



# PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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1<sup>st</sup> February 2021

Term 1

Week 2

Dear Parents

## Welcome

Welcome back to Prouille for 2021 to all our existing families and greetings to all our new families. The staff are enjoying meeting your children and hearing about their holiday experiences. Thank you to our wonderful teaching staff who have prepared for the school year during the school holidays to ensure that the students had a successful start to the new year.

Thank you to all the staff, students, and parents who have welcomed me into your school community. A warm welcome also to our new staff, Sharon Kelly (Assistant Principal and Year 6 teacher), Samantha Sheather (Religion Education Coordinator and Year 4 teacher), Gabrielle McKay (Year 1 teacher), Jasmin Rudolph (Year 2 teacher) and Consuelo Valdes (Year 5 teacher and Executive Release).

## School Communication with Parents and Carers

This year we will communicate with families through a variety of mediums. The primary method of communication will be through Compass with the bulk of information, forms and notices going out this way. At times there will be whole class sets of hard copy notes sent out, but we will also be trialling electronic permission notes to cut down on our impact on the environment and reduce our carbon footprint. **We will not be sending a regular newsletter, as our other platforms allow us to provide information in a more timely, targeted and succinct manner.** You may occasionally get a link to a Vimeo and be subjected to a short video message about what is going on at Prouille. We know that everyone is busy and a long newsletter can be onerous, so our aim is less pages more often. A link to the school calendar will be forwarded to parents and it will be continually updated with current events.

## Year 4 2021

We are pleased to announce that with CSBB support, we have been able to create two Year 4 classes instead of the predicted one. We are currently recruiting the appropriate teacher to join our team and will introduce them to the school community as soon as they are appointed. The classes have been split as of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February and staffed with an experienced casual teacher from the diocese

## 2021 Mathematical Assessment Interviews

Thank you to all parents for your assistance with the Mathematical Assessment Interviews held on our Staff Development Day in Week 1. The teachers will complete these assessments over the next two weeks and use this information to target and differentiate the numeracy program for each individual student throughout the year.

## COVID-19 restrictions - Parents and Carers

We will always send out appropriate information and updates from Catholic Schools Broken Bay and NSW Health with regards COVID-19 on Compass. If you need clarification of any issue, do not hesitate to ring the school office to find the updated COVID-19 restrictions for parents and carers provided by

## Communication with Teachers

Prouille recognises that email is a fast and convenient way to communicate with your child's teacher. As you can appreciate, teachers read their emails at various times throughout the school day when they are not teaching and they are generally not expected to respond to emails from parents and students outside of normal working hours. Please keep in mind that if you send

an email to a member of our staff outside of normal working hours, a reply may not be received until the following working day. If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please continue to direct your emails to [prouille@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:prouille@dbb.catholic.edu.au) which will then be passed onto the relevant teacher, as per our usual practice. Some teachers may elect for you to email them directly and they will provide you with their email details.

Thank you  
Genevieve Smith

## PROUILLE P&F ASSOCIATION



A warm welcome to 2021 from the Prouille P & F to all our teachers, parents and students. We are very much looking forward to a wonderful year.

A very big thank you to Ange Chappel and Sarah Ward who led the P&F as Co-presidents for the last two years, as well as the entire 2020 P&F committee who supported the Prouille community in such a challenging year.

At the beginning of 2020 we had a P&F calendar full of social events and fundraisers, many of which were postponed, cancelled or 're-jigged' to comply with 2020 COVID safety restrictions. We have optimistically planned this year's calendar in the hope that we may be able to hold these events in compliance with current Covid regulations and we will keep you posted regularly! Watch this space in the newsletter for all P&F news and events. We invite you all to attend our termly P&F

meetings, which are held in the school Library-please see attached calendar for dates. We would like to introduce the new 2021 Prouille P&F Committee:

Co-President	Michelle Lee
Co-President	Laura Munce
Vice-President	Libby Ringrose
Secretary	Lousie Kerr
Treasurer	Natalie Hagarty
DPC Rep/Parent Engagement	Sarah Ward
DPC Rep/Parent Engagement	Steph Shepherd
Parish Liaison	Ed Scully
Social Co-ordinator	Colleen Haigh
Raffle Co-ordinator	
2nd Hand Uniform Co-ordinator	Laura Brady/Kate Jones
Stage Co-ordinator K-2	Mariela Salich
Stage Co-ordinator K-2	Monique Lil
Stage Co-ordinator 3-4	Penny Webb
Stage Co-ordinator 3-4	Cathy Gosling
Stage Co-ordinator 5-6	Ange Chappel
Stage Co-ordinator 5-6	Michelle Gibbs

### **2021 Welcome Event**

In light of the current COVID restrictions we are unable to hold our annual Welcome Cocktail Party. As soon as restrictions ease we will hold a social event to welcome new families to our wonderful community-watch this space!

## **Class Parents Needed!**

We welcome parents and carers who would like to be involved in the school community, regardless of whether you are a “new” or “existing” family at Prouille. Class Parents play an extremely important and rewarding role in the school and it is a great way to get involved in school life. Ideally, each class has at least 2 Class Parent’s.

Class Parents become involved in the following:

- Family & Community: Welcome new families and help them settle into Prouille and coordinate assistance for families in need e.g. assist with child pick up/drop offs/food hampers/moral support
- Parish: Assist with the Year Mass and organise the morning tea.
- P&F: Assist the Social Coordinator and Stage Coordinators with organising the social events for your Class/Stage Group including End of Term Lunch, Athletics Carnival Stall, School Disco and other P&F run community events
- Class/Stage Social Events: Organise informal get-togethers within the Class/Stage e.g. morning tea, play in the park
- Year 5/6 Parents only: Fund-raising for the Year 6 Graduation dinner and gift to the school

If you would like to volunteer for a class parent role, or if you have any questions, please contact Laura or Michelle via email on [prouille.pandf@gmail.com](mailto:prouille.pandf@gmail.com)

A big thank you to those parents who have already contacted us to put their names forward. There will be an initial class parent meeting on Friday 12th February at 9am in the school library to go over key responsibilities and procedures.

### **Ice Block Fridays**

Ice blocks will be returning to the canteen on a Friday starting this week.

Ice blocks are sold for \$1.00 each and the funds raised go towards the P & F social activities for the school community. We are currently looking for volunteers to assist on Fridays this year – it is a short lunchtime commitment from 1.00pm to 1.45pm and you are only asked to commit for one or two Fridays each term. Please email [prouille.pandf@gmail.com](mailto:prouille.pandf@gmail.com) if you would like to help out.



### **QKR! APP**

Please ensure that you have the QKR! App downloaded and updated with your child’s new class. This is the app we use for payment of many P&F events.

### **P&F Dates for your Diary**

*NB: Please note that these dates may be subject to change if COVID regulations change.*

<b>Term 1</b>	
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Afternoon Tea Cake Stall Fundraiser (Information to come)
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	Term 1 P&F Meeting 7pm in the Library
Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term Lunch
<b>Term 2</b>	
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mother’s Day Breakfast
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Term 2 P&F Meeting 7pm in the Library
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term Lunch
<b>Term 3</b>	
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	Term 3 P&F Meeting 7pm in the Library
Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Father’s Day Breakfast
Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term Lunch
<b>Term 4</b>	
15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	AGM P&F Meeting 7pm in the Library
26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christmas Disco
TBC	Year 6 Graduation

Looking forward to a wonderful year ahead.

Laura and Michelle Co-Presidents