



PROUILLE NEWS

9 February, 2010

Term 1 Week 3 2010

Dear Parents,

I once heard my mother say, "Parents are the bones on which children cut their teeth." ... To be totally honest, I have to say that this was absolutely no consolation for a dad who was having a hard time in his early days as a father. I've read so many books on parenting and attended so many presentations by "professionals", but the key to successful parenting still baffles, alludes and at times amuses me. My mother also once said, "As soon as you think you've got it, you know it's time to prepare for a surprise from 'left field' that will quickly let you know you really haven't got it!"

One of my greatest learnings in life is: all parents are dealing with different issues and different situations ... Thus, to judge a parent on his/her parenting style or his/her ability to cope is sometimes a serious wrong. A parent dealing with several Primary School age boys is often vastly different to dealing with several Primary School age girls ... Dealing with a mix of boys and girls is different again; so too is dealing with an only child ... Dealing with High School age children is a completely different 'ball game' altogether ... Let's throw into the mix the additional load for single parents, and what about the families where one parent is absent from home for extended periods due to work commitments!

With all due respect to my mother, I really do not want to spend the rest of my parenting days as bone that's being gnawed at. If you are like me and desperately wish to bring the best out in your children, seriously consider coming to the Parent Education Sessions hosted by our Parents and Friends' Association. Details follow:

Parent Education Sessions at Prouille for all our families:

On behalf of the P+F (who organised this PD), I am pleased to advertise three invaluable Parent Education Sessions for our Prouille Community. The sessions are all about **"Bringing out the Best in Children"**.

Following is a little bit of information to whet your appetite. Presenter, Melissa Hood, writes the following:

I have been working in the area of parenting for 12 years having found skills that transformed my own experience of parenting in a profoundly positive way. I set up The Parent Practice in the UK in 2004 and am now starting the business here in my hometown of Sydney. I have delivered some workshops in Sydney before and have found parents to be interested, committed and engaged with great ideas themselves. My organisation prides itself on the fact that our skills and strategies are really practical and being parents ourselves our facilitators can empathise with the dilemmas that parents find themselves in with raising children. Our strategies are parent-tested and many of the ideas have developed from suggestions from the hundreds of families we've worked with.

*For Prouille, I will present three 90 minute evening workshops at the school under the general heading of **Bringing out the Best in Children**. Each will be designed to build on the material covered in the previous workshop but there will be written material accompanying each talk so if anyone cannot make it to one talk that should not preclude them from coming to the others. Topics as follows:*

- 1. Skills for building confidence, cooperation and communication*
- 2. Setting up for success*
- 3. Positive discipline*

Dates for the three sessions:

Session 1:	<u>Monday 1 March</u>	7.30 pm for a 7.45 pm start
Session 2:	<u>Tuesday 9 March</u>	7.30 pm for a 7.45 pm start
Session 3:	<u>Wednesday 17 March</u>	7.30 pm for a 7.45 pm start

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Prouille Swimming Carnival 2010:

Our Swimming Carnival last week was another wonderfully organised and well supported event thanks to so many helpers and co-ordinators. Events like School Swimming Carnivals are times where we really enjoy seeing a Parent body so active; essentially, schools simply can't run a carnival without support. Whether you were in the stands cheering or pool-side with a specific job, thank you for supporting the terrific event last Thursday.

Last year I marvelled at Mrs Tamone's organisational skills; 2010 was a repeat performance ... Congratulations and thank you, Louise! To all the staff who pulled together and assisted Louise before, during and after the carnival, I sincerely thank you for your support too.

I've commonly said that if a Yr 6 class is displaying good behaviour and leading by good example, the younger students will emulate this. Thus, it is little wonder why student behaviour and sportsmanship was so high ... well done to every Yr 6 student – you are all excellent School Leaders.

You might enjoy the following snippet from a letter I received from a parent after the carnival:

... I wanted to bring to your attention what an outstanding job I thought the Year Six's did this year and what great examples they were of leadership for the whole school community. Whenever I had cause to find a missing swimmer and asked one of the Year Six's to locate the missing person, my requests were always dealt with promptly and without any suggestion of inconvenience or imposition.

On several occasions I even had Year 5 and 6 swimmers that had figured out how the marshalling was working and organised themselves into the right order and right rows without my even having to say a word! I took the opportunity to thank them for their forethought as it certainly made life easier for the marshals.

In each case (and on multiple occasions) that I had cause to deal with the students, they left me with a very strong feeling that they were taking ownership of their school carnival and ensuring its successful running. They were polite and friendly and entered into conversation with me at every opportunity. They were excellent examples of the sort of individuals and leaders that I would hope to see arising out of our Prouille community.

In short, they were a credit to both themselves and to the Prouille staff whose tutelage has brought them to this point.

Congratulations to the following Swimming Champions:

PROUILLE SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

Junior Boy Champion	1ST Declan Montgomery 2ND Sean McCormack / Finn Spalding 3RD Luke Schulz
Junior Girl Champion	1ST Sarah Vardy 2ND Jacqueline Feurtado 3RD Abbie Mulcaster / Olivia Weaver
Senior Boy Champion	1ST James Mandla 2ND Michael Crouch 3RD Joel Kelly
Senior Girl Champion	1ST Katie Austin 2ND Emily Austin 3RD Maddison Dean-Jones
Invitation Boys' Champion	James Mandla
Invitation Girls' Champion	Katie Austin
New School Records	9 Year 50m Freestyle 38.49 – Finn Spalding 11 Year 50m Breaststroke 46.77 – James Mandla
Champion House	Green – Rawlings (House Leaders: Olivia Geha & Will Gilbert)
Spirit Award	Red – Jennings (House Leaders: Olivia Baume & Tom Williams)
Point Score	Green (Rawlings) 270 Gold (Crawford) 248 Blue (O'Brien) 238 Red (Jennings) 190

K,1,2 Water-play afternoon:

The afternoon began with beautiful weather conditions and ended with a storm. No doubt the children will remember the 2010 water play day with fond memories! Thank you to all the teachers and parents who co-ordinated the fun in the most unreasonable working conditions.

Meet the Teacher Evening (for parents) – 9 February 2010 – 6.30 pm – TONIGHT:

All parents are strenuously urged to attend the “Meet the Teacher Night” Tuesday 9 February (6.30 pm) TONIGHT. The evening will commence with a Whole School Meeting in the School Hall at 6.30 pm for 20 minutes, then each teacher will present two identical 20-25 minute sessions re 2010 class routines, curriculum issues etc (in their classrooms). I appreciate that there are many families with more than two children; I also appreciate that the sessions may be structured in such a way that you can’t be in two places at the same time ... Because of this, teachers have prepared a handout to assist. Naturally, parents are able to meet teachers at any time in the year; a phone call to the school office is usually the best way to set up a meeting.

<u>Timetable – Meet the Teacher Evening for Parents - TONIGHT</u>	
6.30 pm:	Whole School Meeting in the Hall
7.00 pm -7.25 pm:	Session # 1 – Yrs K, 1, 2
7.30 pm -7.55 pm:	Session # 2 – Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6

NB Teachers will do a presentation at 7:00 pm and 7:30 pm, but their main group presentation is listed at the time above. We have clustered the class sessions “geographically” so parents with more than two children can easily visit two classes in one session time if they choose.

Up and coming Parents’ + Friends’ General Meeting:

All Parents and Friends are warmly invited and encouraged to attend the first P+F General Meeting for 2010 on Monday 22 February – 7.30 pm. Two of the topics to be addressed are:

- 2010 Prouille Resource “Wishlist” presented to the P+F
- Discussion re Prouille’s model of Student Leadership; incorporating outline of election process adopted in 2009

Drop-off time in the morning – for everyone:

Thank you for your co-operation re morning drop-off. Many parents will recall the congestion in the walk-way/drive-way to the bottom playground last week, particularly on Monday, when so many parents watched the morning line-up; for children arriving just before the bell, this can be unsettling if it’s too crowded. It really is critical that all parents (particularly in the next few weeks) move up to Water St as per the instructions below to ensure our Kindergarten students settle as best as possible:

OPTION A: (recommended):

- If your child is settled and comfortable on the playground, kiss and leave immediately (do not wait for the bell)

OPTION B:

- At the first morning bell, parents give a quick good-bye kiss and begin to move all the way to Water Street
- At the second morning bell, all parents need to be well on their way to Water St and not look back. Thank you.

Pick-up time for “early leavers” / Kindergarten (ie children who are taken to Water St at the early bell – 3.00 pm):

Prouille School had to introduce the “early leaver” strategy many years ago to ease the congestion on Water St. By moving most of the infant children off the property at 3.00 pm, and then managing the “second wave” at 3.15 pm, this assists with a safe and smooth end to the day.

Prouille’s Opening School Mass for 2010:

Our Opening School Mass is on Wednesday 10 February – 9.15 am (Holy Name Church) TOMORROW. At this Mass we will include the commissioning of our 2010 student leaders. Everyone is warmly invited.

Whole School Assemblies in 2010:

Whole School Assemblies in 2010 will be as follows: (Everyone is warmly welcome)

In Terms 1 and 4 (hotter months) ... Assemblies will be at 9.00 am Friday mornings

In Term 2 and 3 (colder months) ... Assemblies will be at 2.30 pm Friday afternoons

"Languages" to be offered for students at Prouille:

In late 2009, Parents will recall that I surveyed the community to measure the interest in "Languages (other than English) at Prouille". Survey results revealed that the two most popular languages for students to study were French and Mandarin.

If parents are keen for their child to learn a second language at Prouille, they must understand that it is separate to the curriculum presently being offered, and lessons will be managed by a private company out of school hours on Prouille school grounds. Please remember that the 'expression of interest' flyer (attached to last week's newsletter) is due back at school this Friday. Thank you.

Family/Student Data Validation Forms:

These forms should be checked and signed (amended where necessary) and returned to your eldest child's teacher to be marked off their checklist as soon as possible.

Newsletters by Email:

Unfortunately, with the new email system, we are unable to email newsletters via the grade distribution lists.

We will therefore continue to send home the printed newsletters on Tuesdays.

Please note: the deadline for newsletter items is **9.00 am on Monday mornings**.

Quiet time in the School Office and Uninterrupted Learning time at Prouille each day:

Parents will recall efforts made in 2009 re establishing an "uninterrupted learning block 9-11am" each day in every classroom at Prouille. Thanks to some very innovative timetabling and co-operation from staff, much was achieved.

Another step to further improve the effective running of the school and to further improve the effectiveness of the morning learning block is outlined below:

We will trial "Office Quiet Time" from 9.30 am-11 am each day. In 2009 I observed our office staff, Carol and Sue, work extended hours pretty well every day. The role of our office staff has to be one of the most varied, busy and complex in any work environment. If they are given an uninterrupted 90 minute window of "Quiet Time" this will greatly assist them in their work. Additionally, with an entire school in "Uninterrupted work/learning mode", so much more can be achieved.

So, Parents are respectfully asked to refrain from phone calls/office visits etc in the quiet period each day.

Naturally, if a matter is urgent or requires immediate attention, you must phone / visit in this quiet time. Thank you.

Head Lice

We have reported cases of Head Lice in the school. It would be advisable that you check your child's scalp for the next week at least.

Information from the NSW Health Department:**Time from infestation to eggs hatching**

Usually 5 to 7 days.

Symptoms

Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs, lice may be found on the scalp.

Do I need to keep my children at home?

No, as long as head lice management is ongoing.

How can I help prevent spread?

Family, friends and classroom contacts should be examined and managed if infested.

Further information may be found on NSW Health website:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/index.asp>

Yours sincerely,

Philip Ledlin

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

9.2.10	Tuesday	6.30 pm - Meet the Teacher Evening – Whole School Meeting in the School Hall. 7.00 pm -7.25 pm: Session # 1 – Yrs K, 1, 2 7.30 pm -7.55 pm: Session # 2 – Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6
10.02.10	Wednesday	9.15 am – Prouille’s Open School Mass for K-6 at Holy Name Church (including the commissioning of 2010 Student Leaders). Class Parent nominations due.
11.02.10	Thursday	7.30 pm - Class Parent Information Evening – School Library.
12.02.10	Friday	Book Club orders and payment due today.
16.02.10	Tuesday	7.30 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent Meeting (compulsory)-School Hall.
17.02.10	Wednesday	10.30 am - Ash Wednesday Liturgy prepared by Liturgy Prefects–Assembly area.
18.02.10	Thursday	Yr 6 Leadership Camp - Challenge Ranch (day 1 of 2). Yr 4 Excursion to “The Rocks”.
19.02.10	Friday	9.00 am – Whole School Assembly. 9.30 am – Education Committee Meeting after Whole School Assembly. Yr 6 Leadership Camp – Challenge Ranch (day 2 of 2). 2.00 pm – P&F Executive Team Planning Meeting.
20.02.10	Saturday	5.00 pm – P&F “Ice-breaker Evening” (Getting to know you evening for families) – St Lucy’s Oval.
22.02.10	Monday	7.30 pm – P&F General Meeting – Everyone warmly invited.
23.02.10	Tuesday	10.00 am – Reconciliation for Yr 4.
25.02.10	Wednesday	5.30 pm – Diocesan Schools’ Staff Mass.
26.02.10	Friday	9.00 am – Whole School Assembly.
27.02.10	Saturday	Sacrament of Reconciliation: Lesson 1 – 4.30 pm Sat. / Lesson 2 - 8.45 am Sun. at Holy Name Church.
1.03.10	Monday	7.30 for 7.45 pm start – “Bringing out the Best in Children” Session 1.
9.03.10	Tuesday	7.30 for 7.45 pm start – “Bringing out the Best in Children” Session 2.
17.03.10	Wednesday	7.30 for 7.45 pm start – “Bringing out the Best in Children” Session 3.

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 – 9.30 am & Thursdays 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm*

SPORTS NEWS

Prouille Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all competitors, and especially those champions previously mentioned in the Prouille Swimming Carnival Results.

Well done also to our Champion House – Green (Rawlings) and to Red (Jennings) for winning the Spirit Award.

A special thank you to all staff involved and to all the parent volunteers. Your generous assistance is appreciated.

Polding Tennis Trials

This Friday Vanessa Andersen (6F) will be representing Broken Bay Diocese in the Polding Tennis Trials in Newcastle.

We wish her the best of luck!!

Louise Tamone (PE/Sport Teacher)

SWIMMING CARNIVAL ITEMS IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

The following items are in the School Office:

Navy swimming cap with ‘RAV’ on it; Goggles – ZOGGS; Black soft glass case; Black soft glass case; Navy hoodie with ‘CNZ Est 1904’ on it; and a pair of Red, Black & White boardshorts.



*Most loving God,
We thank you for the example of Blessed Mary Mackillop,
who in her living of the Gospel witnessed to the human dignity
of each person.*

*She faced life's challenges with faith and courage.
We pray through her intercession for our needs.
May her holiness soon be acknowledged by the
universal Church.*

*We make this prayer through Jesus the Lord.
Amen.*

During the holidays we received the exciting news that Blessed Mary MacKillop would soon be canonised as a Saint. We pray that the meeting to take place in Vatican City between the Pope and the Cardinals on February 19th continues to provide for Australia hope that the canonisation of Mary MacKillop will take place within the next twelve months. This is indeed a very exciting time!

Whole School Mass:

A reminder to all that you are welcome to attend our Opening School Mass tomorrow (Wednesday 10th) morning at 9.15 am. The Mass will be held at Holy Name Church and is to be celebrated by Fr Clem Hill. We remind parents that the children are to be at school by 8.55 am in order to walk with their class and teachers to the church. Thank you to those children who will be assisting with altar serving, reading, music and singing. Thank you also to Mrs O'Brien and Mr Ford who are assisting in the preparation.

Ash Wednesday:

Next Wednesday, 17th February, marks the beginning of Lent with the celebration of Ash Wednesday. This whole school liturgy will take place within the school's assembly area at 10.30 am. The liturgy will be led by Fr Clem Hill and will include our Year 6 Mission Prefects, as well as some children from St Lucy's Aim High class. We welcome you to come along and attend this special occasion.

Christmas Cards and Hampers:

At the end of last year, the school community generously supported two significant outreach initiatives.

The first was the overwhelming support provided for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal where 12 amazing hampers were packed and delivered to the community of Whalan. Mr David Brett, Treasurer of the Wahroonga St Vincent de Paul Conference, expressed his genuine appreciation in a letter he delivered to the school within the last week of the year. Please read the attached note as you are indeed all worthy of his gratitude and praise.

The second initiative was in the creation of hand-made Christmas cards by all children from K-6 for some of the residents at The Grange, Waitara. These Christmas cards were indeed a highlight for all the recipients, with some taking the time to write letters/cards of thanks to the children who provided them. This was a beautiful opportunity for all the children to participate in, and it is one that we hope to continue from year to year.

We continue to pray for Mrs Amanda O'Brien and her husband as they prepare for the birth of their first child. We also pray for Mrs Mary Rajca whose son, Daniel, is recovering in hospital from a serious accident. Mary Rajca is the lady who visits the schools within the Diocese promoting the issues facing the village of Candela, Peru, and who provides the lovely handiworks that are available for purchase at our annual Peru Stall.

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We also pray for all in our community recovering from illness or in need of our prayers to assist them through any personal intention they may be experiencing.

Wishing you every blessing.

Vanessa Dillon (REC)

CLASS PARENT NOMINATIONS

A reminder that Class Parent Nomination forms are due TOMORROW.

Nominations for all classes are welcomed but parents are specifically needed for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Details can also be emailed directly to Julie Kelly: jojukelly@bigpond.com.au

The Class Parent Information Evening will be held this Thursday 11 February at 7.30 pm in the School Library.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN VIOLIN, VIOLA AND CELLO



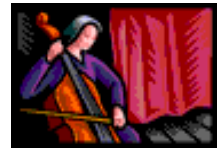
Some vacancies still exist for private lessons in violin, viola and cello. Please complete a form at the school office or contact **Moira Hutchinson on 9487 2552** if interested. Children from all classes are welcome to apply.

STRING ENSEMBLE



The String Ensemble will resume on Tuesday 23rd February at 7.30 am in the school hall. Practices are held each week. This year we are hoping for even more children to join us and hopefully we can find some cellists out there.

For those children who do not learn at school, this term's fee will be \$35 which includes a folder and all music.



Please contact Moira Hutchinson on 9487 2552 if interested so that music may be prepared in advance for the first practice. We are looking forward to a lot of fun and some great performances this year.

BOOKCLUB 2010



A quick reminder that all Book Club orders should be returned by this Friday 12 February. Thank you.

Trudi Sommers (Book Club Co-ordinator – Phone 9487-1990)

WATER ST NETBALL - REGISTRATION and GRADING

Registration is almost full for several teams, and has closed for some.

We would like girls to join the following teams, **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY:**

Funnet (6 and under), Under 8 Netta (non-competition), Under 9s, Under 12s and especially the Ladies Masters (over 35). Age is as at 31 December 2010.

If you are interested in playing netball this year, please contact Glenda Sella on 0412 590 112 immediately as teams are being finalised.

Ladies, please register for our Masters team. It's a social game once a week on Saturday afternoon which is always a lot of fun.

Thanks to all who helped Registration Day run so smoothly.

Many thanks also to the Ley family for sponsoring and running the BBQ/Sausage Sizzle.

If you have any questions, please contact Sally or Glenda.

NETBALL GRADING DAY: Please note that Grading Day is **TUESDAY 16th FEBRUARY** – at school.

No Grading for Masters!



Sally Oong, President, 0433 817 114 oongs@optusnet.com.au

ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

16 Woolcott Avenue, Wairoonga

OPEN DAY

Applications are invited for Year 7, 2010 & 2011

*Friday 12th March
9.30 am - 11.30 am*

Prospective Parent Evening Tuesday 16th March 7.30pm

For more information contact the College on 9487 3555



Prouille P and F Association

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to 2010! We are excited about our planned P& F activities this year and would like to take this opportunity to fill you in.

Social events:

Firstly, by now you should have received your family invite to the Welcome Picnic and Movie night on Saturday 20 February at 5 pm – if not check the bottom of your school bags! This is a special occasion for all the family and we hope many families will make the effort to join us. There will be lucky door prizes, ice blocks and games for all. BYO picnic, drinks and seating (for the picnic and movie). The movie, “Surf’s Up”, will commence at 6 pm so little people can be home in bed by 7.30 if necessary. It’s hoped that while the movie is playing, parents will have the chance to meet and mingle with old friends and new. There is no cost to attend the occasion – but donations to cover the cost will be greatly appreciated.

Other important social dates throughout the year were included with the school calendar sent home last week with the newsletter, but just a reminder:

Mother’s Day evening:	Friday 7 May
Father’s Day Breakfast:	Friday 3 September
Christmas concert:	Thursday 2 December (there will be carols this time!)

Throughout the year, the Class parents will arrange various social occasions for class groups which we encourage you all to attend. There will also be a ‘parents only’ social evening mid-year arranged by the Class parents to which all parents across all school years will be invited to attend.

Parent education classes:

This term a short series of parent education classes will be offered during March. The series is entitled “Bringing out the best in Children” and will run over three weeks. The talks will be run by [The Parent Practice](#). The Parent Practice is an organisation that is committed to helping parents transform their family life through workshops, courses, talks, and private consultations providing tips and skills on all aspects of positive parenting. A facilitator will teach a series of valuable, easy to learn techniques to make life as a parent more fulfilling and children feel happier and more confident, more resilient and motivated and willing to do their best.

The evenings all commence at 7.30 pm for a 7.45 pm start and will be held in the school hall. They will run for 90 minutes. Please feel free to invite parents who are not part of our school community to join us as well. The dates are:

Monday 1 March
Tuesday 8 March and
Wednesday 17 March.

We hope that this will be a great opportunity for all of us to improve in the areas of our lives that matters the most – our kids. **You do not need to attend all three – just attend as many as you can!** There is no cost for these classes but a donation at the door will help to offset the cost.

P&F General Meeting

Our term 1 P&F General Meeting will be held on Monday evening, 22 February at 7.30 pm. We invite all parents and carers to attend the meeting – and particularly extend a warm invitation to our new families. These meetings are a great way to find out what is happening within our school community.

Finally, please find attached an information sheet on the P&F which may answer some questions for both new and existing families.

We are looking forward to another school year and working with all of you to build our school community and enhancing the Prouille experience for both parents and children.

Angela Schulz and Jenny Bell
Co-Presidents



Prouille P and F Association – Your Link to Your School Community

WHO ARE WE?

Prouille Parents & Friends (P&F) comprise all parents, guardians and teachers within our school community.

It is P&F's role to:

- support the school's mission
- increase the sense of community within our school and parish
- assist school upkeep with working bees etc, and
- provide a forum for parents to voice issues or concerns.

The P&F is led by an executive committee, comprising the School Principal, Deputy Principal, Parish Priest, and parents elected to various offices.

HOW YOU CAN HELP?

Be an Active Member of the P&F

The P&F meet once each term. All members of our community are invited to attend these meetings. The P&F Executive meet prior to the general meetings in order to arrange the proceedings.

Notice of these meetings is advised via the school calendar and newsletter.

Volunteer

There are many opportunities to volunteer, and as the year progresses you will receive more details about them. The following are a sample of possibilities.

- Become a Class Parent.
- Help out at events, such as the working bees and sausage sizzles.
- Volunteer to assist at the uniform Shop – selling stock or the twice-yearly stock take.

HOW ARE WE FUNDED?

The P&F generates funds from the following sources.

1. Annual levy charged to school families

The P&F levy is invoiced to parents by the school (along with tuition etc.). The school retains the levy, i.e. it does not pass it on to the P&F. The school accounts for the funds separately to other school funds.

After consultation with P&F the school uses the levy money to directly fund equipment/resource purchases.

2. Uniform Shop

P&F run the Uniform Shop. The trading surplus funds other P&F community activities.

3. Fundraising

Year 5 and 6 students run fundraising events.

Year 6 students raise money to fund a gift back to the school. For example, in 2009 the students donated the Prayer Garden and School/House Banners.

Year 5 raise money to fund a Graduation party held in December for the departing Year 6 class.

4. Community Building

P&F run numerous events aimed at building community spirit within the school family. Some of these events will run at a cost to the P&F while others will run at a net surplus.

The P&F Committee endeavour to ensure that the surplus from the "profitable" events is sufficient (across the year) to cover the cost of those events that run at a loss. That is, all community building activities run at a zero net cost to P&F.

All P&F events will be advertised via the school calendar and newsletters.