

# PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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Term 4

Week 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

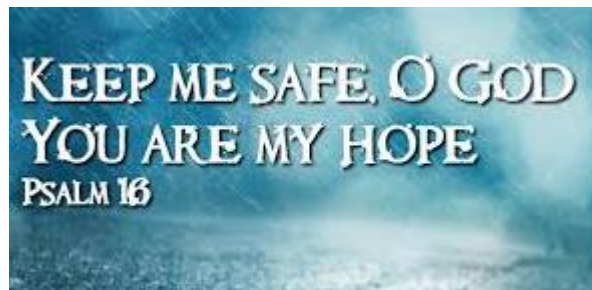
You would be extremely proud of the engagement and maturity that all your children have been exhibiting upon their return to school. They have joined with friends and classmates in making the last two weeks a celebration of resilience, perseverance and learning. They have entered into special classroom projects and targeted music & sports days with enthusiasm and vigour.

We have shared some special liturgies and assemblies as a whole school over Zoom as we maintain our grade/class 'bubbles' in line with the COVID Return to School Roadmap. Playground and afternoon pick up has presented challenges with maintaining bubbles and staggering times to continue to meet the Level 3 restrictions that we have been placed under.

We thank you as you have greatly assisted us with the different procedures we have had to implement with drop off, pick up and accessing the office block. **Please note that if you enter the school office, you will need to continue to check-in with the QR code, show a certificate of double vaccination and wear a mask.** Once again we thank you for your cooperation and continued support.



In this weekend's scripture readings, it is the Responsorial Psalm that has special meaning to me and I would like to share it with you:-



*Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;

it is you yourself who are my prize.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:

since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

*Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;

even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead,

nor let your beloved know decay.

*Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever.

*Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

Psalm 15(16):5,8-11)

Thank you for taking the time to read the following items and events and have a great weekend!

God bless and stay safe.

Genevieve Smith  
Principal

## YEAR 6 GRADUATION INVITATION

A soft and hard copy of the Graduation Invitation has been sent home to all Year 6 families this week. To assist with numbers at the Church, could we please ask that families complete the Google Form that was sent via Compass and is also [HERE](#)



## ICAS

Students whose parents enrolled them in the ICAS assessments have been completing them this week. There are still a few students who need to complete 1 or 2 of the assessments, they will complete those over the next week.

## KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION/ TRANSITION 2022

This Tuesday we welcomed the children and families who will commence at Prouille in Kindergarten next year, 2022. The children spent time in the Kindergarten classrooms with the 2022 Kindy Team and from all reports, had a wonderful time. They will spend time with us again next Tuesday followed by a Parent Information Night via Zoom at 7.00pm on the same night.

## 2022 CLASS TEACHERS

We are currently working on the staffing for the 2022 class teachers, I expect to announce the 2022 class teachers in the next fortnight's Newsletter.

## 2022 STEP-UP/ PROMOTIONS AFTERNOON

On Friday December 10<sup>th</sup> we will be holding our "Step-Up/Promotions" afternoon where all students who will be at Prouille in 2022 from Years 1-6 will spend the afternoon with their 2022 teachers in their new classrooms. This forms part of

our 'handover' process for 2022 which also includes one to one teacher meetings to discuss students for 2022. Parents will receive information regarding booking in for the 2022 Mathematics Assessment Interview (MAI) following the Step-Up afternoon.

## LUNCHER AT PROUILLE

We are delighted to announce that next year, commencing in Term 1, we will be partnering with a new startup company called "Luncher" who will be providing lunch orders at Prouille from the beginning of the year. It is an online ordering system that parents access to suit their needs. The orders are delivered to the school daily, in environmentally friendly recyclable containers. A hardcopy flyer will be sent home with students next week and a soft copy is attached to this newsletter.



## P&F AGM

Please note that the P&F Annual General meeting will be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.00pm. Venue information will be sent via Compass next week.

## BOOK PARADE

Next Friday, on the 19<sup>th</sup> November, we will be holding a Book Parade. Unfortunately, Level 3 COVID restrictions mean that parents are unable to attend. A Compass note was sent to families this week.

**Please note:** We understand that there are many family commitments at this time and while we encourage students to come to school dressed as their favourite book character, we know that it is not always feasible depending on family circumstances.



## RE CORNER

At Prouille we are excited to be part of the new Broken Bay K–2 RE Curriculum which will be commencing in 2022. The curriculum has been designed to meet the developmental needs of each child and provide children with opportunities to respond to the stories of Jesus with their hands, hearts and minds. This will be achieved via presentations, free expression and journaling in order to draw them into the mystery of God.

Through these experiences the children at Prouille will come to know Christ and develop understandings of the significance and meanings of scripture and liturgy for their lives. In the words of Bishop Anthony Randazzo, the *new RE Curriculum for Broken Bay supports students to “fall in love with Jesus”*. We look forward to working with students, parents and teachers on this exciting new journey.

**Samantha Sheather**  
REC

## LITERACY NEWS

This week Years 1-6 completed assessments called PAT tests (Progressive Achievement Tests) in Reading and Mathematics. These assessments allow teachers to accurately and efficiently measure students' abilities to diagnose gaps, strengths and weaknesses in student learning, and monitor student progress over time.

The assessments have been developed especially, but not exclusively, for use in Australian schools. The PAT assessments are designed to be engaging and to encourage students to interact with the content to the best of their ability. They allow teachers to collect evidence of student learning, to identify where students are in their learning at a given point in time, to monitor growth over time, and to reflect on student attainment. The use of assessment data is to help us to identify starting points for learning, target teaching and monitor growth.

**Sharon Kelly**  
Assistant Principal

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL) AT PROUILLE

### What is PBL?

At Prouille we have adopted a proactive and responsive approach to supporting student behaviour and learning. Our PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING) whole school approach is adapted from the PBIS (Positive Behaviour Intervention Support) system and has an emphasis on teaching children what behaviours are expected and then supporting them to be successful with these behaviours.

There are three school rules which the children know and understand: At Prouille we are ***Respectful, Responsible Learners***.

These three rules are each supported by more specific behavioural expectations that are aligned with our Dominican values, that include *we are fair and just, we make good choices, we show a positive attitude*, etc.

The behavioural expectations are taught in a variety of contexts across the school and children are given opportunities to use and practice these behaviours and students are rewarded when these positive behaviours are demonstrated.

When PBL is implemented well, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction. For the remainder of the year all classes (K-6) will focus on the following behaviours.

***At Prouille, we are responsible when we make good choices (Prayer & Contemplation)***

***At Prouille, we are learners when we are cooperative- Walk safely and respectfully around the school. (Community)***

Students will be provided with explicit lessons based on these rules, with opportunities to model and practise these behaviours in a supportive environment.

## HOME LINK

**How can parents support these behaviour expectations at home?**

**We are responsible when we make good choices.**

*How can I make good choices at home?*

*Discuss:*

*What could I do if my brother/ sister were mean to me?*

*What could I do if my brother/ sister were watching a TV show that I didn't want to watch?*

*What could I do if I found money in my house?*

**We are learners when we are cooperative.**

*Do we have rules at home for moving safely and respectfully around the house/yard?*

*Discuss as a family rules we have at home or in the car or when we are out with mum and dad that are about us being safe.*

*Design a poster to keep on the fridge to remind us of our safety rules.*

**Catherine Davidson  
BL Coordinator**

## STUDENT WORK

In the last Newsletter, I shared with you some outstanding work from two Year 5 students. This time I would like to share some Religion work from Pedro in Year 4.

### The Mustard Seed

Use your gifts to help not get, give not take. Do not do things and expect to get something in return. Preach like Jesus told us to do. Do not take credit for something someone else did. Get your gifts and use them for the good of the world. Do not get greedy because it will cause trouble. Be wise and follow Jesus. Give to people, sell all you own to have riches in heaven.

The mustard seed is so small but grows to be huge. It means that if you have the smallest amount of faith and you let it grow it will grow forever. Leading shall give you power but God can take that away quicker than the speed of light but if you preach you will have way more power and it is less likely for it to be taken away. Moses had lots of power because he believed in God and look at his reward! Do not bully and God will be glad, follow the Ten Commandments and you will inherit eternal life. Be disciples of Jesus and you will meet God. If you have troubles, the Bible will guide you and God will give you the power to do it.

**Pedro Holland Lopez (Year 4 Dingo)**





**IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Book Parade
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	End of Year Mass
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Step-Up/Promotions Day - 2022 Years 1 - 6
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Student Semester 2 Reports sent via Compass
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 6 Graduation Mass, Awards and Luncheon
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Last Day of Term for students
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022</b>	<b>Week 1 Term 1 2022</b> No Student Attendance (Staff Professional Development Day)
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022</b>	<b>Week 2 Term 1</b> MAI and Kindy Best Start Testing Day (Individual Student Appointments)
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2022</b>	Years 1 - 6 First Day Kindergarten - MAI and Best Start Assessments
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2022</b>	Kindergarten Students' first day of big school!

## FROM THE P&F

**Support our fundraiser**  
and never go to lost property again!

**Fundraising Code:**

**PROUILLE**



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onyou**

putting the fun back into  
**fundraising**

**Order at:** <https://www.stuckonyou.com.au/affiliate/fundraiser/PROUILLE>



# LUNCHER



Fresh, delicious lunches  
Delivered directly to kids at school



**PROUILLE**  
*Catholic Primary School*  
WAHROONGA

## School Lunch? Sorted.



1. We source  
Fresh seasonal  
produce



2. We prepare  
Delicious new meals  
every day



3. We deliver  
Directly to kids at school




4. We Collect & Clean  
Our reusable boxes  
ready for the next day

## FIRST WEEK FREE FOR PROUILLE FAMILIES


when you and a friend both sign up for Term 1 2022  
by November 21. Head to our website to get started







## Become a Luncher and enjoy...

- Great value
- Recipes from a pro Chef
- Zero waste, zero mess
- New lunch options weekly
- Plenty of fruit and veg
- All nut-free menus
- Real food, filling meals






## Too Easy




### Set & Forget

Luncher automatically syncs delivery days with your school calendar dates so once you've signed up; that's it. No more school lunch labour



### Your Lunch, Your Way

Enjoy your default preference every day, or choose your favourite option for each day in advance - the choice is yours



Pick up your Luncher box at school

Enjoy your delicious meal

Drop your box, we sterlilise & reuse it

luncher.com.au





## FROM THE PARISH



### **Preparing for Advent: A Retreat in Daily Life**

#### ***Do you thirst for Spiritual Conversation?***

All are welcome to join us in experiencing and praying  
**The First Spiritual Exercises (FSE)** during a Retreat in daily life.

Over five Wednesday evenings in November (from Nov 10<sup>th</sup> to Dec 8<sup>th</sup>) we will guide you through this gentle retreat, which offers participants the deeper graces of tender love, hope, faith and inner peace with the Lord.

The First Spiritual Exercises are series of prayer exercises created by St Ignatius of Loyola, offering guidance to those seeking a more intimate relationship with our Creator and a deep inner peace.

Participants are guided by Givers of the First Spiritual Exercises through a contemplative prayer each Wednesday (and then will continue at home during the week with prepared prayer exercises).

Throughout the Retreat you will be invited to pray, be silent, journal in your listening book, and then gather to listen and share your experiences with sacred listening and spiritual conversation.

Our facilitators, Karen and Cheryl, are Givers of the FSE completing their training and will be mentored and supported by their FSE trainers Anita Davine and Annmaree Sutton, members of the FSE national training team.

When: Starts **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November**  
Time: 7.30pm via Zoom

**Bookings are essential, numbers limited. Please contact Karen on 0433 570 184 or [Karen.e.wong@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.e.wong@gmail.com) to book and receive zoom details (or Jackie at the Holy Name parish office)**