



PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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31st July 2019

Week 2

Term 3

Dear Parents,

ST. DOMINIC

Born in old Castile, Spain, he was trained for the priesthood by a priest-uncle, studied the arts and theology, and became a canon of the cathedral at Osma, where there was an attempt to revive the apostolic common life described in the Acts of the Apostles.

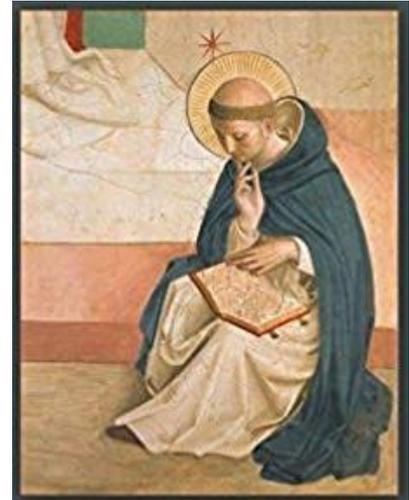
On a journey through France with his bishop, he came face to face with the then virulent Albigensian heresy at Languedoc. The Albigensians (Cathari, "the pure") held to two principles - one good, one evil - in the world. All matter is evil - hence they denied the Incarnation and sacraments. On the same principle, they abstained from procreation and took a minimum of food and drink. The inner circle led what some people regarded as a heroic life of purity and asceticism not shared by ordinary followers.

Dominic sensed the need for the Church to combat this heresy, and was commissioned to be part of the preaching crusade against it. He saw immediately why the preaching was not succeeding: the ordinary people admired and followed the ascetical heroes of the Albigenses. Understandably, they were not impressed by the Catholic preachers who travelled with horse and retinues, stayed at the best inns and had servants. Dominic therefore, with three Cistercians, began itinerant preaching according to the gospel ideal. He continued this work for 10 years, being successful with the ordinary people but not with the leaders.

His fellow preachers gradually became a community and in 1215 he founded a religious house at Toulouse, the beginning of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans).

His ideal, and that of his Order, was to link organically a life with God, study, and prayer in all forms, with a ministry of salvation to people by the word of God. His ideal: *contemplata tradere*: "to pass on the fruits of contemplation" or "to speak only of God or with God."

This Friday we will come together to celebrate the feast day of St. Dominic and reflect on the Dominican values of *justice, truth, knowledge, community, creation, beauty, individuality, prayer, joyfulness and peace*.



Happy St. Dominic's Day!

This year Prouille will celebrate St. Dominic's Day for a whole week. We will have our Athletics Carnival on St. Dominic's actual feast day. We will celebrate on our Colour Run Day on Wednesday 7th August and then at our Tamone Cup Netball Match on Friday 9th August.

St. Dominic's Day will be a real day of contemplation, reflection and celebration for the whole Prouille Community as is outlined in the day's program.



P&F MEETING/INFORMATION NIGHT

You are invited to attend the P&F General Meeting on Wednesday 31st July. The meeting will commence at 7.00pm in the **Prouille Library**. Everybody is most welcome!

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Annually we have run a very successful public speaking program across the whole school. This year we have decided to implement a few changes to give our program 'a little boost'.

Children from each class will all present their speeches on the one day. Their audience will be one or two other classes and of course, parents and friends. Each child will receive a certificate.



Timetable

| Week | Monday | Wednesday |
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| 3 | 5/8/19- Yr. 6 @ 9.00am | |
| 4 | 12/8/19 – Yr.4/ 5 @ 9.00am | |
| 5 | 19/8/19 – Yr. 4 @ 9.00am | 21/8/19- Yr. 3 @ 9.00am |
| 6 | | 28/8/19- Yr. 2 Emu @ 9.00am |
| 7 | 2/9/19- Yr. 2 Wombat @ 9.00am | 4/9/19- Yr. 1 @ 9.00am |
| 8 | 9/9/19 - K Kangaroo @ 9.00am | 11/9/19- K Koala @ 9.00am |

Our Prouille Public Speaking Finals will be held on Monday 16th September. Years 3-6 will be held from 9.00am and Years K-2 will be held from 2.00pm.

Allocated Time for Speech

| | |
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| Kindergarten and Year 1 | 1 minute |
| Years 2, 3, 4 | 1 ½ to 2 minutes |
| Year 5 | 2 to 2 ½ minutes |
| Year 6 | 3 minutes |

To allow the children to all speak within the hour available it is essential that every child keeps to the allocated time.

Topics

Our Year 6 students might like to use their speeches that they prepared for the **Diocesan Public Speaking Competition**.

All other children will be able to choose their own topic. Our theme for this year is:

“Everyone Has a Story to Tell”

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday 2nd August @ Bannockburn Oval.

Fingers crossed the weather will remain fantastic for Prouille's Athletics Carnival on Friday at Bannockburn Oval. Thank you to Laura Munce and her many volunteers to ensuring our day is a great success.

The following will occur

- K-2: Cake Stall
- 3-4: BBQ
- 5-6: Canteen

There will be a sausage sizzle which our very generous sponsor - 'Skope Constructions' who has kindly donated \$300 towards.

We are extremely grateful to Skope Constructions! A coffee cart has been organised for 8:30am. Cake stall will commence at 10.00am followed by the BBQ at 10.30am.

Let us commence a group prayer to St. Dominic for sunshine on Friday.

The Athletics Carnival will commence at 9.20am and concludes at @ 2.00pm for ALL students.



ST. DOMINIC'S DAY CELEBRATIONS at PROUILLE



On Wednesday 7th August join in the St. Dominic's Day celebrations @ Prouille School Wahroonga. Everybody is welcome to attend as this is a Prouille School Community Event. This year we are taking a healthy approach and participating in a colour run.

The colour run is open to all children. If you have allergies you can still participate as there will be a circuit for you that caters to your needs that will have the same level of fun, surprises and excitement.

You will need a light coloured preferably white T-shirt and shorts or trackpants and runners.

Make sure you can get messy in these clothes. You can wear goggles or sun glasses if you wish.

9.30am We will gather in the Veritas Hall for a St. Dominic's Day Liturgy

10.00am We will take a look at the obstacle course and run through expectations together

10.30am Whole School Health Hustle

10.50am Recess

11.15am COLOUR RUN BEGINS

The colour run will be organised in special group formations e.g. medical requirements, ages, with buddies, parents etc.

1.10pm PICNIC LUNCH with whole school community in the playground. Each child brings their own lunch. Parents to join in.

2.10pm Classroom Activities.

If children wish to go home after lunch it is permissible. I would advise to bring an old towel to sit on if you are travelling by car.

If children are staying at school they will need to bring a change of clothes and a plastic bag to put their colour run clothes into.

Don't forget to get your sponsors and register them on your student profile page at schoolfundraising.com.au

ASSEMBLY

Due to the Athletics Carnival this Friday there will be **no school assembly** in the afternoon. We will hold a special assembly where we will announce Athletic Carnival awards, merit awards and birthday certificates on **Thursday 8th August at 2.30pm.**

NSW PREMIER'S READING

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their NSW Premier's Reading Challenge:

K- Abigail Jordaan

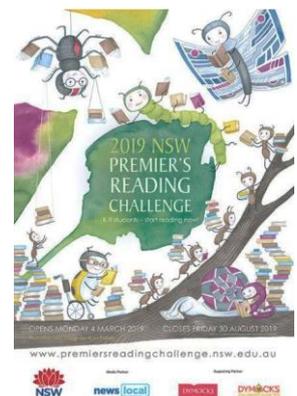
Year 1 - Nicholas Hanley

Year 2 - Olivia Davie, Charlotte Littleford, Emily Littleford, Emma Murray

Year 4 - Lily Banfield, Xanthe Hawkins, Molly Sheppard

Year 5 - Faith Chitanda, Katelyn Pepper

Year 6 - Noah Hayes, Jonah Lee, Georgia Luca.



STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Friday 28th September will be a Staff Development Day. There will be **no school** for children on this day.

Congratulations to all the children who received awards last week

| CLASS | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| K Kangaroo | Aarush Vekaria, Allegra Polselli |
| K Koala | Isaac Holland Lopez, Rose Sheppard |
| 1 Rosella | Aurelia Bell, Hannah O'Leary, Will Groom |
| 2 Wombat | Harley Webb, Max Quilkey |
| 2 Emu | Annie Sheppard, Druvik Kotelawele |
| 3 Platypus | Eli Edmunds, James Bull |
| 4 Kookaburra | Violet Nimmo, Nalini Mudbidri |
| 4/5 Echidna | Lily Smith, Molly Sheppard, Arjuna Kotelawele |
| 6 Wallaby | Lily Carolan, Matthew Floresta |



STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Mia Hill, Yr. 1 Rosella who is our Star of the Week. Please visit the school walkway to see Mia's fabulous work!

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Special Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 31st July

- P&F Mtg. in School Library @ 7.00pm

Friday 2nd August

- **St. Dominic's Day**
- Athletic's Carnival @ Bannockburn Carnival
NO AFTERNOON ASSEMBLY

Monday 5th August

- Yr. 6 Public Speaking @ 9.00am

Tuesday 6th August

- Confirmation Information Evening Veritas Hall @ 7.00pm

Wednesday 7th August

- **St. Dominic's Day Celebrations & Colour Run**

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Thursday 8th August

- Special Assembly @ 2.30pm

Friday 9th August

- Tamone Cup - Netball Match

POP-UP PLAYGROUP



Thank you to all the parents and children who managed to make it to our pop-up playgroup on Wednesday 24th July. We were inundated with 20 enthusiastic children. The children had fun playing, interacting and getting to know each other. We hope to see you at our next pop-up playgroup on Friday 16th August.

Yours sincerely

Sue Bevan

Ms. Sue Bevan
PRINCIPAL

CHILDREN
creating and connecting...

FAMILIES
belonging and learning...

TEACHERS
listening and supporting...

COMMUNITIES
growing and collaborating...

**“LEARNING TOGETHER”
PLAYGROUPS**

- ✓ FACILITATED BY EARLY LEARNING EDUCATORS
- ✓ STIMULATING PLAY AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES
- ✓ FRIENDLY AND INCLUSIVE - ALL WELCOME

PROVILLE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, WAHROONGA

ALL SESSIONS: 9.00 - 10.30AM

Term 2: Monday 13th May and Tuesday 20th May

Term 3: Wednesday 24th July, Friday 16th August and Thursday 22nd August

MEET IN THE SCHOOL HALL:
5 Water Street, Wahroonga 2076
Morning tea provided

Like more information?
Phone: 9489 3233 or email: proville@dbc.catholic.edu.au

ALL PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND CARERS ARE WELCOME - NO RSVP REQUIRED

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 3. We have a lot of exciting learning planned for this term including book week, coding classes, school musical just to name a few. To ensure that your child is settled in class and ready to learn each day, it is your responsibility as the parent, to ensure your child consistently arrives to school on time.

Compulsory School Attendance: Information for parents

WHAT ARE MY LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES AS A PARENT?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for home schooling. Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents!

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS TO BE AWAY FROM SCHOOL?

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- Exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral).

Following an absence from school **you must ensure that within 7 days** you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence. Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

TRAVEL

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

God Bless

Karen Townsend

Karen Townsend
Assistant Principal



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE NEWS

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to Term 3. We hope that you all had a wonderful break with your family and friends!

We are well and truly moving through this year, with many exciting experiences coming up in the next few weeks.

SRC FOR TERM 3 – EXCITING TIMES AHEAD!

Our classes are currently in the midst of voting for their next SRC Class Representative for Term 3. A note will be sent home by/on **Wednesday 7th August** to notify the parents of chosen students (we have some very keen and excited students who are determined to be part of this initiative – I am so proud of all of our enthusiastic contributors!!).

All of our Term 3 SRC members will be acknowledged at our afternoon Assembly in Week 4 (due to our Athletics Carnival in Week 2 and Annual Tamone Trophy Netball Match in Week 3), Friday 16th August, 2019.



We look forward to acknowledging them for their appointments!

Parents vs. Year 6 Annual Tamone Trophy Netball Match – Friday 9th August (Term 3, Week 3)

St Dominic's Day at Prouille is coming up on **Wednesday 7th August**. It will be a day filled with colour, community, laughs and fun as we navigate our way through the festivities. Thank you to all who have been instrumental in organising this exciting day!!

Thank you in advance to our Mission Leaders, too, who will be conducting a Dominican Prayer with us to acknowledge The Feast of St Dominic at our Athletics Carnival on **Friday 2nd August**.

A beautiful liturgy will initiate our St Dominic's Day festivities at 9:30am run by children of Year 3 and Mrs Davidson.

A St Dominic's Day at Prouille is not complete without our annual Tamone Trophy Netball Match which will be held on **Friday 9th August**...so a BIG thank you to all our Year 6 parents who have jumped on the bandwagon ready to have some fun with their children!



We thank Jacinta McGrath (a past student of Prouille) who will be ready to umpire, too!! ☺ It will be a fun-filled match!

Match kicks off straight after lunch (at 2:10pm) but if you would like to get a good spot, we recommend a 2pm arrival time.

YEAR 5 HOSTED FAMILY MASS – SUNDAY 11TH AUGUST

Year 5 will be hosting the Family Mass on Sunday 11th August @ 9:15am at Holy Name Church. As always, it's a great opportunity for the community to get together...we hope you can make it!



WHOLE SCHOOL FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASS

@ Holy Name Church – Thursday 15th August (Week 4, Term 3)

We will be having our Whole School Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption at Holy Name Church at 11:30am. Fr David Ranson and/or Fr Anselam will be presiding and St Edmund's College will be joining and participating with us.

Thank you to Terry O'Keefe (St Edmund's College Coordinator of Religious Identity and Mission) for preparing the St Edmund's children for their roles.



All are very welcome to attend!

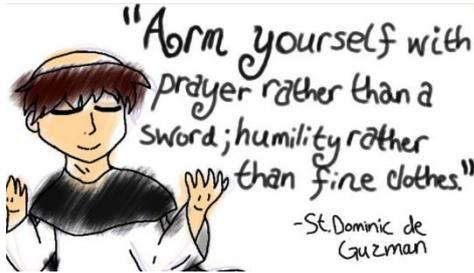
CONFIRMATION INFORMATION – Mrs Sally Oong (Parish Sacramental Coordinator)

Our Confirmation Sacramental Program will begin with a Parent Information session coming up in **Week 3 on Tuesday 6th August** at 7pm in Veritas Hall. We are so excited to begin this journey with the children and families.



Quote of the Week

This week, we focus on the **beautiful words of our Patron Saint, Saint Dominic...**
We also keep in our prayers, Saint Mary MacKillop, whose Feast Day is on the 8th August...



Warm regards,

Jessica Russell

Religious Education Coordinator

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT

Children's Sacramental Program 2019

Holy Name Catholic Parish, 35 Billyard Avenue, Wahroonga
Mass Times at Holy Name Church: Saturday Vigil at 5.00pm;
Sunday 9.15am and 5.30pm



In our Diocese of Broken Bay, Confirmation is celebrated before First Reconciliation (Confession/Penance) and First Eucharist.

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised and be seven years of age or older (Year 2 minimum).

Parents' Evening: **Compulsory attendance by one parent/carer (not children)
Tuesday 6th August, 7-9pm in the Prouille School Hall, 5 Water Street, Wahroonga.**

This is a compulsory evening for one parent or carer, not for children (unless you need to bring them in order to attend). Please email to the Sacramental Program co-ordinator, Sally Oong, at sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au: a copy of the candidate's Baptismal Certificate and a photo for display in the church. Please enrol your child online before this evening, or ASAP afterwards. Your child's chosen Saint's Name and Sponsor can be advised later.

Enrolment

Please enrol and pay online. The link for enrolment is <https://www.trybooking.com/BDRZI>
Saint's Names: <http://www.catholic.org/saints/stindex.php> Please contact Sally if you need help.

Please **email** a copy of your Child's Baptism Certificate to Sally.

Group Leaders' Training: Group Leaders only – (*Leaders will be decided at the Parents' Evening*)

Tuesday 13 August, 7pm, Prouille School – i.e. for parents who can help by leading/facilitating a group, not 'teaching' the lessons. Sally will confirm venue (i.e. school or church sunroom).

Sacramental Preparation Groups: ALL COMPULSORY for the candidate and a parent/carer.
These are held at Prouille School on:

1. **Saturday, 17 August at 3.30pm, followed by 5pm Mass at church.**
2. **Saturday, 24 August at 3.45pm, followed by 5pm Mass at church.**
3. **Saturday, 31 August at 3.45pm, followed by 5pm Mass at church.**

Each week, it is also compulsory to attend the 5pm Saturday Mass.

Practice: 7pm, Wednesday, 4th September, 2019. **Compulsory attendance**



Celebration of Confirmation: FRIDAY 6th September at 7.00pm Mass at Holy Name Church.

If you cannot be present at the Parents' Evening, please contact the Sacramental Preparation Co-ordinator, Mrs Sally Oong at sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au, or via the Parish Office on 9489 3221 **prior** to 6th August to make alternative arrangements.

The Holy Name Parish website is www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

Prayer: As your child prepares for Confirmation, here is a prayer you can share with the entire family.

A Parent's Prayer

Loving God,
You are the giver of all we possess,
the source of all of our blessings.
We thank and praise you.

Thank you for the gift of our children.

Help us to set boundaries for them,
and yet encourage them to explore.
Give us the strength and courage to treat
each day as a fresh start.

May our children come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow
in faith, hope, and love,
so they may know peace, truth, and goodness.

May their ears hear your voice.
May their eyes see your presence in all things.
May their lips proclaim your word.
May their hearts be your dwelling place.
May their hands do works of charity.
May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord.
Amen

Parental Commitment

- ★ To attend the weekly classes with your child. Be at the Hall *ready to start* by 3.30pm first week, and *ready to start* by 3.45pm in weeks 2 and 3. Leave time to park and walk.
- ★ To support the Group Leader by adding to the discussions and participating in lessons, not just expecting the Leader to ‘teach’ your child.
- ★ To be at 5pm Mass with your child each Saturday of the programme.
- ★ To pray with your child at home, bring their “My Missal” to Mass and follow the words along with the Mass. Use the weekly “Our Sunday Celebration” leaflet for the readings.
- ★ To read the *Confirmation* Booklet and complete the activities at home during the week.
- ★ To talk to your child about the program and complete the ‘homework’ during the week, ready for the next lesson.
- ★ To reflect seriously about the preparation for and celebration of this Sacrament with your child and also enjoy sharing every step on this faith journey with them.
- ★ Please communicate with Sally regarding any relevant issues, in a timely manner: hnwsally@gmail.com is the best email.

SCHOOL NEWS

PARENT HELP NEEDED FOR ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

FRIDAY 2nd August 2019



Prouille P&F will be running the Cake Stall, Sausage Sizzle and Cold Drinks & Snacks stall at the Athletics Carnival on Friday 2nd August. So please ensure your children bring plenty of change so they can enjoy all the food and refreshments on offer throughout the day!

WE NEED LOTS OF PARENT HELPERS TO LEND A HAND ON THE STALLS. IF YOU CAN SPARE SOME TIME (in between cheering on your kids!) PLEASE EMAIL YOUR YEAR CO-ORDINATOR WITH YOUR NAME AND THE TIME YOU CAN ASSIST!

(K-2 CAKE STALL) K-2 Class Parent Co-ordinators – Colleen Haigh - Colleen.p.haigh@gmail.com or Gemma Comanos – gemma@cgroup.net.au



(3-4 SAUSAGE SIZZLE)

3-4 Class Parent Co-ordinators – Allison Cassidy – acassidy10@hotmail.com/
Libby Ringrose libskyr@bigpond.com



(5-6 COLD DRINKS & SNACKS STALL)

-6 Class Parent Co-ordinators – Renee Thake – renee.thake@gmail.com



(ASSISTANCE TIMES FOR ALL STALLS)

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| 9-10am (set up) | 12-1pm (serving) |
| 10-11am (serving) | 1-2pm (serving/clean up) |
| 11-12pm (serving) | Other (please specify) |

WE ALSO WELCOME CAKES, JELLIES, LOLLY BAGS ETC MADE BY PARENTS FROM ANY YEAR. PLEASE BRING THEM ALONG ON THE MORNING OF THE CARNIVAL, OR SEND THEM WITH YOUR CHILD. DUE TO ALLERGIES, PLEASE ENSURE THERE ARE NO NUTS – ALSO IF POSSIBLE PLEASE LABEL ESP. IF CAKES ARE GLUTEN FREE, AND REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR SURNAME ON THE BASE OF YOUR PLATTER!

A massive thank you to Samantha and John Carolan from SKOPE CONSTRUCTIONS for sponsoring our event. Your support is greatly appreciated

<https://www.skopeconstructions.com.au/>

FATHER'S DAY FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

If any businesses or families would like to donate prizes for the Father's Day Fundraising Raffle, please contact:

Aliosn Graham on 0409 394 299 or prouille.pandf@gmail.com.

All funds raised will be supporting the Stem program for our children so please get involved.



PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Resilient Child

How can we help children develop their resilience and cope better with the ups and downs of school life? What strategies develop "mental health fitness" in children and lifelong wellbeing skills?

Join us for a workshop that will provide you with:

- A better understanding of what is "wellbeing"
- Strategies for building resilience and coping skills
- Ideas to develop "mentally fit" children
- Building a growth mindset at home.

Date: Wednesday, 21 August at 7pm
Please direct your questions to:
Gen Cardiff - gencardiff@gmail.com or Nicki Doyle - nicki.dovle13@gmail.com

Tea and coffee will be provided.

If you wish to attend "The Resilient Child" Workshop please book on trybooking using the code below. There is no cost for this event.

This is a FREE workshop
Brought to you by the
Parent Education Team,
Catholic Schools Office,
Diocese of Broken Bay.



THE SAN RUNFORLIFE RETURNS ON SUNDAY 4 AUGUST.

Join close to 1000 individuals, families, schools, professional and social runners and walkers as they take on the Sydney Adventist Hospital grounds and the streets of Wahroonga.

Participants will have the choice of a 10km running course or a 5km run or walk course. The 10km course consists of two laps of the course. Walkers are not permitted to enter the 10km event.

No matter what your running ability is, you can take part as a team with friends and colleagues, or bring your family along - prams are welcome for the 5km course and need to start at the back of the field.

Set up your fundraising page and raise funds for San Cancer Services. The highest fundraiser will receive a great prize. If you can't join us on the day sponsor a friend or donate to the [San Foundation](#) - every dollar will help us to support San Cancer Services. You can organise some friends from Prouille and enter the Primary School Category.

Parents you can register their child under the team name "prouille pride" when they register.

