

PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

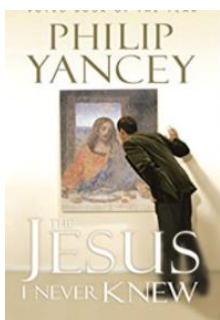
Who said that children don't take notice of how parents go about doing things? At a Nativity play last Christmas, an enthusiastic group of young children was going about their enactment in a bright-eyed, eager manner. All was going to plan until Joseph knocked on the inn door and asked for a room for himself and Mary. The innkeeper kept to the script and responded by saying that there were no spare rooms. Unexpectedly, this sparked a non-scripted reply from Joseph who emphatically stated, "But my mum booked a room for us on the Internet!" No doubt, this would be a treasured memory for "Joseph's" mother.

Of course, each of us gathers treasures of memories and experiences of teachings and principles as we age and mature. Christmas seems to be a time of drawing out these treasured memories that reach back as far as childhood. Carols and songs, decorated tree and presents, cultural traditions and midnight Mass, all have rich emotions attached, that give meaning to what we do in this season of Christmas. The ancient story told by Luke reminds us about the birth of Jesus and is one of those treasures we hear and store away:

"There were some shepherds in that part of the country who were spending the night in the fields taking care of their flocks. An angel of the Lord appeared to them and said: 'Don't be afraid! I am here with good news for you, which will bring great joy to all people. This very day in David's town your Saviour was born – Christ the Lord. And this is what will prove it to you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.' So, the shepherds hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and saw the baby lying in the manger."
Luke 2. 8:16 abridged



In his best-selling book, "The Jesus I Never Knew", Philip Yancey contrasts the humility that characterised Jesus' royal visit to planet earth with the image associated with royal visits today: "Queen Elizabeth II had recently visited the United States; her four thousand pounds of luggage included two outfits for every occasion, forty pints of plasma and white kid-leather toilet seat covers. She brought along her own hairdresser, two valets and a host of other attendants. A brief visit of royalty to a foreign country can easily cost twenty million dollars. In marked contrast, God's visit to earth took place in an animal shelter with no attendants present and nowhere to lay the newborn King but a feed trough. Indeed, the event that divided history, and even our calendars into two parts, may have had more animal than human witnesses."



So, how will Christmas be this year? Probably, not of Elizabethan proportions but celebratory so it builds "treasures of memories" for our children which will include a respect for Christ's humble entry into our world. As Christians, we are a community that should be known for its compassion, care and love without discrimination. Christ came for all people but especially the disadvantaged; we need to be the bearers of His attitude to the people who come in and out of our lives.

God, our Father,

We ask the Spirit to, "clothe us with compassion, humility, meekness and patience and to let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts", so that we, "God's chosen ones" will give true witness to the message of Christ. Amen. Colossians 3. 12:15.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Teachers are currently busy preparing students' school reports for Semester 2. School reports will be emailed home on Friday 11th December.



THANK YOU

Thank you to the Kindergarten and Year 6 families who joined us for a special family mass last Sunday. It was a very special celebration. Thank you Sally Oong and her family, Mrs. Louise O'Brien-Poude, Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. Colbert.



Yours sincerely

Sue Bevan

Ms. Sue Bevan

We can even learn during the Festive Season....

Here are some maths and reading activities to help keep the children learning.

CHRISTMAS FRACTIONS

1. **How many** baubles are on the tree?
2. Harry's Mum wanted $\frac{1}{15}$ of the baubles to be yellow. **How many** are yellow?
3. If $\frac{1}{5}$ of the baubles are red, **how many** baubles are not red?
4. Harry's hamster knocked $\frac{1}{3}$ of the baubles off the tree. **How many** baubles were left on the tree?
5. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the presents underneath the tree are for Rebecca. If there are 20 presents underneath the tree, **how many** will Rebecca get?
6. **What fraction** of the presents are not for Rebecca?
7. Santa took $\frac{2}{5}$ of Rebecca's presents away because she was too naughty. **How many** did she have left?
8. $\frac{1}{2}$ of all the carrots in the supermarket were bought to make snowman noses. If the supermarket sold 168 carrots, **how many** ended up as noses?
9. Emily used 5 pieces of coal for the buttons, 7 pieces of coal for the mouth and 2 for the eyes. **What fraction** of the coal did she use to make the mouth?



10. The scarf is $\frac{3}{8}$ s red and $\frac{5}{8}$ s yellow. If there are 16 sections on the scarf, **how many** are red?

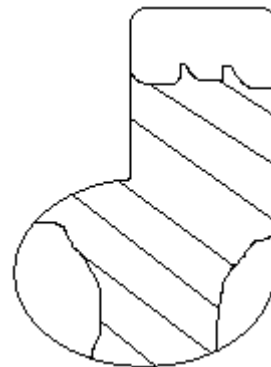
11. Draw a Christmas stocking. Decorate your stocking with 24 stars or circles.

Colour: $\frac{1}{4}$ yellow. $\frac{1}{3}$ red, $\frac{3}{12}$ green

Yours sincerely

Sue Bevan

Ms. Sue Bevan



UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Dear Parents here are a few important dates:

Sunday 6 December

- Years 1 and 5 Family Mass
@ Holy Name Church- 11.00am

Wednesday 9 December

- Celebration Day for the Children

Friday 11 December

- Year 6 Graduation Mass & Dinner

Wednesday 16 December

- End of Year Mass 11.00am @ Holy Name Church
- **LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS**



SCHOOL NEWS

BAND AND INSTRUMENTAL NEWS

The band had an amazing concert in front of the school last Monday. It's truly amazing to be back playing in front of a live audience! Well Done to everyone that performed, you are amazing superstars.

This is our last week of lessons for instrumental, band and piano. Don't forget to keep practicing in the holidays.

Next year we will have piano, guitar lessons at the school, if you are interested in the commencing lessons please complete the attached forms.

Band program for 2021

We are offering Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet, Trombone, Saxophone and Euphonium, there are limited spots on Drums for the beginners band for 2021.

If your child liked an instrument they heard at the concert on Monday and would like to join the band, please complete the form and send back to me.

Band rehearsal are Monday afternoon at 3-3.45 pm and the group lessons are between 11.30 and 3 pm on a Monday. It's a rotating timetable, so you don't miss the same period each week.

If you would like to discuss the band instruments you can call me (Kate) on 0419630511

Australian Music Exams

Congratulations to Aurelia B for receiving a High Distinction in her Grade One Trumpet Exam.

Congratulations to Luca C for receiving a Honours in his Grade Two Saxophone Exam.
Congratulations to Daniel McG for receiving a Honours in his Grade Two Saxophone Exam and a Credit for grade One Saxophone Exam!



Procus Music Enrolment Form

Congratulations! Your child is going to have a wonderful experience learning the Guitar/Piano at Prouille School . We have tried to make the paperwork as easy as possible, so all you need to do is simply fill in this form and sign at the end.

Please bring the form to school office or email them to procusmusic@gmail.com

Ensure that ALL parts of the form below are filled in, including email address and mobile phone number.

We will contact you before the new school year with all the details of times. Piano/Guitar lessons are held in school time on a rotating basis. Lessons are held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

If your child forgets their lesson time, we will make every effort to locate them.

Student Name: _____ **Grade: (2021)** _____

School: _____ **Instrument:** PIANO/GUITAR (circle)

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (mobile) _____ Email _____

Does your Child have any allergies

If so, please explain type and Medical alert.....

Permission to record at concerts and send to parents Yes..... No

PAYMENT OPTIONS: Invoices will be raised, and payment is required within 14 days. Invoices overdue by 30 days will incur a \$10 administration fee and be charged to the credit card supplied below.

Credit card number/...../...../..... Ex...../..... CRN

TUITION FEES: \$44 including GST for a 30-minute lessons, and there are generally 10 weeks per term and room rent is charged per term at \$ 27.00

\$ 27.50 plus GST is for 20-minute lessons and there are generally 10 weeks per term, and room rent is charged per term at \$ 27.00

I understand that band is a financial commitment for the whole school year. I certify that the above information is true and correct. Procus Music requires one Term's notice to withdraw from the program.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

All done! We look forward to an exciting 2021. Kate Habkouk phone: 0419 630 511

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CONCERT BAND AND INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

The following letter is to provide you with the information about the band and Instrumental program which will operate in 2021 at Prouille Catholic School. Today we held a concert for the children in years 2-4 and demonstrated the following instruments. ***Instruments offered: are as follows***

Flute	Clarinet	Trumpet
Tuned Percussion/ Drums	Alto/ Tenor Saxophone	Baritone
Bass Guitar	Piano	Trombone

- The program is open to all students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 of 2021
- The Concert band is made up of students in the instrumental program and other interested students learning a concert band instruments
- Individual Tuition is also provided for piano and the students will have the opportunity to perform though not with the concert band until they are experience players.

Structure of the Program

- Students attend one half hour group tutorial each week
- Lessons take place at the school at a time determined in consultation with the school.
- The concert band rehearsal is once a week and attending the rehearsals is vital to achieving optimum results.

Costs Involved

- The cost of tuition and band fees is \$275.00 including GST on receipt of an invoice at the start of each term. This is a 9 week term
- This fee covers all tuition, rehearsals and performances.
- Students are also required to purchase a tutor book costing \$ 24 for concert band instruments and Music stand at \$ 27 .00. Drummers require a practice pad \$45.00 and drum Sticks \$15.00
- A venue hire is charged every term.

How Do we get an instrument?

Naturally, your child will also need a musical instrument. Procus Music has a wide range of instruments that can be rented or purchased outright.

Commitment

Students will need to commit to the entire year of Training band. Students then graduate to the Concert Band. For optimal results students need to practice regularly, attend band sessions and tutorials and enjoy being part of the team.

Private Lessons

Individual lessons will be available for all piano students (no group lessons available) and any instrument. These lessons will be held on Wednesday from Midday – 3pm on a rotating timetable, so students don't miss the same class lesson each week. Prices vary on 20 minutes and 30-minute lessons.

BAND AND INSTRUMENTAL TUITION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

This form should be handed back to the school office or emailed to procusmusic@gmail.com

Student's Name: _____ Class _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Phone/ Mobile: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION PROGRAM

Do you wish for your child to learn to play an instrument as part of the Instrumental Tuition Program?

YES/ NO (PLEASE CIRCLE)

Instrument Selected (if known) _____

Would you like group lessons or Private lessons? Group/Private (please Circle)

Does your child have an instrument at home? YES/ NO (please Circle)

Would you like a purchase / Hire email? Yes/ (please circle)

What Happens Next

If you are agreeable to your child participating in the Band Program, please return this form to the school office immediately and we will contact you with a confirmation. If you require further instrumental testing, please call me on 0419 630 511 to arrange a time.

We look forward to an exciting and stimulating musical year.

Yours Sincerely,

Kathryn Ney and Mathew Bleinham



Wahroonga Netball Clinic at Prouille

Date: Thursday December 10th
Time: 3:15pm - 4:45pm

Free Netball Clinic
for everyone!

A grade coaches

- Netball skills training
- Mini Games
- Team Building
- Sportsmanship
- Prepare for next season



Come and
have FUN



Due to COVID-19 restrictions no parents allowed until pick up time and Prouille kids only. Please register your interest or if you have any questions contact Serena Artindale 0457 592 057

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(Advanced Swimming Coach & Austswim Cert)



**LEARN TO SWIM/SQUADS
& AQUAROBICS**

Book now for holiday & after school term
classes

Heated indoor & outdoor pools at
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