



PROUILLE NEWS

29 April, 2008

Term 2 Week 1 2008

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 2.

Preparation is under way for Prouille's Biennial Musical – 'Vaudeville'.

Dates: July 1 – Dress Rehearsal

July 2 – Matinee Performance 12.00 pm

Evening Performance 7.00 pm

July 3 – Evening Performance 7.00 pm

School Registration

Tier 2 will be held over two days next week: Monday 5 May and Tuesday 6 May. This is the second and final stage of the Registration process required by the Board of Studies.

A reminder to all Parents/Carers: On Tuesday 6 May (second day of Tier 2), you are invited to attend a meeting with the Panel to share your thoughts: from 8.45 am – 9.45 am.

The Panel is as follows:

Chair: Kathleen Hughes

Panel: Michelle Smith – Schools Consultant
Leanne Nicol – Educational Services
Amanda Whitfield – Educational Services
Mark Bateman – Principal
Meredith Tomkins – Principal
Andrew Fraser – Religious Education
Erica Ryan – Gifted & Talented
Gail Gill – Religious Education

Staff Inservice – Pupil Free Day – Monday 28 April

A most productive day was achieved for teachers on Monday. The "Primary Connections" as a program develops the Literacies of Science that students need to learn and to represent their understanding of Science concepts, processes and skills.

'Primary Connections' has, and is continuing to develop, curriculum units based on principles of effective teaching and learning of Science with a major focus on the Literacies of Science, but it is fundamentally concerned with pedagogy.

Mrs Julie Selkirk, our Presenter, certainly kept staff busy with a most rewarding, innovative, informative day.

Thank you parents for your support of Teachers' Inservice days.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following recipients of Merit Awards: Zoe Trinder (2L), Isabelle Rodriguez-Orhan (KM), Abbie Mulcaster (1LT) and William Gilbert (4H).

Congratulations to the Lonsdale family (Hannah 2P) on the birth yesterday of their new baby boy, Finley Robert.

Welcome to the Ley family (Molly 4H & Oscar 2P) who joined the Prouille community today.

Julie Price Randall (Principal)

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Uniform Changeover

The change over date for students to wear Winter Uniform is Monday 12 May 2008.

School Photographs this year will be taken of all students in their Summer Uniform on Friday 9 May.

If parents wish to send children in their Winter Uniform, due to cold weather, prior to 12 May - that's fine.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Price Randall
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 2

2.05.08	Friday	Enrolment Applications due to be returned. 8.55 am – Anzac Day Liturgy at Assembly.
5.05.08	Monday	Prouille's School Registration – Tier 2 begins today. North Shore Cluster Cross Country – St Ives Showground.
6.05.08	Tuesday	Prouille's School Registration - Tier 2 continues: 8.45 am – 9.45 am – Parent/carer input invited.
8.05.08	Thursday	8.55 am – Mothers' Day Liturgy. 7.30 pm – Parents Meeting - Holy Communion Registration – in School Hall.
9.05.08	Friday	School Photographs – Summer Uniform to be worn. No Assembly to be held today due to school photos. 7.30 pm – Mothers' Day complimentary Night of Indulgence - in the School Hall.
10.05.08	Sunday	1 pm – 5 pm - Prouille Working Bee – Years 3 & 4.
12.05.08	Monday	Changeover to Winter Uniform.
13.05.08	Tuesday	National Tests (Basic Skills) from 13-15 May for Years 3 & 5.

REMINDER

- ❖ Prouille Newsletter is now available on our website: www.prouille.com.au
- ❖ Prouille Parents & Friends' Newsletter available online at www.prouillepandf.com.au
- ❖ Uniform Shop opens Tuesdays 8.45 am – 9.45 am & Thursdays 3 pm – 4 pm



ENROLMENT INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS IN 2009

ENROLMENT FORMS TO BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 2 MAY 2008

Interview Dates for New Families: Monday 26 May – Wednesday 28 May 2008
Interview Times: 9.30 am – 2.00 pm
 Tuesday 10 June & Wednesday 11 June 2008
Interview Times: 9.30 am – 2.00 pm

*** Please book your appointment for parent/s and child. Interviews should take about 20 minutes. ***

Group Screening for Siblings: Tuesday 3 June 2008 at 9.15 am



R.E. NEWS

- **Mothers' Day Liturgy** will be held on Thursday 8 May at 8.55 am.
- There will be no Assembly held on Friday 9 May, due to School Photographs.

Tracey Mavromatis (Acting R.E.C.)

SPORTS NEWS



Congratulations to Shannon Ashton (5T), who won the Bronze Medal for the 11 yr Girls 50m Breaststroke at PSSA in a time of 40.28, which was a PB. There were 5 heats - a total of 45 girls, so an amazing result. She also finished 20th in the 11yr girl 50m Freestyle. Well done, Shannon!

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – FRIDAY 9 MAY

Envelopes have gone home today with a letter. Family photo envelopes are available in the School Office.

CHESS PROGRAM IN TERM 2

Just a reminder that Chess is starting up again on Monday 5 May (Term 2 Week 2) and Thursday 1 May (Term 2 Week 1). Any students in the Monday group may attend the Thursday class for the first week only, due to the lost Week 1 Monday class.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Luke D’Cruz (3/4M) and Nicholas Mitchell (4H), who play for St Ives Junior Cricket Club in the U10 competition for in the North Sydney Junior Cricket Association (NSJCA). They were top of their division, ending up as Minor Premiers in 2007/08. They were awarded a baggy cap from their club and a medallion from the NSJCA. Most importantly, they had a lot of fun and encourage others to play cricket next season.

CONNECTING U PARENT2PARENT NEWSLETTER

The latest newsletter from the Diocesan Parent Council has been sent home today.

Sue Bull, Parent Liaison Officer from the Broken Bay Diocesan Parent Council, has sent the following note:

For new readers,

- *The aim of the newsletter is to provide a whole range of information about educational and parenting issues relevant to families and caregivers.*
- *The newsletter provides snapshots of information about the Diocesan Parent Council activities, provides different links and recommends various “good” sites for content relevant to the different ages and stages of children’s development – ie early childhood; early childhood & early schooling, secondary and towards senior years.*
- *Just skim through the newsletter, reading the section that is relevant to the age of your child.*

We hope you enjoy the latest newsletter. For past copies contact the Diocesan Parent Council on parentcouncil@dbb.edu.au

*Watch out for our **NEW Broken Bay Diocesan Parent Council website** – it’s almost ready and will enable you to access all the Diocesan Parent Council (DPC) resources and information. More news soon!*

COME ON KIDS! ONLINE MATHEMATICS PROGRAM

This term, five students from Stage 2 are trialling a new online Mathematics program called ‘Come On Kids!’ It is a “virtual classroom” in *myclasses* on CASTnet to connect academically able students from a number of schools in Broken Bay Diocese. It consists of a ‘virtual teacher’ and an active online community of a range of students who communicate using Journals, Notice Boards and email. If the program is successful at Prouille, children from Stage 1 will be considered to join the program later in the year. Children are selected by classroom teachers according to a strict criterion of social and academic knowledge and skills.

At Prouille we understand that there are many students in our school that love to challenge themselves and are academically able in Mathematics. Therefore, every child is now a member of a *myclasses* class on CASTnet called ‘Come On Prouille Kids!’ This page contains Mathematical challenges and activities that your child can access in their own time or be used as extra tasks for homework. The page will be updated throughout the year.

If you have any questions regarding the ‘Come On Kids!’ online program or the ‘Come On Prouille Kids!’ class page, please do not hesitate to contact Rachael Holland through the school office.

Rachael Holland (I.T. Co-ordinator)

Community News

- **Kuring gai Local Area Command – NSW Police Force:**

Notice regarding the removal of Safety House signs

‘As you are aware the Safety house scheme was wound up early last year. It was anticipated that all related safety house signs would have been removed by now. Apparently there are still signs remaining on street poles and power poles as well as private ‘letter box’ signs.

The Kuring gai Local Area Command is now seeking the assistance of all schools and parents of students in locating and the removal of remaining signs. Any sign attached to either private property or school property such as fences etc is to be removed and can be destroyed or returned to Hornsby police for the attention of Senior Constable CLEARY, where it will be destroyed.

If the sign is on public land like a power pole or a dedicated street pole then the local council can be contacted as they have the responsibility to remove these. The council contacts area as follows:

Kuring-gai Council

Switch 9424-0000

Ask for the Department of Operations

Hornsby Council

Switch 9847-6666

Works Division direct 9847-6940

Both councils have been notified and will take down signs in their relevant areas.’

- **Drama Develops Kids – Helen O’Grady Drama Academy**

Developmental drama classes are held for students between 5-16 yrs in the following areas:

Epping, Eastwood, West Killara, St Ives, Pymble, Lane Cove, Willoughby and Wahroonga

Our classes develop confidence, speech skills and social skills while having fun. Or just enrol because your child has a flair for drama. Taking enrolments for Term 2 now.

Phone Principal Peter Hughes on 9985 8866.