1**

Dear Parents,

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

Historically, St. Valentine served as the Bishop of Terni, a small city in the heart of Italy, during the third century. Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than married or engaged men, so he outlawed marriage or engagement for young couples. Realising the injustice of this law, Valentine secretly married young couples. As soon as Claudius found out about Valentine's activities, he had Valentine jailed and beaten; later he was sentenced to death and beheaded on February 14, 270A.D.

THANK YOU

Thank you for supporting and attending our Parent Information Night last Monday evening. It was great to welcome so many parents. I would also like to thank the teachers for the time and effort they put into preparing these valuable presentations. If you were unable to attend please see your child's class teacher in order to obtain the necessary information.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our "Commencement Mass" on Tuesday. I especially wish to thank Miss Russell and the teachers for organising such a beautiful liturgy. Also thank you Fr. David Ranson for such a memorable mass to commence the Educational Year of 2019!

Thank you to the Year 5 and 6 parents and students for organising a very successful welcome afternoon and cake stall. Thank you also to our very generous community for supporting this event.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED SCHOOL LEADERS:

School Captains:
Georgia Luca, Jonah Lee

Vice Captains:
Olivia Moait, Riley Crowe

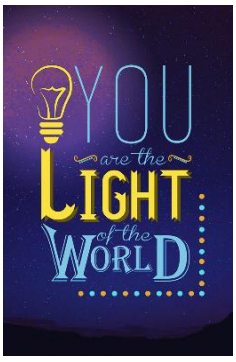
SRC Executive:
Erika Colliton

Mission Leaders:
Isabella Ringrose, Mia Banfield

Information Technology:
Audrey Yan, Aiden Hallam

Library & Music Leaders:
Alejandra Carrillo, Matthew Floresta

Environment Leaders:
Simone Thake, Ally Habgood



Crawford House Captains:
Chloe Wallace, Joshua Monardo

O'Brien House Captains:
Lily Carolan, Charlotte Gibson

Jennings House Captains:
Holly Paull, Noah Bryant

Rawlings House Captains:
Natalia Alvarez Lopez, Noah Hayes

ROAD SAFETY

Parents can I please remind you to be aware of the road rules and not make U-turns in front of the school during morning drop off and afternoon pick-up procedures. Please do not drive into neighbours' driveways to turn around. It is imperative that we keep all members of our community safe especially, our children.

Please do not exit in the afternoon via the driveway where cars enter and exit as this is very dangerous.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Monday 18th February is our Swimming Carnival which will be held at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. The Carnival is for students in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6. The children will commence departing by bus at 9:00am. The Carnival commences at 9:30am. The children will return by bus at 2:00pm. Please join us for a day of good sportsmanship and team spirit.

Go **Jennings**, **O'Brien**, **Rawlings** and **Crawford**!!!!

Thank you to all those parents who offered to help out at the Carnival. All parents who have been allocated a job will be informed.

Parents could you please return your forms indicating your "going home" arrangements for your child/children after the Carnival. Please be aware that once arrangements are made they cannot be changed as it affects our booking for the buses.

SPORTS UNIFORM

Students will wear sports uniforms on the days listed below.

Kinder Kangaroo	Tuesday, Wednesday
Kinder Koala	Wednesday, Friday
1 Rosella	Tuesday, Wednesday
2 Wombat	Tuesday, Wednesday
2 Emu	Wednesday, Friday
3 Platypus	Wednesday, Friday
4 Kookaburra	Wednesday, Friday
4/5 Echidna	Wednesday, Friday
6 Wallaby	Wednesday, Friday

P&F GENERAL MEETING

Our first P&F Meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th February in the School Library @ 7.00pm. Everybody is welcome to attend.

Congratulations to all the children who received awards last week

CLASS	
K Kangaroo	Max Richards, Aria Stephens
K Koala	Olivia Wang, Patrick Mouawad
1 Rosella	Georgia Kelly, James Whitby, Luke Ringrose
2 Wombat	Grace King, Alfred Mina
2 Emu	Olivia Davie, Josie Cardiff
3 Platypus	Olivia Wong, Thomas Arnold
4 Kookaburra	Lucy Jenkins, Matthew Ringrose
4/5 Echidna	Justin Wong, Isabella Holland-Lopez
6 Wallaby	Georgia Luca, Erika Colliton

Yours sincerely
Ms. Sue Bevan
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Special Dates for your Diary

Friday 15th February

- Assembly 2.30pm -Kindergarten 2019 to be introduced

Monday 18th February

- **Swimming Carnival**

This will be held at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. Students will commence departing by bus at 9.00am. The Carnival begins at 9.30am. This Carnival is for all students in Years 1- 6. The younger students will depart by bus at 9.30am. Non-swimmers and younger children will have the opportunity to participate in "Non-swimmer" and 25metre races.

All students must:

- Wear their sports uniform with their costume underneath
  They can wear a T-shirt of their colour house
- Wear a hat and sunscreen
- Bring their lunch and water
- **DO NOT BRING STREAMERS** as they are prohibited by the Aquatic Centre

- **Kindergarten's** fun Water Day @ school.

Wednesday 20th February

- P& F General Meeting at 7.00pm in Library

Saturday 23rd February

- Welcome Event at Magpies 7.00pm

Monday 25th February

- **School Photos**

Friday 1st March

- Assembly at 2.30pm:
  Presentation of Swimming Champions and announcement of North Shore Cluster Swimming Carnival team. Merit awards and birthdays.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Leadership

Congratulations to the Year 6 class of 2019 and their new leadership roles.

A good leader has certain qualities including honesty, fairness, communication, confidence and positivity. I know from working with these students last year that they all have these great leadership skills and will be fantastic leaders for Prouille this year.

DEEP LEARNING MATHS ACTIVITIES TO PLAY AT HOME

Modify a Classic Card Game

Together, grab two decks of cards. Cards have the following values:

- Ace — 1
- Two to 10 — Face value
- Jack — 11
- Queen — 12
- King — 13

The rules of the game will depend on the age of your child. Each player will always play two cards at a time, but younger children must subtract the lower number from the higher. Older students can multiply the numbers, designating a certain suit as having negative integers. Whoever has the highest hand wins all four cards.

Have a great week

Karen Townsend
Assistant Principal
Karen Townsend

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE NEWS

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to what will truly be a blessed 'Year of Faith'! I trust you've had a rejuvenating break and are very much looking forward to our year ahead.

SRC Representatives – Assembly this Friday 15th February @ 2:30pm (Veritas Hall)

At our Assembly in Week 3, we will be presenting the chosen Term 1 SRC Class Representatives with their badges. We are extending the opportunity to be an SRC Representative by voting in a different child each term. This will see us congratulate and involve 4 children per class, per year.

We will keep you informed as to what students have been chosen as exemplars of our school rule; **'At Prouille, we are Respectful, Responsible Learners.'**

Reconciliation Parent Information Evening – Tuesday 5th March, 7-9pm Veritas Hall

Our Holy Name Parish Sacramental Coordinator, Sally Oong, will be facilitating an information evening for parents of children who will be making their Reconciliation from **Year 3 (and up)**. There will be a delightful cuppa for you, too! Sally will be discussing the process and important dates that will be coming up in preparation for this sacrament. We hope to see you there!

Ash Wednesday – Wednesday 6th March (Week 6)

In Week 6, we will be initiating our Lent Season as well as our Project Compassion mission.

For **Years 3-6**, classes will be attending **Holy Name Church** to take part in the **9:15am Parish Mass.**

For **Years K-2**, classes will attend a Liturgy (lead by Year 1) **in Veritas Hall at 9:15am**.

As always, parents and friends are welcome to join us! If the weather is not conducive to our walk down to the Church, Stages 2 and 3 will join our K-2 Liturgy in Veritas Hall. We will alert parents to this change if it occurs.

PLENARY COUNCIL

We invite you to join one of our Prouille Plenary sessions.

PlenaryCouncil2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"
YOUR VOICE IS IMPORTANT

Your experience of faith and the Church is important. **All** people are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church. Read about how you can #shareyourstory at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.

Lock in this date:

PLENARY SESSION

DATE: Wednesday 27th February 2019
TIME: Morning Session 9:00-10:00am
Afternoon Session 2:00pm-3.00pm
VENUE: Prouille Chapel

Just so we have an idea of numbers, would you please **RSVP by Wednesday 20th February**, 2019 via the Prouille School Office Email: prouille@dbb.catholic.edu.au

The Light is on!

The Light is On is an initiative where Catholic churches are open for quiet prayer and Reconciliation on certain evenings during Lent.

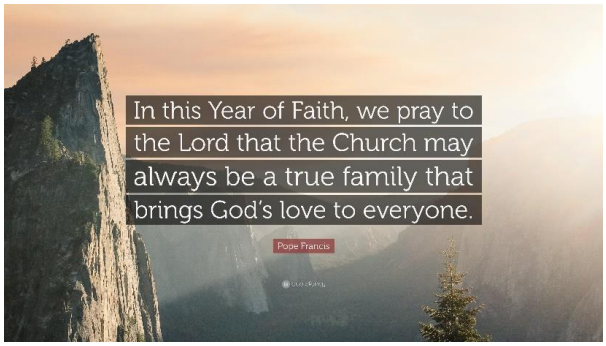
In Lent 2019, parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay will be open during Lent for prayer and Reconciliation on Fridays **7pm - 8pm on 8, 15, 22, 24 March** and **5, 12 April 2019**.

Liturgical Ministries at Holy Name

Children who celebrated their First Communion last year are invited to come forward and become an altar server. They will be trained by **Chris Goldrick**, along with others who come forward from the 'invitation' to the parish. Then, once trained and given some experience, they'll be able to help lead us in our beautiful School Masses. You can either send Sally Oong an email (sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au) or get in contact with Chris through the church (see note attached).

Quote of the Week

This week, we are particularly focus on the Year of Faith and the possibilities it brings when we are asked to be disciples of Jesus in our daily lives. Love is in the air!



Wishing you blessings and joy,
Jessica Russell
Religious Education Coordinator

LITURGICAL MINISTRES AT HOLY NAME

The Ministry at Mass that I would like to undertake in 2019 is

_____

Name:

Contact Number:

Email:

Preference for my time on a Monthly Roster:

	Sat 5pm	Sun 9.15am	Sun 5.30pm
Week 1			
Week 2			
Week 3			
Week 4			
Week 5			

Please Return to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday 19 February.
Our new rosters will take effect on the 1st weekend of March.

Would you like to undertake one of our liturgical ministries at the Mass you attend?

We are in the process of updating our rosters for 2019!

Would you like to participate as:

- A Reader?
- An Acolyte?
- A Junior or Senior Server?
- A Eucharistic Minister?
- A Collector?
- Someone who welcomes people at the door before Mass?
- Someone who assists with Morning Tea on a Sunday morning?
- Someone to write the Sunday General Intercessions for Mass

Music at Prouille

STRINGS

In addition to our fantastic band and piano programs, **this week** we are excited to be starting Prouille's string programe for its second year.

We have now almost double the number of students playing Violin and Cello in the school, so we are looking forward to seeing some wonderful performances this year.

As our numbers have grown, we are introducing and welcoming **Ms Helen Byrne** and **Ms Lidia Bara**, two exceptional instrumentalists and teachers to join our staff here at Prouille.

Choir

This term starts a new timetable for the **Prouille School Choir**.

We will no longer have a choir that rehearses before school. **Rehearsals will occur once every two weeks during a 40-minute period on Friday during class time.**

As this is a unique opportunity, we are limiting the number of the choir to 30 students from years 3-6. If a student was in the choir regularly during term 4 last year, they automatically are offered a spot.

Auditions for the other members will be happening next week on Tuesday 19th February, and TBA if more time is needed.

Dominic Meagher (Music Teacher)

P&F WELCOME COCKTAIL PARTY

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We hope you have all purchased your cocktail party tickets for the Welcome Event. Tickets are still available for purchase through the QKR! App.

Raffle Prize Sales
We have amazing prizes to raffle off this year at our welcome party! Raffle tickets will be sold on the night as well as pre-sales on both Thursday and Friday mornings before school this week and next week- cash sales only.

Raffle Prize Donations
Thank you to those community members who have donated prizes from various companies. Where possible, we like to garner the support of organisations and businesses from our local community.
We are looking for donated goods/experiences to be raffled off at the Welcome Event.
As one of the generous supporters of our school, your company name will be advertised throughout the raffle, and in the newsletter which will be issued to all of the families who currently utilise our school services. We will also acknowledge and publish to the school community, all contributors again at the end of the year.

If you are able to donate goods or vouchers to be used as raffle prizes, please contact Alison: pmgarg@optusnet.com.au

We thank you in advance!

Looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday 23rd February!

Reconciliation and First Eucharist 2019

Enrolment link: https://www.trybooking.com/465464

Reconciliation

Eligibility: Candidates must be seven years of age or older (Year 3). Reconciliation is celebrated after Confirmation and before First Eucharist.

Parents' Welcome and Information Evening
Tuesday 5th March 7pm to 9pm in the Veritas Hall
at Prouille School, 5 Water St, Wahroonga
This is a compulsory information
evening for parents, which includes refreshments.

Group Leaders' Training:
Tuesday 12 March, 7pm, Prouille School library,

Sacramental Preparation Groups:
Parent/Carer and child at Prouille School on:
- **Saturday, 16 March at 3.45pm**
- **Saturday, 23 March at 3.45pm**
- **Saturday, 30 March at 3.45pm**

followed by attendance at **5pm Mass** each Saturday at Holy Name Church.

Celebration of Reconciliation (Confession):
at Holy Name Church,
35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga.
on
Tuesday 2nd April
at either 5.15pm or 6.30pm

In addition to the Group lessons, there will be homework, reflections for parents and children and special rituals at the weekly masses.
We shall print your child's name in the Parish bulletin and Sacrament booklet and would also like to display their photo in the Church during this time.
Please prepare a photo of your child for the pin-up display sheet or email a photo to the co-ordinator, Sally Oong.

First Communion

Eligibility: Candidates must be seven years of age or older (Year 3+).
Confirmation and Reconciliation must be celebrated before First Eucharist.

Parents' Welcome and Information Evening:
Tuesday 30 April, 7-9pm in the Veritas Hall at Prouille School.
This is a compulsory information evening for parents, which includes refreshments.

Group Leaders' Training: (Leaders only)
Tuesday 7 May, 7pm Prouille School Library, 5 Water St, Wahroonga

Sacramental Preparation Groups:
Parent/Carer and child at Prouille School on:
1. Saturday, 11 May at 3.45pm
2. Saturday, 18 May at 3.45pm
3. Saturday, 25 May at 3.45pm

followed by attendance at **5pm Mass** each Saturday at Holy Name Church.

First Eucharist (Communion) Sacrament:
Saturday 1st June, 5pm Mass at Church
OR Sunday 2nd June, 9.15am Mass at Church

Celebration of First Eucharist:
at Holy Name Church, 35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga.

Practice: Wednesday 29th May.

Parent helpers are needed for many roles during the Reconciliation and First Eucharist program and all offers of assistance are deeply appreciated. Please email Sally Oong at sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au or call the church office on 9489 3221 .

COMMUNITY NEWS

Since 1962, **Wahroonga Rugby Club** has encouraged boys and girls to learn and play Rugby Union from the ages of **Under 6** to **Under 18.**

Minis teams (U6-U9) play 'tag' rugby in U6 and U7, progressing to tackle rugby in U8 as they develop skills. There is no competition ladder in Minis rugby, teams are not graded – it's all about developing skills and having fun. Minis teams train on Friday afternoons and games are played on Saturday mornings.

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Juniors teams (U10-U18) are graded and compete against similarly graded teams in the Sydney Juniors Rugby Union (SJRU) competition. U10-U12 play games on Friday nights or Sundays and U13-U18 play on a Sunday – good to know when a large number of kids in our area already play sport on a Saturday for school.

Our Clubhouse provides a wonderful facility for club meetings and events and is a terrific place to socialise with your fellow Tigers. On Friday nights during the season, the **Tiger Tavern** serves bottled beer and wine and the canteen is open for food, snacks and soft drinks. Many of our parents catch up on a Friday night at the Tavern while cheering on the Tigers from our clubhouse balcony.

For more details visit wahroongarugby.com.au or contact Club Registrar Helen Tunks on 0423 692 654 or registrar@wahroongarugby.com.au

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