



# PROUILLE NEWS

22 September, 2009

Term 3 Week 9 2009

Dear Parents,

The fast approaching month of October is a particularly special month for Prouille School. Tradition has it that Our Lady (Mary, the Mother of Jesus) gave The Holy Rosary to St Dominic; Prouille School is, of course, a school founded in the Dominican tradition. The Catholic Church recognises the fast approaching month of October as "The Month of The Rosary", and each class at Prouille will be saying a decade of The Rosary each day in class. Because of the school holidays, we will have to extend our commitment to The Rosary into November. It will be an even more powerful commitment if families can support by praying The Rosary at home each day in October/November too.

The Rosary has 4 Holy Mysteries, and each Mystery has 5 decades to pray (thus, a total of 20 decades over 20 school days). Thanks to The Rosary Society, each student will be given a set of beads to keep and a brochure explaining how to pray The Rosary. Below is a list of the 4 Holy Mysteries:

## Joyful Mysteries

1. The Annunciation.
2. The Visitation.
3. The Nativity.
4. The Presentation of Jesus at the Temple.
5. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.

## Luminous Mysteries

1. The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan.
2. The Wedding at Cana.
3. Jesus' Proclamation of the Kingdom of God.
4. The Transfiguration.
5. The Institution of the Eucharist.

## Sorrowful Mysteries

1. The Agony in the Garden.
2. The Scourging at the Pillar.
3. The Crowning with Thorns.
4. The Carrying of the Cross.
5. The Crucifixion.

## Glorious Mysteries

1. The Resurrection.
2. The Ascension.
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit.
4. The Assumption of Mary.
5. The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## Prouille's Pastoral Care / Anti-Bullying Policy

Prouille School's Leadership Team has commenced the first part of the review of the school's Pastoral Care / Anti-Bullying Policy; all school staff will be reviewing the policy in the coming weeks. Parents will be pleased to know that our new School Visioning Mission will be at the heart of the review process. The newly revised Pastoral Care / Anti-Bullying Policy will be advertised for the community in Term 4.

## Congratulations, Team Prouille

Congratulations to all staff members at Prouille who were able to support the Autism Spectrum Association (Aspect) in last weekend's charity marathon. Thank you to all the parents and friends of Prouille who gave generously to support the fundraiser too; a massive \$1650 was raised for **Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect)**. Finally, I was thrilled to see several Prouille parents entering into the spirit of the fundraiser and running last Sunday too!

## Bacon Roll Day – Thursday 1 October

Because we have a substantial left over supply of bacon from the Fathers' Breakfast, Prouille School will be having a "Bacon Roll Day" on Thursday 1 October. A Bacon Roll Order form is being sent home for each child today.

### **Philip Ledlin (Principal)**

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**P+F Function ... "Are you smarter than a 5th Grader?"**

Unfortunately this P&F function has had to be postponed at this stage – further details concerning the event have been given by the P& F Social Committee in this newsletter.

**St Lucy's Museum - Open for Prouille / Holy Name - Monday 28 September**

Parents and Friends of Prouille and Holy Name Parish are invited to visit St Lucy's School Museum that is rich in Prouille's and St Lucy's history. Indeed, the Museum is rich in our Dominican history!

Everyone is warmly invited to the usual weekday Parish Mass at Holy Name Church on Monday 28 September at 9.15 am. After this Mass you are warmly invited to visit St Lucy's School Museum at 10.30 am. (NB the Museum is in the former Convent building in St Lucy's grounds.)

**Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day) - Friday 23 October**

As per the Prouille Parent Calendar 2009, parents are reminded that there is a Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day) in the first week of Term 4 – Friday 23 October. Staff will be developing ways to best integrate ICLT (Information, Communication + Learning Technology) into Literacy teaching / learning at Prouille.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Ledlin  
Principal

<b>IMPORTANT DATES</b>
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23.9.09	Wednesday	Last day for Book Club orders.
24.9.09	Thursday	Polding Athletics Carnival.
25.9.09	Friday	Last day for Bacon Roll orders.
28.9.09	Monday	9.15 am – Parish Mass at Holy Name Church. 10.30 am – All parents/carers invited to visit St Lucy's School Museum.
29.9.09	Tuesday	1 pm – Lunchtime Recital in Hall featuring the String Ensemble.
30.9.09	Wednesday	Gateway Project.
1.10.09	Thursday	Bacon Roll Day.
2.10.09	Friday	Last day of Term 3. Dominican Conference, Adelaide (2/10/09, 3/10/09 & 4/10/09) – Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Dillon & Mr Ledlin attending.
19.10.09	Monday	First day of Term 4 – Summer Uniform to be worn.
23.10.09	Friday	Staff Development Day – Pupil Free day.
26.10.09	Monday	7.30 pm - Prouille Soccer Club Annual General Meeting in School Hall.
6.11.09	Friday	9.00 am – 10.45 am - Orientation Morning following Whole School Assembly.
13.11.09	Friday	9.00 am – 10.00 am – K2010 Playgroup Session 1.
20.11.09	Friday	9.00 am – 10.00 am – K2010 Playgroup Session 2.

**CHANGE TO SUMMER UNIFORM**

The changeover to Summer Uniform is on the first day of Term 4 – Monday 19 October.



<b>REMINDER</b>
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- ❖ Prouille Newsletter is now available on our website: [www.prouille.com.au](http://www.prouille.com.au)
- ❖ Prouille Parents & Friends' Newsletter available online at [www.prouillepandf.com.au](http://www.prouillepandf.com.au)
- ❖ Uniform Shop opens Tuesdays 8.45 am – 9.30 am & Thursdays 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
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*I shall pass through this world but once.  
 Any good thing therefore I can do,  
 or kindness I can show,  
 to any human being,  
 let me do it now.  
 Let me not defer it, or neglect it,  
 For I shall not pass this way again.*

- anon

This beautiful, reflective verse was the basis of our prayer at staff meeting this week. It was shared by Miss Toms and soon became the “mantra” of many. At times we are challenged to “be” in the moment and empathise with others, no matter what their situation or need. With Jesus as our guide and example, we are reminded of how important our interactions and relationships are – and the need for them to be genuine. Currently, in Year Two, we are learning about the role of the Holy Spirit within our lives. The “gifts” of the Spirit have well been discussed and related to personal experiences. Perhaps we need to be mindful of these gifts as we move within the “busy-ness” of life – courage, right judgment, wonder and awe, understanding, knowledge, wisdom and reverence – so that we may reap the “fruits”.

### **“Jesus. All About Life” Campaign**

This is an ecumenical initiative within NSW to promote across all Churches and within all media outlets the message of Jesus. It is an initiative that hopes to encourage inter-faith dialogue, as well as opportunities for Christians to talk with non-Christians. The campaign will last throughout September, and for more information please refer to the official website [www.jesusallaboutlife.com.au](http://www.jesusallaboutlife.com.au)

The campaign also asks us to reflect on “Who is Jesus to me?” Many prominent Catholic writers in the past have often reflected this very same point. One is written below by Hildegard of Bingen:

*I saw a serene Man coming forth from this radiant dawn, who poured out his brightness into darkness; and it drove him back with great force, so that he poured out the redness of blood and the whiteness of pallor into it, and struck the darkness such a strong blow that the person who was lying in it was touched by him, took on a shining appearance and walked out of it upright. (Scivias, Book 2)*

### **October: Month of the Rosary**

Whilst we are still in the month of September, October is fast approaching. For us at Prouille, and in connecting with our Dominican heritage, we will be having as our prayer focus throughout October the Rosary. We have been supplied a school set of rosary beads by The Rosary Society, so that each child will have this special opportunity. Given that October commences at the very end of term, the main Rosary focus will begin Monday of Week One in Term 4. However, given that many families integrate prayer into their daily ritual at home, we encourage you to begin the Rosary during the school holidays, with your child/children. If you would like more information on how to pray the rosary, the following website is extremely helpful: <http://www.medjugorje.org/rosary.htm>

### **Confirmation**

We continue to pray for the children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. A reminder to parents that the piety stall at Holy Name is a wonderful place to go for any relevant gifts you may be after. Both Ian and Margaret have received a list of the Saint names the children have chosen, and have tried to order gifts that will reflect these choices. The piety stall is open after Mass on Saturday night and Sunday.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS (Cont.)

### **St Lucy's Museum Visit**

A reminder that parents are invited to attend the St Lucy's Museum on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September. The visit will take place following the morning Parish Mass at 9.15 am, which will be attended by Philip and the Year 4 Play Buddies.

The Museum was established as part of the celebration of St Lucy's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2006. Archives had previously been stored in the school library and memorabilia was stored uncatalogued in the Convent. Whilst not everything is as yet displayed, the collection that has been catalogued is very informative of the story of St Lucy's. When all the Dominican Sisters and past students came for the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, more stories and anecdotes were collected, and they have been kept in the archives.

The creation of the Museum also enabled the current staff, parents and students to be better informed of the "bigger picture" that they were a part of, and for us at Prouille, it helps us understand our connection all the more.

We continue to pray for those in our community in need of our prayers.

Wishing you peace and blessings.

Vanessa Dillon (R.E. Co-ordinator)

## NSW UNIVERSITY ENGLISH COMPETITION

Congratulations to all students who participated in the recent University of NSW English Competition. Only 35 students competed, but over one-third achieved either Credit or Distinction.

Additionally, for all grades (Years 3, 4 5 & 6) our students performed well above the State average.

Certificates will be presented to students during Friday Assembly.

### **Distinction**

Jonathon Crouch – Year 5  
Natalie Oong – Year 5  
Kate Nicol – Year 4  
Prudence Luttrell – Year 4  
Stephanie Sardinha – Year 3  
Yvette Crouch – Year 3

### **Credit**

Adelaide Falzon – Year 6  
Olivia Mueller – Year 5  
Alana Christenson – Year 5  
Faith Felipe – Year 4  
Jacqueline Truong – Year 4  
Claudia Christenson – Year 3  
Luke Gilbert – Year 3



## LIBRARY MATTERS



Thank you to everyone who looked in the cupboard, under the bed, on the bookshelf and in their desk for those overdue library books, many of which are now back on our library shelves. There are, however, a large number of books still outstanding and we would appreciate your help in locating them.

Please encourage your children to search for overdue books, as it is their responsibility to return them to us. Sometimes books are returned and end up back on the shelf without being scanned in. If you are certain something has been returned, please let us know and we will search for it here.

For books lost, we have set a blanket fee of \$15.00 per book. As you will appreciate, many books are more costly than this and we think this is a fair price. You may either pay for a lost book or, if you prefer, you can replace it with another copy.

Please send cash or cheque to Prouille School Library.

Jo Neilson & Lee-Anne Plasto (Teacher Librarians)

## BOOK CLUB

A quick reminder to get your Book Club orders in by Wednesday 23rd September (tomorrow). Any order, no matter how small, contributes to bonus points. These points convert to free books for our classrooms and library.

Thank you. Any enquiries, please contact me.

Trudi Sommers Book Club Co-ordinator (9487 1990).

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to the school community's fear of not being smarter than a 5<sup>th</sup> grader – i.e. lack of numbers and time constraints - the Term 4 function, “Are you smarter than a 5<sup>th</sup> Grader”, is postponed.

The feasibility of this event will be reassessed in Term 4.

Thank you to all those that replied and offered to help.

Your ongoing support is always appreciated.

The Social Committee

## SPORTS NEWS

### Broken Bay Track & Field Results

Last week several Prouille children participated in the Broken Bay Track & Field Trials. Their results are as follows:

*Cedric Danso-Boame	9 Year 100 m	1 <sup>ST</sup>
*Griffin Carroll	12 Year 100m	2 <sup>ND</sup>
	12 Year 200m	2 <sup>ND</sup>
	12 Year High Jump	3 <sup>RD</sup>
	12 Year Long Jump	2 <sup>ND</sup>
*Vanessa Andersen	Junior Shot Put	3 <sup>RD</sup>
	Junior Discus	1 <sup>ST</sup>
*Julian Chan	12 Year 200m	2 <sup>ND</sup>
Chloe Vardy	12 Year Long Jump	4 <sup>TH</sup>
	12 Year 100m	5 <sup>TH</sup>
	12 Year 200m	9 <sup>TH</sup>
Emma Andrews	12 Year Discus	4 <sup>TH</sup>
Jared Pejkoivic	12 Year Discus	6 <sup>TH</sup>
James Freidman	Senior 800m	6 <sup>TH</sup>
Senior Boys Relay		4 <sup>TH</sup>

\* These children will now progress to the Polding Championships next Thursday in Newcastle. Shannon Ashton has also qualified to run the Senior Girls 800m.

### National Swimming Championships – Perth

As you know, Shannon Ashton (6F) is currently in Perth for the National Swimming Championships. Last week we received news that Shannon had **WON a BRONZE MEDAL (3<sup>RD</sup>) in 100m Breast Stroke** and she placed **5<sup>TH</sup> in 50m Breast Stroke**.

Congratulations Shannon on receiving a medal at this elite level.

We are all very proud of you!!



Louise Tamone (PE/Sport Teacher)

## SOCCER NEWS

### **Prouille Soccer Club (one for the adults):**

Congratulations to Prouille Soccer Club for being the second club in KDSA history to win both a Premiership in over 45s and over 35s in the same year; the only Club to have this double in 2009. Prouille now has the record for the most premiership titles in Div' 2 Over 35s, plus the Club championship from 2001.

Additionally, Prouille has been only one of a few teams to defeat Rangers in their 5 year reign of terror as Div 1 Over 35 Premiers. Not since 2001 has the mighty Prouille had two premier winning teams to add to our 1997 premiership.

All parents are warmly encouraged to join Prouille Soccer Club in 2010 – Both Ladies & Gentlemen!

Below is a lovely victory photo!



### **Prouille Soccer Club - Double Champions – Over 45s & Over 35s**

## MUSIC NEWS



The next Lunchtime Recital on Tuesday 29 September will feature a collection of pieces performed by the String Ensemble.

Please join us at 1pm next Tuesday in the Hall for a lunchtime of music.

Moira Hutchinson

**REBEL STORE - HORNSBY WESTFIELD**  
**20% OFF STOREWIDE: ONE DAY ONLY**  
**THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER from 9 AM - 9 PM**  
**Just Mention PROUILLE SCHOOL when purchasing**  
**(PROUILLE REGISTRATION NO. 28217)**  
**and/or swipe your MVP Card so that**  
**Prouille School receives 5% commission**

## WATER ST NETBALL PRESENTATION DAY & AGM

Thank you to all our volunteers for making our Water St Netball Presentation Day on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September an enormous success. We had many dozens of parents, netball players, siblings and friends at Wahroonga Park enjoying the sunshine, sausage and steak sandwiches, cool drinks and excellent company. Thanks especially to our BBQ Dads: Mr Silvio Sella, Mr Paul Hurstfield and Mr Stuart Quirk for their mighty barbecuing efforts.



The Presentation of trophies to all our players, including 24 Funnet girls (under 6) was a highlight, as always, as each girl excitedly received her engraved trophy, plus a treat. Our Coaches and Managers were the proud presenters of the trophies to their own teams. We are very proud of the team spirit displayed by all our Water St girls throughout the season.

Congratulations again to our champion 12B team, Grand Final victors, plus a very honourable mention to the 11B team and Intermediate 1 team, as both teams were runners-up at the end of their very closely contested Grand Finals, losing by only 1 point (after extra time) and 4 points, respectively. Three out of five teams making the Grand Finals was a brilliant result for our small club. The two Netta 8 teams, while not yet playing competition, had a great round robin season and have all advanced greatly in their netball skills. The Funnet girls, well, they had lots of fun and also enjoyed the NSW Netball NetSetGo programme in which we participated for the first time this year. They each received their own kit with a bag, ball, towel and water bottle and 'trained' for several weeks with a NSW Netball NetSetGo coach.

## SMALL CLUB OF THE YEAR 2009

Water St Netball was awarded the "Small Club of the Year 2009" by the KNA, and many thanks to Jenny Leadbeatter, Lynne Pinker and Maria Krnjulac for their services to KNA on our behalf. Jenny Leadbeatter was also awarded the KNA 2009 "Volunteer of the Year".



The 2009 Water St Netball Coaching Award went to Kath Marren for services to Water St coaching way above and beyond the call of duty, being coach not only for the 24 Under 6 Funnet girls for all of term 2, but also for the 9A team. Lynne Pinker also deserves an honourable mention in the coaching arena, as she greatly assisted not only with coaching the 9C team but also the 11B team, especially towards and during the finals. A very special award, The Water St Netball President's Award, was unanimously awarded to Mrs Carol White, our gracious school secretary, whose help at the beginning of the season in helping sort out all our netball girls, was invaluable, and her assistance continued throughout the season.

Final thanks to all our Water St Netball Committee members for 2009. We had many new faces, and managed to complete a very successful season on all fronts. If anyone with IT skills is able to help us on a couple of website points, we would love to hear from you. We move forward to 2010 with several more new faces joining us on the Committee and our outlook for the 2010 season is very positive.

Sally Oong, Water St Netball (Pres.) (0433 817 114)

### SUMMER SWIMMING CLASSES

#### HEATED POOLS

**Bush School; Lady Davidson Hydro Pool**



**Book now for Holiday & Term Classes**

**Contact Chris Curran: curran100@gmail.com**

## Community News

- **Bush School Learn To Swim Club - 71 Burns Road, Wahroonga 2076**  
Voluntary organisation established over 40 years  
Have your children taught to swim by our qualified and experienced instructors
  - Age Group: 4 years to 12 years (School Year 6, 2009)
  - When: Saturdays from 7<sup>th</sup> November 2009 to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010
  - Water Temperature: constant 27°C
  - Season Cost: \$90 for 1 child, \$140 for 2 children, \$180 for 3 children  
(cost includes insurance)
  - Enrolments: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2009 at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm  
(or on later Saturdays from November) at the Bush School pools.  
New enrolments should bring a swimsuit for grading.
  - Enquiries:
 

Frances Simpson-Lee	9489 1579
Carolyn Cross	9489 2415
Karen Seddon	9476 3382
  
- **Ku-ring-gai Council School Holiday Program – Dates: 6-16 October from 8 am to 6 pm**  
(Please note: All centres are closed on Monday 5 October – Labour Day (Public Holiday)  
**Website:** [www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays](http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays)  
Bookings are now open. Some brochures are available from the School Office.  
To lodge your booking, do one of the following:
  1. **Fax** completed booking form with payment details to 9424 0207 **OR**
  2. **Post** booking form, cheque/money order to: Leisure Coordinator, Ku-ring-gai Council,  
Locked Bag 1056, Pymble NSW 2074 **OR**
  3. **Pay in person** with your booking form at the Council Chambers.**Please note: Bookings close Monday 28 September. No late bookings accepted.**
  
- **Northern Sydney Central Coast NSW Health – Term 4 Parenting Programs**  
**Please phone 9887 5830 for a brochure or information.**
  - **Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) – 7 wks/2.5 hours – Cremorne (26/10) Chatswood (21/10)**  
Behaviour management program suitable parents of children (3-8 yrs). Clear strategies on how to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.
  - **Communicating with Kids (based on PET) – 6 wks/2.5 hours – Chatswood (29/10)**  
Course provides communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children and other important people in your life. (Age group 4-12 yrs)
  - **Communicating with Teens – 5 wks/2.5 hours – Chatswood (3/11)**  
Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent's needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.**Workshops for Parents – 2.5 hours:**
  - Teens Workshops “DEALING WITH TEEN’S BACK CHAT” at Chatswood (27/10)
  - Understanding Your Toddler and Discipline at Cremorne (26/10)
  - Bully Busting Workshop, at a school near you
  - Transition to School, at a school near you
  - Transition to High School, at a school near you
  - NEW Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series (1-12 years) and (Teens)
 Term 4 2009 Courses/Workshops beginning from 21 October.  
**For further information/brochure, please phone 9887 5830.**
  
- **Hornsby Heights Vacation Care Program – Monday 5 October – Friday 16 October**  
Hornsby Heights Public School, Somerville Road, Hornsby Heights  
Some enrolment forms are available in the School Office.
  
- **Abbotsleigh School Holiday Program – 1666 Pacific Highway Wahroonga**  
Some brochures available in the School Office. For further information or bookings: please visit Abbotsleigh Website at [www.abbotsleigh.nsw.edu.au](http://www.abbotsleigh.nsw.edu.au) or phone Melissa Brown on 9473 7777.