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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter one of the most Holy and important seasons of our Catholic calendar, I would like to personally thank all students, parents, teachers, staff, and members of our extended Prouille community for all that they have contributed to this surprisingly busy yet fruitful Term. It never ceases to amaze me the way people come together in a variety of ways to support and nurture the students at this school. If you have a chance to browse through this edition of Veritas Voice, you will see a wonderful array of activities and experiences from over the last 3 weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Mrs Olivia Abernethy who (even with pleading) has decided to start her retirement journey at the end of this term. We thank her for her service, professionalism and compassion over the years and wish her all the very best in this new stage of her life.

We wish each and every family a holy, safe and restful Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone back (and some new students too!!) next term on Wednesday 26th April in full winter uniform.

God Bless and Happy Easter

Genevieve Smith
PRINCIPAL

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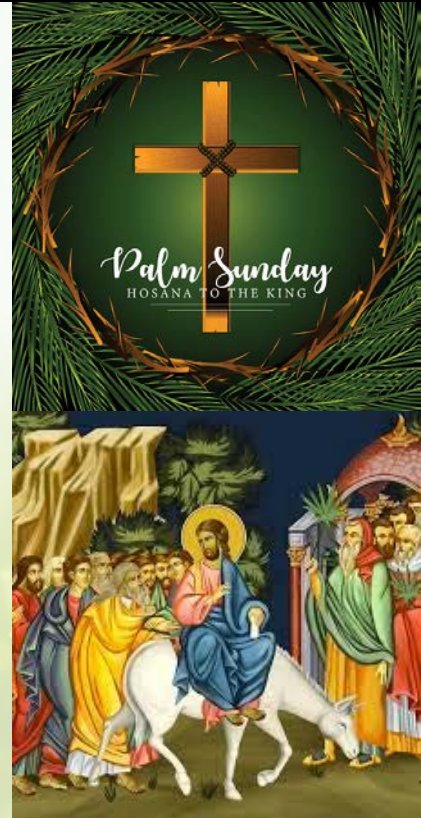
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PRAYER FOR SIXTH WEEK OF LENT

O Lord Jesus Christ,
when you entered Jerusalem,
great crowds waved palm branches and
cried "Hosanna."

Save us now from our sins,
and make us to rejoice in you,
our only Redeemer;
through your mercy, O our God,
you are blessed,
and live and govern all things,
now and forever. Amen.



UPDATE ON PROJECT COMPASSION

On Thursday 30th March, Prouille had a 'purple' mufti day to raise funds for Project Compassion. Students came dressed in the colour purple-the official colour for the season of Lent. It was an opportunity for students to learn about the meaning of Lent and to reflect on their choices during the Lenten season. We thank you all for your generous donations.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



HARMONY DAY LITURGY

On Tuesday, 21st March, Prouille came together as a school family to celebrate Harmony Day. We celebrate Harmony Day to promote diversity and acceptance of all cultures and people regardless of their gender, race and ability. The idea 'Everyone Belongs' is the very essence of Harmony Day. At Prouille, we celebrate inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for all Australians, from the traditional owners of the land to those who have come from many countries around the world to call Australia home. We had a wonderful turnout from parents who attended our open classrooms in the morning, which was followed by a beautiful Harmony Day liturgy led by Mrs Roberts and our Year 3 Platypus class.





INTERVIEW WITH FATHER KELVIN

Our two Mission Leaders from Year 6, Pedro Holland-Lopez and Madeleine Goodwin had the pleasure of conducting an interview with our new Parish Priest, Fr Kelvin this week. They asked questions to Fr Kelvin regarding his time as a priest, his family and even his hobbies. It was an opportunity to get to know Fr Kelvin and find out a little bit about his life. The Mission Leaders' full interview is below.

When did you become a priest and what church were you ordained at?

"I was ordained a priest in 1990 at St Michael's Church, Meadowbank"

Where have you worked as a priest?

"I have worked in many parishes all over Sydney such as Bankstown, Strathfield, Kogarah, St Mary's Cathedral, Balmain, Miranda, Bonnyrigg, Maroubra Bay and Rose Bay."

What made you want to become a priest?

"It was a strong calling from God when I was 25 in 1983. I wanted to help feel better about themselves"

Can you tell us a little about your family?

"I grew up in Glebe in the 1960's and 1970's. I have 3 older brothers and a younger sister, my mother and father. We lived in a terrace house together"

Where did you go to school?

"I attended primary school at St James in Forest Lodge and then High School at Holy Cross at Ryde"

What do you like most about being a priest?

"I love celebrating sacraments and mass, talking, listening and helping people so that I can bring them closer to Jesus."

What do you find challenging as a priest?

"Trying to talk to people about Jesus today as a lot of people sometimes don't want to hear about Jesus. It can sometimes be a little harder to get the message out there to people"



What do you like to do in your spare time?

"I love going to the beach, swimming, playing music-piano, going out with my priest friends on a Monday. I also like going to the movies and bush walking."

What is your favourite food?

"I love to eat Spaghetti Bolognese"

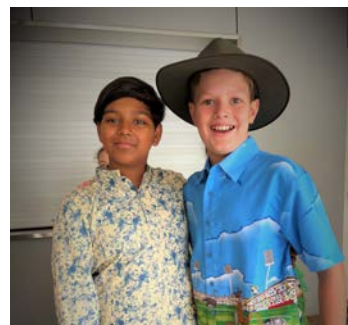
Do you have a special talent?

"I play the piano. I started learning when I was 12 and I played the organ in church. I love music"

HARMONY DAY & OPEN CLASSROOMS



On Tuesday 21st March, Prouille celebrated Harmony Day. Harmony Day was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our school and learn more about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians. Our students looked resplendent wearing their national dress, colours from their cultural heritage or a touch of orange, which was the colour of Harmony Day. We had a fantastic turnout from parents for our Open Classrooms in the morning, followed by a beautiful Harmony Day Liturgy led by Mrs Roberts and her Year 3 Platypus class. Thank you to everyone for your participation and effort to make this such a special day for us here at Prouille.



YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP DAY

On Thursday 30th March, our Year 6 students attended a Leadership Day conducted by CSBB. The theme of the day was "Fruitful Leadership", being based on the fruits of the Holy Spirit (where God's Spirit is active in the world).

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. (GALATIANS 5:22-23)

There was a busy schedule for the day including Zoom sessions from the Director of Schools, Danny Casey, and Bishop Anthony Randazzo, and group activities at school.



UPDATE ON CROSS COUNTRY

The Prouille School Cross Country Carnival was held on Gillespie Field at Knox Grammar, on Friday 24th March. This year all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 attended the carnival. The day included a walk of the track for all students, a one lap 'race' for all younger students, and official races for students turning 8-12 this year.

Results from the Carnival are outlined below. These students will proceed to the North Shore Cluster Carnival on Tuesday 2nd May.

Place	8yrs Boys	Place	9yrs Boys	Place	10yrs Boys	Place	11yrs Boys	Place	12yrs Boys
1st	William Moraleda	1st	Angus Kerr	1st	William Fullilove	1st	William Groom	1st	Orlando Cain
2nd	Aaryan Dua	2nd	Kobe Johnston	2nd	Tennyson Cain	2nd	Matthew Pepper	2nd	Ryan Littler
3rd	Ruoyong Liu	3rd	Viaan Singh	3rd	Luke Ringrose	3rd	Jack Wilson	3rd	Nathan Koon
4th		4th	Andy Wang	4th	Oliver Dillon	4th	Alexander Moraleda	4th	Pedro Holland Lopez
4th		4th	Andrew He	5th	Frank Wilson	5th	Jared Lee	5th	Christopher Doyle
6th		6th	Benjamin Neves Botelho	6th	Luke Wilson	6th	Charles Slade	6th	Zachary Leach

Place	8yrs Girls	Place	9yrs Girls	Place	10yrs Girls	Place	11yrs Girls	Place	12yrs Girls
1st	Amelia Ringrose	1st	Amelie Ogden	1st	Matilda Quoyile	1st	Ava Munce	1st	Adele Scully
2nd	Audrey Jones	2nd	Elise Sheridan	2nd	Georgina Quoyile	2nd	Georgia Kelly	2nd	Zara Leach
3rd	Penelope Brady	3rd	Skylar Jang	3rd	Sofia Campisi	3rd	Chloe Sheridan	3rd	Sivani Karthikeyan
4th	Lily Jordaan	4th	Amelia Roberts	4th	Elsie Adkins	4th	Jocelyn Gibbs	4th	Madeleine Goodwin
5th	Sofia Kamaleeva	5th	Amelia Bhatti	5th	Alice Hallam	5th	Kate Chappel	5th	Grace King
6th	Eliza Magpayo	6th	Emma Mina	6th	Grace Douglas	6th	Aurelia Bell	6th	Olivia Ringrose



Footloose

LIBRARY NEWS

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

It has been pleasing to see many students already adding books they have read to their Premier's Reading Challenge personal reading log. The upcoming holidays present the perfect opportunity to read more books from the reading lists. Local libraries are an additional resource for families to borrow a wider variety of titles. Keep up the amazing reading, Prouille!

School Holiday Literary Entertainment

The upcoming school holidays are approaching fast! Families may like to attend the following live shows based on three well-known literary masterpieces:

Possum Magic

"Pack your Grandma, pack your child, pack enough vegemite sandwiches and lamingtons for all and go and treat yourself to a bit of theatrical bush bewilderment in Possum Magic."

The Sydney Opera House presents Mem Fox's Possum Magic. This is being performed from **11th April to 22nd April**. Please see the following link for more information:

<https://www.sydneyoperahouse.com/events/whats-on/Kids-and-Families/2023/possum-magic.html?>

Fantastic Mr Fox

The Sydney Theatre Company presents Fantastic Mr Fox from **19th to 30th April**.

Please see the following link for more information:

<https://www.sydneytheatre.com.au/whats-on/productions/2023/fantastic-mr-fox>

Dr Seuss's The Cat in the Hat

"Two bored kids (This was way before iPads). One rainy day (We've all had a few those) and one crazy cat wearing a red-striped hat (Where was the background check for that babysitter?!)"

Laycock Street Theatre presents Dr Seuss's The Cat in the Hat. This is being performed from **4th July to 12th July**.

Please see the following link for more information:

<https://coastboxoffice.com/?show=D84E281E211CD380A65A394F57E9DC43>



PRINCIPAL AWARDS - TERM 1

<i>Class</i>	<i>Student</i>	
Kindergarten Koalas	Georgina Gale	Alice Devries
Kindergarten Kangaroos	Damon Abbasi	Hazel Schoenmaker
Year 1 Lyrebirds	Magnolia McInnes	Luke McVeigh
Year 1 Rosellas	Conor Rabbitt	Lia Vali Pour Goudarzi
Year 2 Emus	Stella D'Souza	Violet McInnes
Year 3 Platypus	Elizabeth Bizannes	Elise Sheridan
Year 4 Dingo	Tennyson Cain	Evie Jones
Year 4 Kookaburra	Aarush Vekaria	Mairead De Fries
Year 5 Echidna	Jocelyn Gibbs	Georgia Kelly
Year 6 Wallaby	Nathan Koon	Gabriel Edmunds
Principal's Awards Criteria for Nomination: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upholding the Dominican Values 2. Being Respectful, Responsible Learners (so our PBL values - consistent behaviour) 3. Citizenship and Compassion 4. Resilience and Perseverance 		

MERIT AWARDS - TERM 1

Class	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Kindy Koala	Harper Johnson & Ashley Gibbs	Dylan Issavi, Diyako Arbabzadeh & Naishe Mashumba	Leo Tsai & Aurelia Mannix	Ella Campbell & Ian Lee
Kindy Kangaroo	Chloe Cooper & Benjamin Momivand	Leonard Quarrell, Daniel Eghlima & Chloe Cooper	n/a	Reggie Chrystal & Damon Abbasi
Year 1 Lyrebird	Liana Behnam & Isla Coupland	Helena Arora & Aiden Ji	Lachlan Sinclair & Charlie Fullilove	James Zhang, Gabriel Gemayel, Dominic Hanley & Ruofan Liu
Year 1 Rosella	Claire De Fries & Bena Chomprasert	Alastair Senn & Johnny Huo	Oliver Clump & Harrison McRoberts	Anja Cronin, Harrison Gascoigne & Lachlan Mckie
Year 2 Emu	Vera Chrystal, Lennart Claros & Audrey Jones	Alexis Fitzgibbon, Isla Leutogi & Macayla Moltagh	Ruoyong Liu, Milan Tabar & Henry Wang	Yashlin Manigandan, Eliza Magpayo & Charlotte Sukari
Year 3 Platypus	Andy Wang & Georgie Gouveia	Angus Walsh & Andrew He	Amelie Ogden & Elanor McVeigh	Faith Murray & Amelia Roberts
Year 4 Dingo	Matthew Lo & Valentina Salinas	Tennyson Cain, Angus Webb, Allegra Polselli & Matilda Quoye	Oliver Dillon, Sofia Campisi & Max Richards	Liam Duggan, Luca Gemayel, Nicholas Luca & Catalina Pinto-Engel
Year 4 Kookaburra	Luke Wilson & Huxley Jordan	Annabelle Goodwin & Aarush Vekaria	Joshua Mckie & Ana Sofi Camelo Salisch	Zoe Haigh & Benjamin Neves-Botelho
Year 5 Echidna	Charles Slade & Georgia Kelly	Isis Nardi & Sid Kelvekar	Alice Hallam & Grace Chueh	Harriet Cheney & Alex Skatsulka
Year 6 Wallaby	Ariz Ahmed & Isabella Ong-Grimes	Emma Murray & Kate Chappel	Ryan Littler & Alfred Mina	Chloe Sheridan & Pedro Holland Lopez

OPEN DAYS

We held our first two Open Day sessions (morning and evening) last Wednesday 29th March and we were delighted by the wonderful turnout of prospective families visiting our school. Our Year 6 Captains did a fantastic job of showing our families around and we thank you for your efforts.

Our next Open Day will be held on Wednesday 2nd August at 10-11am and 6-6:30pm. Please scan the QR code below to register.



OPEN DAY



PROUILLE
Catholic Primary School
WAHROONGA

Our Open Day is a structured morning that will provide you with an opportunity for meaningful insight into our school



Meet our Principal, teachers, learning specialists, students and other families



Learn about Prouille's faith-led approach well-rounded education, small class sizes and personalised learning experiences



Visit our classrooms, playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, library and gardens



Gain a real sense of Prouille's welcoming and nurturing community

Wed 2 August 2023
10-11am & 6-6:30pm

Come and experience first-hand why Prouille is the perfect choice for your children



Scan Now
To Register

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*Inspiring hearts and minds to know Christ,
to love learning, to use their talents
to be the very best they can be.*



P&F TRIVIA NIGHT - FRIDAY 28TH APRIL

Our P&F Trivia Night is being held on Friday 28th April from 6:30pm in the Prouille School Hall. To purchase tickets please book via the Trybooking website. You can search for the event or go to the following link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1037616>

TERM 2 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Quick Reference Guide to Upcoming Events for <u>Term 2</u>			
Link to Website Calendar			
2023			
Week	Date	Event	Grade
1	24.4.23	Staff Professional Development Day No students	No students
	25.4.23	ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY No students or teachers	No students
	26.4.23	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 All Students - Full Winter Uniform	K-6
	26.4.23	Year 6 Leadership Day Excursion	Year 6
	26.4.23	ANZAC DAY LITURGY 9.15am in the Hall Parents Welcome	K-6 & parents
	28.4.23	School Assembly Kindergarten Led Liturgy for Easter 2.15pm School Hall	K-6 & parents
2	2.5.23	North Shore Cluster Cross Country	Invited participants only
To be updated fortnightly			

PROUILLE P&F INVITES YOU TO

Trivia NIGHT



When: Friday 28th April
Doors open: 6:30 pm
Trivia starts: 7.00 pm

Where: Prouille School Hall

BYO: Food & Beverages, decorations for tables

Cost: \$10 per person (tables of 8)

Booking: Use trybooking link below, form your own table of 8 or contact Prouille P&F to join a team. <https://www.trybooking.com/1037616>



This is an adult only event