

Friday 8th of October

HBL and Return to School Update

Week 1 Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

PROUILLE_

WAHROONGA

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

A very warm welcome back to all families for Term 4 at Prouille. We all hope you have had a break from the routine of HBL from Term 3 and had a chance to refresh and renew.

Although I love the **28th Sunday of Ordinary Time Week B**'s Gospel reading, it is the second reading from Hebrews that really speaks to me this week:-

The word of God is something alive and active;

it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely:

it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit,

or joints from the marrow;

it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts.

No created thing can hide from him;

everything is uncovered

and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

(Heb 4:12-13)

Thank you to the families that filled in the Google Form indicating their children's attendance needs over the coming weeks. It has now been announced that there have been further changes to the "Roadmap", so along with today's *HBL Update*, I would like to outline the procedures and processes that are being put in place to ensure student, staff and parent's health and safety in line with Catholic School NSW (CSNSW) and CSBB guidelines. As you can fully appreciate, this is all subject to change as the restrictions are altered and adjusted over the coming weeks.

The Return to School Roadmap response can be broken into 2 distinct areas. Firstly the COVID safe practices that the school and staff have been preparing for during the holidays and secondly the student's wellbeing and learning, which we will share with you next week. Please see below for our COVID safe practices:



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Ventilation

This area is key to student and staff safety and wellbeing. CSBB will not be purchasing air purifiers with hepa filters. It has been determined that natural cross ventilation is the best condition for students and staff to work in. All teachers will open all doors and windows in the classroom at the start of the day and they will remain open till the end of the day. Students may need to bring a jacket for the first few weeks as we will not be using the air conditioner for heating. We will be using two CO2 monitors at regular intervals throughout the day to measure levels and if the CO2 levels are above the recommendations, the students will be removed from the classroom until they go down.

During the holidays we completed a checklist and maintenance program to address the following:

- All air conditioners were checked and filters replaced.
- All windows were checked to ensure they are able to be opened the required distance to ensure • cross ventilation.
- All fans were checked and cleaned. •

Masks

Masks will remain mandatory for all adults inside and outside at all times throughout the day. Masks for students are strongly encouraged and students who do not bring a mask to school will be offered one in the classroom - however, they are not mandatory for children under 13. Until the health directive is changed, all adults must wear a mask at all times whilst on school grounds.

Level 3+ and Level 3 Restrictions

Level 3 restrictions remain in place when all students return to school. This means that parents and adults from external service providers other than the school or CSBB are unable to attend the school premises. Students are to walk in from the front gate unattended by their parents. As soon as Level 3 restrictions are lifted, we will communicate this with our parents. Student pick-up will run through the car "Slow and Go" system as parents are unable to congregate around the school front gate or enter the school grounds. We will implement a staggered pick up time from the 25th October and will communicate the grades and times with you. We ask that all parents and carers assist us with complying with this restriction by not entering the school grounds.

Grade/Class Bubbles

Under Level 3 restrictions and the return to school guidelines we will implement class/grade bubbles as cross stage work and gatherings are not permitted. The playground will be divided into class/grade areas. until this restriction is lifted. The children will be supervised in their class/grade areas.

Staff Vaccination

After consultation with the Prouille staff, they have allowed me to share the information with you, that all staff that will be onsite from the 18th of October, have been or will be double vaccinated.



Other Restrictions

Unfortunately a number of school activities that were just starting to recommence again this year have been discontinued for the time being. School assemblies are canceled, band and ensembles are not allowed, extracurricular activities provided by an outside agency (e.g. chess, tennis, band, musical instrument lessons etc) are discontinued until further notice. School performances, productions, concerts, speech nights and award presentations are not allowed on school grounds. The bubblers will be taped over and out of bounds, so please make sure your child has a drink bottle clearly labeled with their name.

HBL Update

The start of Term 4 sees a return to HBL for a shortened period of time. The following information is relevant to the next two to three weeks:

- Teachers continue to deliver all lessons via a HBL platform only regardless of whether or not your child has returned to school prior to the 18th or 25th of October.
- Daily Classzooms continue as per previous schedule. The zoom links remain the same and can be found at the end of this update.
- Small group zooms for targeted lessons by class teachers and specialist teachers continue for the next three weeks.
- Screen Free days will continue on a Wednesday.
- Zoomberlies will recommence on Monday 11th October. Virtual awards will be announced for Week One. The Zoomberly link will be shared with students and is also available on the attached table.
- On Thursday the 14th of October all Year 3 to 6 students will take part in a STEM enrichment program run through the company STEMPunk. Students need to register online and have been given these instructions via Google Classroom or Seesaw. The instructions are attached to this update. Please ask your child if they have registered and make sure they are ready to login at 9.00 on Thursday as this is an excellent opportunity for all our students. A similar experience appropriate for Kindy to Year 2 will be organised in the coming weeks.
- Attached to this update is a resource with links titled *Positive Partnerships Return to School.* Many of our staff are accessing these resources and information sessions to assist with return to school strategies for our students who are on the autism spectrum.
- Next Wednesday's (13th Oct 11.00 am) "Virtual Cuppa" session will be an Open Forum titled *Return to School Your Questions Answered.* The zoom link is on the following page.

I am sure more questions will arise with regards to returning to school, so please do not hesitate to contact me or join us at the Virtual Cuppa. Next week's HBL / Return to School Update will focus on the Wellbeing/Teaching and Learning aspects of the Return to School Road Map

Stay safe and God bless

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Prouille HBL Zoom Links		
Time	Title	Zoom Link
2.30 Mondays	Prouille School Zoomberly	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/61647531696?pwd=ZTk2N EVuK0VrUUI1aFRiUIRCRHI5Zz09
11.00 Wed 13th Oct	Virtual Cuppa Return to School - Your questions answered	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/61757994384?pwd=ZXILZXpi SzJsN0xHcDJYWWtRYVRjdz09
9.30 Daily	Kindy Kangaroo Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/63294273073
9.30 Daily	Kindy Koala Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/68339675557
9.30 Daily	Year 1 Lyrebird Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/s/68840933182
9.15 Daily	Year 2 Wombat Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/67415599736
9.00 Daily	Year 2 Emu Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/65017253405
10.00 Daily	Year 3 Bilby Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/64111585961
10.00 Daily	Year 4 Dingo Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/64477431231
10.30 Daily	Year 4 Kookaburra Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/s/69810391789
10.00 Daily	Year 5 Echidna Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/63144323700
10.30 Daily	Year 6 Wallaby Classzoom	https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/65060903625



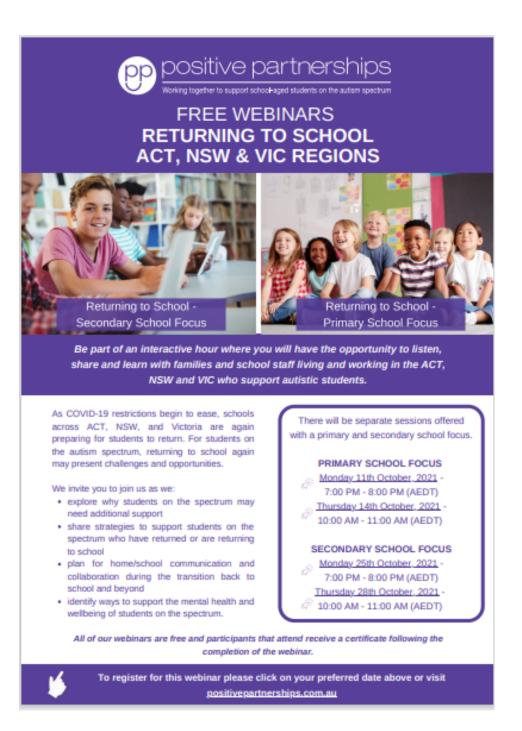
STEMPunk - Registration Process for Years 3 to 6 to be completed by Tuesday 14th Oct



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Positive Partnerships - Return to School for children on the autism spectrum.



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