



PROUILLE NEWS

25 November, 2008

Term 4 Week 7 2008

Dear Parents,

The Feast of Christ the King 2008 will certainly remain with me in my "Special Memories Box".

Father Steve planned and prepared a very beautiful Farewell Mass for me last Sunday.

The Parish and Parent Community in attendance, not forgetting the children, made me feel very humble indeed. I am blessed to have finished off my career in such an active, supportive community where school and Parish are united.

My sincere appreciation to all.

LITERACY PARENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER

THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER

THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER

TIME: 9.00 AM – 10.30 AM

VENUE: SCHOOL HALL

REMINDER FLYER ATTACHED TO THE NEWSLETTER

Advent

Advent marks the beginning of the Church Year.

This Sunday, the first Sunday of Advent, we light the Candle of Hope; second Sunday of Advent – the Candle of Peace; third Sunday of Advent – the Candle of Joy; and the fourth Sunday of Advent – the Candle of Love.



Advent is a time of special prayer – a time when we prepare to celebrate Jesus' coming into the world, just as the people of the Old Testament awaited the time when God would send a saviour.

We also remember Mary and Joseph as they prepared for the arrival of Mary's precious child, Jesus.

Annual Diocesan Sports Council Awards

This annual event will be held at Sacred Heart School, Pymble, this Thursday 27 November at 5.30 pm.

Congratulations to two Prouille students who will receive awards:

Shannon Ashton 5T
Liam Dummer 6CO

Matt Shirvington will address these outstanding Athletes who come from schools across the Diocese.

Julie Price Randall (Principal)

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Write Now 2008

Attached to the newsletter today are two stories written by **Scandi Callahan (6CO)** and **Isabella Christenson (6F)**, who were chosen to represent Prouille in the Talented Year 6 Writers' Camp held at Challenge Ranch in August this year.

The students' work has been collated into a book, '*Students Write Now 2008*', and a copy placed in the National Library in Canberra.

How proud we are of you, Isabelle and Scandi – Well done!

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following recipients of these awards: Madeline Vlahakis (1LT), Katie Oong (1LT), Lauren McGrath (1VT), Cathy Stipo (6F), Paige Kelly (6CO) and Jessica Raward (6F).

Yours sincerely,

Julie Price Randall
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES		
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26.11.08	Wednesday	6 pm – 9 pm: Piano Concerts in Prouille Hall.
27.11.08	Thursday	Mufti Day – Children to bring Hamper item and place in Class Christmas bag. Annual Talent Quest.
1.12.08	Monday	9.30 am - Prouille School Chess Championship 2008 – Entry Fee \$16.50. Please note also that Chess lessons will be held today instead of Thursday.
2.12.08	Tuesday	1.00 pm – Lunchtime Recital in the Hall. 7.30 pm – Prouille Band - End of Year Concert.
5.12.08	Friday	Last day to return Family Registration Form for 2009. Disco Night: Kindy – Yr 2 from 5 pm – 6.45 pm; Yrs 3-6 from 7 pm – 8.45 pm. At Thornleigh West Public School Hall. Cost \$10 per child.
11.12.08	Thursday	Student Administration Rollover in office.
12.12.08	Friday	Final School Assembly. Final Sausage Sizzle for 2008 – hosted by Years 3 & 4. String Ensemble to McQuion Park in the afternoon.
13.12.08	Saturday	7.30 pm - P&F Farewell Celebration for Mrs Julie Price Randall at Pennant Hills Golf Club.
15.12.08	Monday	6.30 pm - Year 6 Graduation Mass.
16.12.08	Tuesday	9 am – 3 pm - Year 6 Fun day at Ryde Aquatic Centre.
19.12.08	Friday	9.15 am – Whole School – Thanksgiving Mass at Holy Name Church. Last day of Term 4.
Term 1 2009 Start Date		
27.01.09	Tuesday	Staff return.
28.01.09	Wednesday	Students return for Term 1.

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 8.50 am – 9.30 am & Thursdays 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm

R.E. NEWS

Parish/School Farewell Mass for Julie Price Randall

I think all would agree that Father Steve led a moving Mass on Sunday as the Parish bid farewell to our much loved Principal. It was lovely to see past students involved in the music and watch all the children gather out the front of the altar and listen to Father's beautiful homily.

The Irish Blessing brought a tear to everyone's eyes but it was a very touching moment in a Mass filled with best wishes and warmth.

A special thank you to Amanda O'Brien, who had only just returned from her Leave and got into "Mass Music Mode" very quickly.

Thank You

As last Sunday was the last official Parish Family Mass, I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to Hayley Edmunds and Jane Geier for all their involvement. In my role as REC, it has been a pleasure to work with them both and I appreciate their commitment and enthusiasm.

Tracey Mavromatis (Acting REC)

SPORTS NEWS

Basketball Gala Day



Once again Prouille enjoyed a very successful Basketball Gala day last Tuesday.

Five teams represented Prouille, winning almost every game except two – one being our Junior Girls White being narrowly defeated by our Junior Girls Black.

Our teams showed exceptional skill, team work and sportsmanship and we were all very proud of them on the day.

Thank you to Mr Trotter for his tremendous support and enthusiasm and to all the parents who assisted with coaching, managing and transport. Without your ongoing support, the children would not be able to enjoy these gala days.

RESULTS



SENIOR BOYS	-	CHAMPIONS
SENIOR GIRLS	-	CHAMPIONS
JUNIOR BOYS	-	RUNNERS UP (by 1 point)
JUNIOR GIRLS BLACK	-	CHAMPIONS
JUNIOR GIRLS WHITE	-	RUNNERS UP

Congratulations to all players! Well done!

Louise Tamone (PE/Sports Teacher)

CHANGE TO CHESS LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK

Chess lessons will be held on Monday (1 December) next week, instead of Thursday.

Please see the attached letter about the Prouille Primary School Chess Championship 2008 also being held next Monday from 9.30 am. It is open to all K-6 students.



KINDERGARTEN GROSS MOTOR SKILLS



A BIG thank you to all the parents who have helped over the past five weeks. The children have enjoyed the range of activities and skills presented each Monday morning. The terrific response from parent helpers enabled us to have small groups and lots of variety. The children were able to make great progress over the weeks improving their skills while having lots of fun.

Thanks to the following helpers: Kathy Marren, Louise McEwen, Margaret Baxter, Suzie Joseph, Joanne Hallinan, Esther Ssebbowa, Sally Asnicar, John Osterberg, Libby Chan, Sharon Addison, Michelle Russel, Tara Bailey and Annette McKenzie.

Sharyn Hill (Co-ordinator)

Special Thank You

On behalf of all the Kindergarten children and parents, we would like to thank Sharyn Hill for her time and effort in organizing the Gross Motor Skills sessions each Monday morning.

Thank you also to Mrs Emmerig and Miss Mavromatis and all the parents who helped at these sessions.

K-2 SPORTS TABLOID AT WAHROONGA PARK

Last Tuesday K-2 walked to the park and participated in a variety of tee-ball, cricket, volleyball and soccer games. It was a fantastic opportunity for the students to put all the skills they have been learning in PE into game situations. Thank you to all the parent helpers on the day who helped with walking to the park and running the games. It was lovely to see the parents and children interacting and having fun.

Sharyn Hill (K-2 PE Teacher)

AUSTRALASIAN PROBLEM SOLVING MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD



During Terms 2 and 3 students from Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) participated in the 2008 Olympiad.

Congratulations to **Corey Kirby** who received a trophy for the **Highest Individual Score at Prouille**.

Shannon Ashton was awarded the **2008 Encouragement Award** for showing exceptional effort and improvement in problem solving skills. Only a few students are accepted for this honour each year.

All students who participated this year should feel proud of the way in which they developed their problem solving strategies throughout this challenging program.

Well done to the other members of the Olympiad group – Isabella Christenson, John Edmunds, Jordan Forestieri, Robbie Morgans, Tatiana Krslovic, Kelsee Turton, Paige Kelly, Lulu Luttrell, Emma Andrews, Bridie Gordon, Chloe Vardy, Peyton Bernhardt, Liam Dummer, Adelaide Falzon, James Freidman, Aaron Wilkie and Caroline Moait.

Linda O. Brien (P.E.P. Co-ordinator)

SOCCER NEWS



WANTED: NEW PRESIDENT!

Welcome to the Prouille Soccer Committee for 2009. You will notice that there are two key roles vacant. We really need someone to volunteer to lead the club for next year and to run the Mens O35/O45.

Pauline would also like to share the role of Secretary to spread the workload.

Now's the time to step up and contribute to the continuing success of the Prouille Soccer Club.

President:	Vacant
Vice President:	Michael Trinder
Secretary:	Pauline Luttrell
Treasurer:	Andrew Doyle
Registrar:	Silvio Sella
Recorder/ Club Coach:	Ali Reza Ehsani
Equipment:	Phil Gilroy
Uniforms:	Caroline Ho
Womens O35:	Jackie Coles
Mens O35/O45:	Vacant
Committee Member:	Masoud Mirzarazi

Please contact Michael Trinder (Vice President) on **0406 753 029** to join the new team.

PIANO CONCERTS

Reminder: Looking forward to seeing you all at the Piano Concerts on Wednesday night from 6 pm – 9 pm in the School Hall.

Janet Wise (Piano Teacher)

HOLY NAME CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

It's nearly that time again, and preparations are underway for our Family Christmas Mass. There are opportunities for all children and young adults to sing, dance, read, act out the Nativity Gospel and play in the orchestra. We are also planning on involving some harmonies in the carols this year, so would love to have lots of older singers (Yrs 6-12 and young adults) involved.

We will be having 3 practices in the weeks leading up to Christmas:

- **3.30 pm – 4.30 pm Friday 12th December (everyone except musicians)**
- **3.30 pm – 5.00 pm Friday 19th December (everyone)**
- **10.30 am – 12.00 pm Monday, 22nd December (everyone)**

Mass is on Christmas Eve, 24th December, with carols starting at 4.30 pm and Mass starting at 5.00 pm.

We will need everyone involved to arrive around 4.00 pm to set up.

Looking forward to seeing you there! Please contact **Hayley (9489 4701)** or **Jane (9449 4998)** with any enquiries.



Community News

- **For Sale - Year 7 Textbooks for Loreto** – If interested, please ring **Linda Drummond on 9487 7158**.
- **Abbotsleigh Holiday Program Summer 2008/2009** – Abbotsleigh Senior School, 1666 Pacific Hwy Wahroonga – Enquiries to Melissa Brown on 9473 7777.
Full program and application forms available on Abbotsleigh website: www.abbotsleigh.nsw.edu.au

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- **SPORTS COACHING CLINICS**

Clinics conducted by Geoff Spotswood

- Experienced teachers & coaches
- Written profile on each child
- Skills & safety focused
- ALL CLINICS 9 am to 1 pm
- Exciting games & activities
- Fruit supplied for morning tea
- Clinics endorsed by Cricket NSW & Stephen Waugh
- Development of social skills, sportsmanship & self-esteem

Cricket - - boys and girls (5-16 years)

Multisport - - boys and girls (5-13 years)

VENUES & DATES:

- **St. Ives, Hassell Park (Cricket & Multisport)**
16-18 Dec 08 ♦ 13-15 Jan 09 ♦ 20-22 Jan 09
- **North Sydney, North Sydney Oval No. 2 (Cricket & Multisport)**
15-17 Dec 08 ♦ 12-14 Jan 09 ♦ 19-21 Jan 09
- **Baulkham Hills, Ted Horwood Reserve (Cricket & Multisport)**
17-19 Dec 08 ♦ 14-16 Jan 09 ♦ 21-23 Jan 09
- **Thornleigh, Action Indoor Centre (Cricket only)** 12-13 Jan 09
- **Dural, Sport & Leisure Centre (Multisport only)** 15-16 Jan 09 ♦ 22-23 Jan 09
- **Bankstown, Bankstown Oval (Cricket only)** 7-9 Jan 09
- **Rouse Hill, Centenary Park (Cricket only)** 19-20 Jan 09

BOOKINGS or DETAILS:

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