



# PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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Term 2

Week 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all for an outstanding Term 2! It has been a pleasure to work with students, parents and teachers this term in the classroom and as a community. As we move into the holidays amidst restrictions and with the looming threat of a lockdown I can only wish you all a safe and stress free holiday and hope that your plans are not too impacted.

It is with great pleasure that I announce that the nominated Student Representative Council members for Semester 2 (Terms 3 and 4) are:

**Kindergarten** - Vera Chrystal &

Henry Wang

**Year 1** - Manech Lemetter &

Arianna Pereira

**Year 2** - Harry Brady & Alexander Kirby

**Year 3** - Aurelia Bell and Jack Wilson

**Year 4** - Ariz Ahmed & Harry Boyd

**Year 5** - Aidan Douglas and Tyson Foti

These students will receive their badge and be presented to the school community at the Week 2 Term 3 assembly. A reminder to parents will be sent out prior to the assembly.

Please take the time to read the following items as they 'wrap-up' a number of events that have occurred throughout this term and highlight a number of upcoming events.

## LITERACY CORNER - SPELLING

### Spelling



As mentioned in a previous newsletter, a focus for us at Prouille this year is to develop a shared belief about the teaching and learning of spelling. We have been building an understanding of what it means to be an effective speller. We have engaged in weekly professional learning after school and developed a shared vision for our learners as spellers and the place of effective feedback in spelling and writing.

The coaching cycle involves dedicated planning time, modelled lessons with literacy

coaches (Mary Brown from the Catholic Schools Broken Bay and myself - Sharon Kelly AP), teacher-led lessons with observations and then reflections on how best to move forward. So far, we have worked closely with our infants' classes and next term we'll be working with our primary students and teachers in the classrooms.

## GIFTED AND TALENTED

On Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> June all Prouille and Corpus Christi Staff took part in a training day specifically designed to upskill teachers in planning, delivering and evaluating programs that extend and challenge children with exceptional abilities across a broad range of areas. Studies have shown that the ability to target these children benefits all students across the school. We have been fortunate to work with Dr. Daren Mallet (Gifted and Talented Lead Educational Officer- Catholic Schools Broken Bay) on a weekly basis to ensure we are meeting the needs of these children and families in our school community. If you have any questions about this, please contact me to discuss further.



## PBL MASCOT COMPETITION WINNERS

The following children have been selected from the 146 entrants in the PBL Mascot competition to represent their grade and work with a talented graphic artist in Term 3 to produce a professional logo for our PBL mascot.

**Kindy** - Lily Jordan

**Year 1** - Elise Sheridan

**Year 2** - Alisha Senn

**Year 3** - Amelie Boon

**Year 4** - Blake Hagarty

**Year 5** - Jack Fullilove

## SEMESTER 1 STUDENT LEARNING REPORT & FAMILY LEARNING CONFERENCES.

Thank you to the parents who have provided us with feedback regarding the Semester 1 Student Learning Reports and the Family Learning Conferences. It was encouraging to hear the children articulate their learning goals going forward.

We are working to ensure that there is parent feedback for these two important teaching and learning tools so we will be sending a link to a Google form at the beginning of Term 3 to utilize your invaluable feedback and insights to improve the quality of our processes and content.

## DOROTHEA MACKELLAR POETRY COMPETITION



Thank you to parents and teachers that have sent their Poetry entries to Janet Walker. Send your entries for the Dorothea Mackellar National Poetry Competition to [janetwalker43@hotmail.com](mailto:janetwalker43@hotmail.com) by the end of the term. Please type it up and include your child's age and year group.

## CYBER SAFETY TALK

Senior Constable Lewis, the Youth Liaison Police Officer with Hornsby Police held a Cyber-Safety talk with Years 5 and 6. Here are some of the student's reflections:-

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of June Constable Lewis came to tell us about Cyber Safety. I learnt that you can't tell who people are online and there is also some inappropriate stuff on the internet. There can be a lot of mean and rude people. He also said the most important thing is to not show anyone your own information about you or where you are. (Harry T - Year 5)

The main thing that I learnt from Constable Lewis is how to make a secure username and password to restrict

random strangers getting access to my account. I think having Constable Lewis come in was a great idea and he taught us all about what we should and shouldn't do online. (Sibella. D - Year 6)

I used to think that it didn't matter if you posted a photo on social media in your school uniform. But now I think that it's not a good idea because strangers can find out the school you go to and personal information, such as your name and address. (Molly S - Year 6)

I used to think that your computer/laptop was 100% safe. That no one could hack themselves into the cameras, but now I know people can hack into them and when you are using your computer/laptop you should put a sticky note on top of the camera because if someone does hack into your camera they can see you through the camera. (Evie K - Year 6)

I did not know that a simple photo could reveal your location, school and name. Constable Lewis showed us two photos, one with a boy in his uniform (logo completely displayed), his name displayed on his soccer ball and a sign behind him betraying his location. The other photo was much safer, he told us, as it is dangerous to have personal details revealed on a publicly viewed photo. Anyone could find out where or who you are. (Veronica S - Year 6)

Constable Lewis told us about not trusting people that you don't know in real life if maybe you get a random message from a stranger, do not reply to them, and never be friends with them because they might be older than you maybe an adult. They could ask you personal questions like where you live? and those questions. Not to post anything about yourself on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Tic Toc and Hangouts by showing where you are

and what your t-shirt logo is. He said always edit your photo before posting it on any social media platform, also never show any personal information to others. (Ruby E - Year 5)

### **ICAS – YEAR 3 to YEAR 6**

A number of parents have either contacted their child's teacher or myself to ask if this opportunity is available for any grades lower than Year 3. ICAS is open for a small number of tests for year 2 and if you would like your child in Year 2 to take part please follow the process below as I have changed the parameters to allow parents to book for Year 2 students.

**This is completely voluntary.** Unfortunately, there are no levels below Year 2.

Signing up for ICAS testing closes on the 26th July. Login details are as follows:-

**Access details for parents:**

**School access code: APB110**

**Parent Page Link:**

**<https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>**

### **LEAGUE TAG & NETBALL GALA DAYS**

It was unfortunate that these great days were postponed this term. As soon as we receive information about the rescheduled dates, we will share this information with parents and students.



### **PARENTS HELPERS - KINDERGARTEN**

We are planning on putting out a communication asking for parent helpers in Kindergarten (pending COVID restrictions and guidelines). Parents will need to have completed the online Child Protection module from the diocese and will receive training to run small reading groups, maths games and letter Identification groups.

### **CANBERRA EXCURSION**

Stage 3 (Year 5 and 6) will be embarking on a wonderful excursion to Canberra in Week 1 of Term 3 (Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of July) . Although the departure date and time as well as the arrival date and time will remain the same, the itinerary is subject to change as COVID restrictions evolve. We will update all families closer to the time with all details



### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

The Feast Day of St Anne and St Joachim is a special event in all Catholic Schools across Sydney as they use it to mark and celebrate the grandparents of the students in their school. We will be praying to almighty God that our planned Grandparents' Day Celebrations go ahead on July 26<sup>th</sup> There will be a whole school Mass in the Holy Name Parish Church with all grandparents invited, open classrooms

# **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

and a special morning or afternoon tea (depending on the timing of the Mass). Please keep an eye out for the flyer to advertise this special event.

### **100 DAYS OF KINDY**

This special celebration for Kindergarten students and teachers was previously advertised at the end of Term 2. This date was recalculated and should fall on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July. The date was amended on the website calendar but I neglected to inform parents that were still using the hard copy calendar I sent out at the end of Term 1. I apologise for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused. We will send information home at the beginning of Term 3 to let parents know what the celebrations will look like.

## LOST & FOUND

A charm was found after the Parent Teacher meetings, a fit-bit has also been handed in. Please call the office if either of these items belong to you.

## WINTER WONDERLAND

A flyer went home with students last week advertising the P & F Winter Ball, information is attached regarding the details of the event.



## STRINGS AT PROUILLE CONCERT PROCUS MUSIC CONCERT

I would like to thank all music/instrumental teachers and students that performed in two separate concerts this term. The talents were amazing and it is truly inspiring to see the dedication and practice that students display to ensure that they develop their craft.

Although I congratulate all students, I know that it is the parents behind them that support the lessons, the cost and the time needed to ensure their children succeed. It is such a special skill to develop and they will thank you for your support in the future.



## Dates for your Diary Term 2 & 3 2021

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please also refer to the Prouille Website Calendar which is now a live document that gets updated regularly. [Calendar](#)

<b>TERM 2 2021</b>	<b>Week 10</b>	Students' Last Day of Term Whole System Staff Development Day	Thurs 24th June Fri 25th June
	<b>TERM 3 2021</b>	<b>Week 1</b>	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion Thurs 15th July Fri 16th July
	<b>Week 2</b>	100 Days of Kindy Activities	Thurs 22nd July
	<b>Week 3</b>	Grandparents Day Vinnies Winter Appeal (PJ Day)	Mon 26th July Fri 30th July
	<b>Week 4</b>	St Dominic's Day	Fri 6th August

## PROUILLE P&F ASSOCIATION



Save the date:



Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
7pm

### Prouille P&F Winter Wonderland Evening – The Warrawee Club

Tickets will be available for purchase via the QKR App (will be announced when open)

**Don't forget to book the babysitter in as this is an adults only event!**

# School Holiday Program

Left Indent

★ 28 June – 9 July ★

All activities require bookings \* Ages 11 – 18 unless specified

**Tuesday 29 June**

**Movie & Popcorn**

At AWOL Youth Hub  
10am – 2pm  
Free



**Thursday 1 July**

**In house  
games day**

At AWOL Youth Hub  
10am – 2pm  
Free



**Friday 2 July**

**BBQ TIME**

at St Ives  
Youth Hub  
6pm – 8pm  
Free



**Tuesday 6 July**

**Tie Dye**

at AWOL Youth Hub  
10am – 2pm  
Cost: \$10



**Thursday 8 July**

**Crafts day**

at AWOL Youth Hub  
10am – 2pm  
Cost: \$10



**Friday 9 July**

**BBQ TIME**

at St Ives  
Youth Hub  
6pm – 8pm  
Free



**Bookings** [krg.nsw.gov.au/youthevents](http://krg.nsw.gov.au/youthevents)

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