



PROUILLE NEWSLETTER

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TERM 1

WEEK 2

Welcome to the 2022 School Year!

We are delighted to welcome all our families back and look forward to introducing everyone to new families, students and staff. Wednesday sees the official start of 'big school' for our Kindergarten students and we look forward to meeting all families in the Thomas Aquinas Playground, outside the Kindy Rooms at 9.15 am once all the big kids have gone into class.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Prouille Team to you all:-

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Principal:	Genevieve Smith
Assistant Principal:	Damien O'Brien
REC:	Samantha Sheather
Leader of Learning:	Jo Neilson

CLASS TEACHERS

K Kangaroo:	Catherine Davidson
K Koala:	Sabrina McCowage
Year 1 Rosella:	Jo Neilson
Year 1 Lyrebird:	Gabbie McKay
Year 2 Emu:	Samantha Sheather, Louise O'Brien-Pounde - Executive Relief
Year 3 Bilby:	Robyn Clyant
Year 3 Platypus:	Kate Roberts (M,T,W) Celeste Pan (Th, F)
Year 4 Kookaburra:	Rebecca Runnalls (M,T,W) Simone Hayward (Th, F)
Year 5 Echidna:	Caroline Willard
Year 6 Wallaby:	Damien O'Brien Louise O'Brien-Pounde – Executive Relief

Library/Technology	Rachael Lees (M, T, W)
Music:	Emma Jones (Tuesdays and Fridays)
Sport:	Got Game (Wednesdays)
Diversity Team:	Jane Emmerig (M, T, W) Ann Milling (M) Lee Williams (Learning Support Assistant) Karen Loduwick (Learning Support Assistant) Charlotte Henley-Fox (Learning Support Assistant) Lixia Zhan (Learning Support Assistant)

Office:	Carol White Olivia Abernathy
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MAI & BEST START TESTING DAYS

Thank you to all that have booked into the testing days this Monday and Tuesday. These assessments form the basis of planning and programming for targeted Numeracy teaching and learning. We appreciate the time and effort it takes to get your children to these days and thank you for your support. Please be assured that if there were no spaces available on these days, your child will be assessed over the next two weeks in line with CSBB policy.

COVID RESPONSE PLAN

Please refer to the lengthy letter sent to all families via Compass before the start of the year with the school and diocese's plan for return to school.

As part of our COVID Safety Plan, class windows and doors are left open throughout the day and at recess and lunch times, while the children are out of the rooms, air conditioners are used with the windows and doors open to bring fresh air into the rooms.

LIBRARY

There will be NO Library borrowing this week. We are calling for parent helpers/volunteers to assist in the library to reshelve books after borrowing (full training supplied!!) If you are able to assist us on a consistent weekly basis, please call the office as we would like to start this asap.

PARENT - HELPERS

This year, as restrictions ease, we will be calling parent volunteers to assist in the classroom with reading groups, sound practice and number skills. To be able to be a parent helper, adults must complete an online child protection module. If you are interested and would like to get started in preparation for when we can invite parents back into the classroom, please call the office for information.

Looking for **Parent**
Volunteers!

DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder that all children are strongly encouraged to bring their own labelled drink bottle to school each day. The children are able to refill their bottles from our new filling station that the P&F donated funds towards last year.



BUILDING WORKS

Over the coming weeks you will notice some building works taking place around the school. These include:

- Installation of the shade cloth over the St Thomas Aquinas Playground
- Roof and guttering work on the Water St side of the school building
- A major pathway redevelopment project behind the Kindergarten and Year 1 classrooms to allow for children-friendly access to the bottom playground
- Re-laying some of the artificial grass on the bottom playground

It is anticipated that these works will take 4 to 6 weeks and will involve sectioning off some parts of the school and playgrounds to ensure student and staff safety. We will keep you updated. This also provides some unique 'real-life' learning for Literacy, Numeracy, Science, etc and we will be taking full advantage of this great learning opportunity. Stay tuned for student news reports, podcasts, videos, stories and science explorations!

SPORT/PE AT PROUILLE



Prouille will be using the experienced and widely diocesan used company “Got Game” to deliver the curriculum outcomes for the Physical Education component of the PDHPE syllabus. Got Game uses fully qualified teachers and works from the Board of Studies Syllabus to deliver a comprehensive program over the 10 weeks of each term. Got Game will be here on Wednesdays so students all **wear their sports uniform on a Wednesday**. Class sport will also take place on a designated day throughout the week, see list below. Students are to also wear their sports uniform on their class sports day.

Tuesday: Year 4

Thursday: Year 3 & Year 6

Friday: Kindy, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 5

P&F CLASS CONTACT LIST

As in the past, the P&F allocated class parents that coordinate a class list of contact details. If you would like to be included on the class contact list please use the link below to fill out the google form with your details.

Link to fill in Class Contact Google Form:
<https://forms.gle/tQ1EUwfU4xXA1Vaw9>

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

We will be going ahead with our Swimming Carnival on Monday the 14th February so that we can determine our entries for the diocesan events. Unfortunately, it will be run like last year with competitors only and no parent spectators. This will be very sad for all families but in line with all other schools for the first four weeks of the term with limited parent access to school grounds and events.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school calendar on the Prouille Website is currently being updated to contain all the coming events. Please

bookmark this page as a way of keeping up to date with events.



PARENT INFORMATION NIGHTS & MEET THE TEACHER

We are planning on running these grade information nights during the first few weeks of this term in the school hall so we can allow for COVID Safe practices. This means we can not run them concurrently as we have only the one space to use. We will be sharing the information night dates and times at the end of this week.

LUNCHER

We are very excited to be starting our lunch order service this year. The Luncher team dropped in today to deliver their collection bins and give us a sample of their delicious and healthy meal choices. A flyer for families that still want to sign up is attached.



I look forward to working with you all this year.

Kind regards

Genevieve Smith
PRINCIPAL

Enrolment link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BPACQ>

When enrolling your child in the Children's Sacramental Program for the first time, please provide the following:

- Enrolment is online, Trybooking link <https://www.trybooking.com/BPACQ>
- Photocopy of your child's Baptismal Certificate, even if they were baptised at Holy Name Parish (can be emailed or a photocopy brought to Parent Info Night)
- Please email a photo of your child or bring to the Parent Info night or first lesson.

If, for any good reason, you cannot be present at the Parent Information Sessions, please contact the Sacramental Co-ordinator, Mrs Sally Oong, on 9489 3221 in office hours or by email on sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or leave a message at the Parish Office, prior to the specified date, to make alternative arrangements.

If your child has special needs or a disability we seek to accommodate them in our program so that they may be welcomed and participate in the program in the most helpful way for them. Please call or email Sally Oong for more information: sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au

Parish Family Mass dates for 2022- times TBC

Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in our regular Family Masses, which feature modern music and we always have a special morning tea afterwards:

Sunday 20 March	9.30am	All welcome: Hosted by Year 2
Saturday 8 May	9.30am	All Parish Children: Mothers' Day
Sunday 15 May	9.30am	All welcome Hosted by Years 1 & 5
Sunday 31 July	9.30am	All welcome Hosted by Years K & 6
Sunday TBA August	9.30am	All welcome: HOPE Mass
Sunday 16 October	9.30am	All welcome: Hosted by Year 4
Sunday 6 November	9.30 am	All welcome: Hosted by Year 3
Christmas Eve, 24th December, 5.00pm		All welcome to participate

Please contact Mrs Sally Oong if your children would like to participate by taking part in any Family Mass or by singing or playing a musical instrument. You are also always very welcome to bring a cake to share for morning tea!

Children's Sacramental Program Year 4 - 2022

Please note that this program may be subject to change, depending on the prevailing NSW Health Orders, but we shall do our best to complete the program and will change venues or go online, rather than change dates. Please enrol via Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/BPACQ> so we can keep in touch with you by email if anything changes.



Confirmation
2022



Reconciliation
2022



Eucharist
2022

Holy Name Parish
35 Billyard Avenue, Wairoa
www.holynamewairoa.com.au
T: 9489 3221
E: sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or
sacrament@holynamewairoa.com.au

Children's Sacramental Program 2022 - Year 4 +

Holy Name Catholic Parish, Wairoa
35 Billyard Avenue, Wairoa. Ph: 9489 3221

*** Please note that attendance at the Information Evening (Parent) and all Sessions/Masses (Parent/child) is compulsory ***



CONFIRMATION

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised and be in at least Year 4 at school for this program in First Term. The Year 3 Confirmation Program commences in Term 3 - see separate leaflet for Year 3.

In our Diocese of Broken Bay, Confirmation is celebrated before Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Parents' Welcome and Information Evening
Tuesday 15 February 7-9pm at Holy Name Church.
This is an information evening for parents/ carers, which includes refreshments. Please wear a mask.
Attendance or prior contact with Sally is compulsory.

Group Leader Training:
Tuesday 22 February, 7.00pm, Sunroom at the Church

Sacramental Preparation Groups:
These are held at Holy Name Church on:
Saturday, 26 February at 3.30pm,
Saturday, 5 March at 3.45pm,
Saturday, 12 March at 3.45pm,
Saturday, 19 March at 3.45pm
each followed by 5.00pm Mass at the Church.

Practice: Wednesday, 23 March, at Church, time TBC.

Celebration of Confirmation Mass at the Church:
Sunday 27 March, time TBC



RECONCILIATION

Eligibility: Candidates must be in at least Year 4. In our Diocese, the sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated before First Eucharist and after Confirmation.

Parents' Welcome and Information Evening
Attendance or prior contact with Sally is compulsory.
Tuesday 26 April 7pm-9pm in the Veritas Hall at Prouille School, 5 Water St, Wairoa (Plan B is at Church if necessary). This is an information evening for parents/carers, which includes refreshments.

Group Leader Training:
Tuesday 3 May, 7.00pm, Sunroom at the Church

Sacramental Preparation Groups:
These are held at Prouille School on:
Saturday, 7 May at 3.45pm,
Saturday, 14 May at 3.45pm,
Saturday, 21 May at 3.45pm,
each followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church.

Celebration of Reconciliation: (2 options)

Tuesday 24 May
5.15pm or 6.30pm at church



FIRST EUCHARIST

Eligibility: Candidates must be in at least Year 4. Reconciliation is celebrated before First Eucharist.

Parents' Welcome and Information Evening
Tuesday 17 May 7pm in the Veritas Hall at Prouille School or at the Church if necessary.
This is an information evening for parents/carers, which includes refreshments.
Attendance or prior contact with Sally is compulsory.

Group Leader Training:
TBC, Sunroom at the Church

Sacramental Preparation Groups:
These are held at Prouille School on:
Saturday, 28 May at 3.45pm
Saturday, 4 June at 3.45pm
Saturday, 11 June at 3.45pm,
Saturday, 18 June at 3.45pm,
each followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church.

Practices: Wednesday, 22 June, 2022
5pm (for Sat Mass), 6.30pm (for Sunday Mass)

Celebration of First Eucharist:
Saturday 25 June, 5pm Mass at Holy Name Church
OR
Sunday 26 June, 9.30am Mass at Holy Name Church



LUNCHER

Fresh, delicious lunches. Delivered directly to kids at school

luncher.com.au

First week free for Prouille families



School Lunch? Sorted.



1. We source
Fresh seasonal
produce



2. We prepare
Delicious new meals
every day



3. We deliver
Directly to your
kids at school



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



LEARN TENNIS AT Prouille with Alan Stopford Tennis Coaching
Over 35 years coaching in the local area
Term 1 2022 Information



Grading Days:

Thursday 3rd February years 3-6 7.30am to 8.30am

Friday 4th February years K -2 7.30am to 8.30am

With regular classes commencing Tuesday 8th February

Thursday 10th February (advanced) and Friday 11th February 2022

Cost is \$170 per term.

Wet weather program (undercroft)

Contact: Alan Stopford Tennis Australia Qualified Coach

Pay by cash, cheque and EFT. Make cheques payable to Alan Stopford

stopfordalan@gmail.com.

Phone: 0411 426 554

Email: stopfordalan@gmail.com

Website: stopfordtennis.com.au

Like us on Facebook: Alan Stopford Tennis Coaching



SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME

Transdev NSW supplies your school with school bus services for eligible students. Parents or students over 16 years of age, must apply for a School Opal or Child/Youth Opal card from www.opal.com.au before starting school. Please note that Transdev NSW has no involvement in this process.

THE IMPORTANCE OF TAPPING ON AND OFF - WHY DO STUDENTS NEED TO?

It's essential for all school students to travel with a valid School Opal Card or Child/Youth Opal Card so that we can understand customer travel patterns and can adjust the services provided if necessary.

Every time a student TAPS ON and OFF, they are counted on our service - when they don't, they are invisible.



Transport for NSW watch our school service patronage closely to monitor the need for services and those seen with low patronage may be withdrawn.

Together with our drivers, Customer Experience Ambassadors and other Transdev NSW staff, we ask that you encourage your children to have their Opal cards ready and TAP ON and OFF every single time they board our services.

The better data we have, the better we can service your school adequately. This is especially true if you or your school believe that you have capacity issues with your current services.

Please also see our 'Code of Conduct' document for students on buses, published by Transport for NSW.

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO HELP?

We ask that all parents ensure that their children have a valid Opal card for travelling to and from school each day and encourage them to TAP ON and OFF.

To apply for a School Opal card, you will need to live a minimum distance from your school to be eligible:

- Years K-2 (Infants) - No minimum distance.
- Years 3-6 (Primary) - 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking or further.
- Years 7-12 (Secondary) - 2km straight line distance or 2.9km walking or further.

If you do not meet this criteria, your child/children will need to carry a Child/Youth Opal card with funds loaded onto it.

It's important to remember that the School Opal card is only for travel to and from school on school days and doesn't cover travel to After School Care, school excursions, sport and other activities away from school,



so it's a good idea to get a Child/Youth Opal card for personal travel.

WHAT ELSE ARE WE DOING?

We are working closely with schools to improve Opal compliance and encourage students to TAP ON and OFF every time.

Where possible, we are encouraging schools to implement priority boarding for students with Opal cards and those without a card to board last.

Please note that our drivers are expected to ask students to TAP ON and OFF as part of their duties.

We will also be conducting random visits to schools to reinforce this message to students. Please encourage your child/children to TAP ON and OFF every time they ride.

We believe that a consistent and unified message from our drivers, schools and parents will help to change student behaviour.



Casual Work

Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai Local Government Area

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor with Transport for NSW!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
 - ✓ Community spirit
 - ✓ Positive energy



Scan the QR code or visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

For more information, please contact Caitlin Ritchie:

E: Caitlin.ritchie@transport.nsw.gov.au

P: 02 9983 2782

Applications close: 11:59pm, Sunday 13th February 2022

