

PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers



Sunday's Gospel Reading Matthew 13:44-52

Discovering Gods Kingdom is like stumbling across hidden treasure or finding one pearl of great price. Treasure has a special connection to our hearts, the place of struggle, longing and focus. The thing we most value or set our hearts on, is our highest treasure. The parable of the Pearl of Great Price challenges us as Christians to really understand the true meaning and significance of the incredible gift of life from God.

David Ranson, which opens up our thinking about the importance of being attentive to our life.

https://davidranson.com.au/uncategorised/2020/07/23/17th-sunday-of-ordinary-time-homily/

ENROLLING NOW AT PROUILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School enrolments for 2021 are now a focus for the school and everyone can play a part! Ms Bevan met with the CSO marketing team and they have a plan ready to carry out in order to further promote the opportunities available here at Prouille Catholic School.

What is the school doing?

Some of the actions in the pipe line are;

- Advertising for a Marketing Co-ordinator (courtesy of CSO). See Compass.
- Updating of the school website video school tour.
- New school Enrolling Now banner to come very soon.
- Reviewing possibilities with Facebook (to be discussed at P& F this week).
- Banner erected to advertise the preschool invitation to LEAP (pop up playgroups focusing on curriculum school readiness areas which some little ones may have missed out on due to non- attendance over this CV19 year).
- Hosting 4 LEAP playgroups over term 3 and 4. See school website.
- Opening up LEAP playgroups to all interested parents in the community plus those enrolling.
- Visiting 12 preschools in the area to leave advertising materials.
- Advertising materials to be displayed at the Holy Name Church.

What can parents do? Thank you for your continued support.

- Invite friends with pre-school aged children along the LEAP playgroups.
- Talk about our wonderful school to others who are 'looking around 'for a good school.
- Be aware the enrolment is open across all grades.

WHY DO KIDS LOVE CODING?



Let's ask them?

"I like coding because there are so many possibilities of what you can create. The people running the program give us tips, and help us do certain things we may not be able to do on our own. The coding we have done in 2020 is different to any other coding we have done before, because this year we are using Arduino boards. They allow us to have more understanding of electric items and circuits. Another

good thing about coding is that you can also do it at home! Just because they've set up a program, doesn't mean we're not allowed to do it at home. We can do it at home all the time as long as we have a computer and the internet which most people have."Luca C .5 / 6

"Going to coding lessons has always been a highlight of my week. We have been discovering more about computer coding and learning about how to use the programming language Scratch. It's really cool that we can work as a team. In coding, you can let your curiosity shine and you discover something different every lesson. Coding has an interactive, imaginative and interesting environment that I always look forward to." Charlotte Bull- 5/6

We live in a digital age in which computers are everywhere and have become an essential part of our lives. Every student should have access to technology, whether it be computers, smartphones, or tablets because almost everything we do requires some form of programming.

WHY CODING INSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE

Coding or computer programming is writing a set of instructions that a computer understands so it will perform a task. There are several advantages of learning to code in primary school.

First, learning programming empowers students. Coding puts children in control of the computer and through experimentation builds mastery in sequencing skills, counting, problem solving, logical thinking, cause and effect, and critical thinking. Additionally, children can express themselves through code and find it cool to create games, apps, and websites and to even control robots.

The earlier we introduce coding to children, the more comfortable they will become with computers and technology and the more successful they will become when presented with more challenging learning opportunities. Children are extremely eager to learn how to code. Just like learning a foreign language, the language of coding should begin early with vocabulary terms such as program, sequence and algorithm. Developing the basics provides students with the computer skills they will need for any career they choose in the future.

We are fortunate at Prouille to have this opportunity for all students Kinder to Year 6!

Places are available for the Scopelt lunch time coding club which commences next week. To register see flyer at the end to this News Bulletin.

TEACHERS ARE LEARNERS TOO! PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOCUS FOR THIS TERM



This term teachers are working with the CSO Literacy Education Officer to stretch their skills in the teaching of Reading. Whilst our school results are solid, teachers know there is always room to improve the 'growth' of students' learning. Over the past two professional learning sessions, teachers have focused on levels of 'deep learning' and the implications for students before, during and after reading; that is teaching skills in comprehension at well beyond the literal level.

DRIVE THROUGH

Parents are asked to have their family sign displayed clearly in the front window of the car when approaching the duty teacher who has the microphone. We are in the process of reissuing new signs for all families in case original signs have been lost or damaged.

STUDENTS ARRIVING AFTER 8:50am ARE LATE ARRIVALS

All schools are required to record late arrivals. Parents are asked to accompany their child into the office and *log in* the late arrival information. SOCIAL DISTANCING is required at all times. Thank you for your support in this time of many changes and requirements.

Best Wishes Ann Milling ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Congratulations Students for Outstanding Application to Learning And Behaviour

CLASS	
K Kangaroo	Sophia Abignano-Jones, Grace Anderson, Alisha Ahmed
1 Rosella	Luca Gemayel, Kitty Pinto-Engel, Amelia Bhatti
1 Lyrebird	Angus Quilkey, Isaac Holland-Lopez
2 Emu	Mia Hill, Amelie Boon
3 Platypus	Isabella Ong-Grimes, Frederick Gosling, Harry Boyd
3 Bilby	Emily Littleford, Zara Leach
4 Kookaburra	Thomas Arnold, Daniel McGrath
5 Echidna	Veronica Scully, Molly Sheppard
5/6 Wallaby	Faith Chitanda, Isabella Andersson



STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Geogie Jenkins Yr 3 Platypus. who is our Star of the Week.

Best Wishes Ann Milling Assistant Principal.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PASTORAL CARE NEWS

Dear Parents

The elections for the new members of the Student Representative Council were before the holidays and they were announced at last Friday's assembly. I am very happy to announce the new representatives are:

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Kindergarten (Mrs Grigor): Jessica Potter

Year One (Mrs Milling/Mrs Neilson): Kobe Johnston

Year One (Ms Clyant): William Fullilove Year Two (Mrs Chivers): Georgia Kelly Year Three (Mrs Davidson): Zachary Leach Year Three (Mrs Roberts): Lucas Bradley Year Four (Mrs Pan/Mrs Lees): William Gibbs

Year Five (Mr Catanzariti/Mrs Neilson): Phoebe Carolan

Year Five/Six (Mrs O'Brien-Pounde): Henry Quilkey/Oliver Wickham

Take care and God bless,

Mr Mark Catanzariti
Religious Education Coordinator (Acting)

SCHOOL NEWS

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge. The challenge finishes this term on Friday 28th August.

Kindy; Nana Chomprasert, Elanor McVeigh, Ian Oh

Year 1 - Amelia Bhatti, Zoe Haigh, Allegra Polselli, Alisha Senn, Annabelle Goodwin

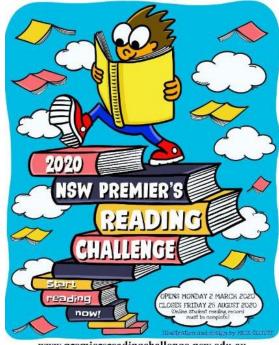
Year 2- Jared Lee, Ava Munce, Matthew Pepper, Atticus Quoyle

Year 3 - Bryce Davis, Christopher Doyle, Madeleine Goodwin, Freddie Gosling, Blake Hagerty, Annabelle Haigh, Adele Scully

Year 4 - Abigail Bhatti, Jack Fullilove, Daniel McGrath, Darcie O'Leary, Yohann Pereira, Archie Smith

Year 5 - Sibella Dooling, Veronica Scully, Archie Wright

Year 6 - Charlotte Bull, Faith Chitanda, Thea Georgiades, Salome Lemetter, Lily Smith



www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au







Being part of the reading challenge is important. As the Australian Children's Laureate, Ursula Dubosarsky says "Reading is for Life" and we need to support and encourage the children to read a wide variety of books and read regularly. The challenge helps to support this.

"You make a difference to your children's reading journey. Your role as an advocate for your children's reading success cannot be overestimated. It has a direct impact on the ease and confidence with which they pursue their reading and writing.

It is the joy and love of sharing a good book on a nightly basis that sets the foundation for their reading success and ensures that reading is given the priority it deserves. Reading regularly with someone who cares is the inspiration that all readers deserve." Petaa (Primary English Teaching Association of Australia)

BOOKWEEK 2020

The Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week 2020 theme is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds. The Book Council has changed the date to **Term 4 October 17-23**, so there is plenty of time to start thinking about, planning and organising your Book Week costume.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM CLOTHING POOL SALE

Prouille's secondhand clothing pool will be selling good quality secondhand uniforms on **August 3rd (Mon) from 9am-10.30am** at the undercroft.

Slots will have to be reserved in advance to allow for adequate Social Distancing. If you are interested, please book here (subject to max 5 individuals per slot): https://doodle.com/poll/4k76se4wicgwbfpk

There is a wide range of sizes available for both girls and boys at a very reasonable price. **Please bring cash as there will be no card facilities.** See prices below for estimated cost for the day.



Girls Uniforms

Shirts-\$5 Dresses-\$10 Tunics-\$20

Boys Uniforms

Ties-\$5 Shirts-\$5 Shorts- \$5 Pants- \$10

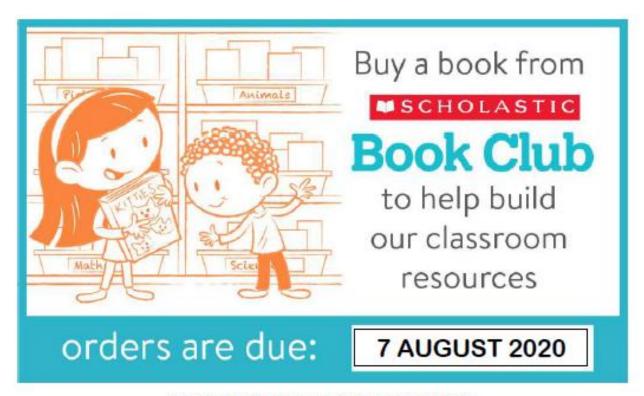
Girls and Boys Uniforms

T-shirts- \$5 Shorts- \$5 Sports Jackets -\$10 Bags- \$10 Hats-\$15 Jumpers-\$15

See you there!:)

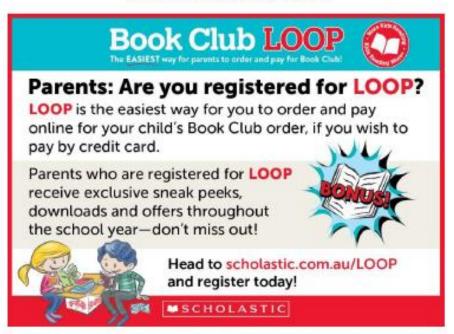


BOOK CLUB ISSUE 5 ORDERS DUE BY 7 AUGUST 2020



Orders can be placed via Book Club LOOP

NO CASH PAYMENTS.



For any queries contact Michelle Lee via email: bookclubprouille@gmail.com





Dear Parents

ScopelT, who run our coding lessons that run each year, also run After School coding clubs, called CIY.Club (Code It Yourself Club).

We've arranged for ScopelT to host their CIY.Club again this year during lunchtimes for the last 8 weeks of term. CIY.Club is a Club encompassing a format where kids can come together to learn, train and improve their technology skills. CIY.Club exists as a curated program which includes self-driven, project based activities with both mentor support and mini-workshops. The overall goal of CIY is simple; to provide an environment which facilitates young coders to train to be creators of technology. It's compared to a Karate Class, where kids of all ages and skill levels come together to learn, train and improve. CIY.Club use a leveling system similar to the belt system in Karate, where the kids complete a certain number of achievements before they can 'Level Up' to reach their next level. Students are given coloured wristbands to denote their level instead of a belt.

CIY.Club is comprised of topics which develop skills in the areas of:

Coding • 3D Printing • Electronics & Robotics • Website & App Development

How long would sessions run? Each session runs for 1 hour and will be held Wed lunchtime in the library

What age groups? Code Wizards (7yrs - 12yrs)

What would be the cost per child? \$132 for the 8 weeks. This includes GST.

Registration will be online via the CIY website. https://bit.ly/Prouille_T3_2020

We would love to see 2019 students return so they can continue their progress and very keen to see any new students who would like to develop their digital technology skills. There are limited places available.

ScopelT provide everything needed to run the clubs including:

- 2 Fully trained Coaches
- Computers, internet and all required equipment
- · Any other materials which may be needed

Any questions please reach out to Andrew on <u>Andrew@ScopelTeducation.edu.au</u> or Steph on <u>Stephanie@scopelTeducation.edu.au</u>

COMMUNITY NEWS



Please click on this link to view the Broken Bay Catholic School Parents Newsletter.

https://mailchi.mp/7f23e5ded3a9/csp-term-3-news-events



VIRTUAL TOUR

Wednesday, 5th August 9:30am Wednesday, 26th August 9:30am



REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU

Please click on this link to book a tour

- https://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au/enrol/book-a-tour/