



# PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 22 Feb	Tuesday 23 Feb	Wednesday 24 Feb	Thursday 25 Feb	Friday 26 Feb	Sat 27/ Sun 28
		K- 2 Assembly - 2M		King's Invitational Swimming Carnival	Summer Sport Round 4 Scholarship Exam
Monday 29 Feb	Tuesday 1 Mar	Wednesday 2 Mar	Thursday 3 Mar	Friday 4 Mar	Sat 5/ Sun 6
Parent/Teacher Interviews Young Leaders Day at Darling Harbour	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Parent/Teacher Interviews K-2 General Assembly IPSHA Swimming Carnival at SOPAC	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Parent/Teacher Interviews <b>Shore Icebreaker</b>	Summer Sport Round 5

## Mr Malcolm Howard

This week we celebrate the life and passing of Mr Malcolm Howard who was a much loved, long serving member of the Shore Preparatory School teaching staff. In fact, Mr Howard has the distinction of serving on the Prep staff longer than anyone else, almost continuously from 1955 until he officially retired in 1986. He served over that long period of time with great distinction. He was a highly capable classroom teacher. He coached both the cricket and rugby Prep Firsts. He also taught Art and the recorder with great enthusiasm and skill for many years. Over the history of the Preparatory School, many Prep teachers have moved into either the secondary school or another school after a comparatively short time, but Mr Howard was trained (in England) as a primary school teacher, and believed that his work lay, and should remain in that field. He made a tremendous contribution over nearly half of the first 75 years of Shore Prep.

After his retirement, Mr Howard remained keenly interested in the Preparatory School, often attending functions and, in particular, Speech Night. He would always ask about how the School and its students were going and was happy to share his stories of the Prep in the past. The life of Mr Howard was remembered in a service yesterday. The Preparatory School offers sincere condolences to the family of Mr Howard.

## Preparatory School Family Service

A reminder that this annual Service will be held this Sunday, 21 February, at 9am. This is a special service for the Preparatory School Years 5 and 6 community and serves to remind us all of the Christian focus of our school. All parents are invited to attend this service and all Years 5 and 6 boys are expected to be in attendance. Families from other Year groups are also welcome to attend.

## Assembly

Assembly is always a special time in the life of a primary school. The assemblies at K, 1, 2 and Years 3 – 6, are important for a number of reasons, including:

- They are an important corporate activity at school where children take part in a formal occasion together;
- They provide children an opportunity to learn public performance or speaking skills;
- They allow children to share some of the things that they have been learning in class;
- They allow parents to gain an insight into children's learning;
- They provide an opportunity where special achievements can be recognised and applauded;

- They are a forum where positive behaviours can be reinforced;
- They provide children with important information about the school;
- At North Sydney, the assembly also provides an opportunity for our Year 6 leaders to practise their leadership skills.

At North Sydney, assembly is at 9:35am on Monday morning. On most occasions it will be in the beautiful Smith Auditorium in the Senior School. At Northbridge, the K, 1, 2 Assembly is at 8:30am in the Hall. Parents are most welcome at both of these regular events. At Northbridge, parents of the children in the presenting class are also invited to visit the classroom after assembly.

Assembly is an important community event and one of the ways that parents, children and staff can come and share school together.

*Nick Saunders*  
Head of Shore Preparatory School

# North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

## The Importance of Interpersonal Skills

This year at North Sydney campus we have 73 new students and in a total group of 241; this is a significant percentage. On Monday at our weekly assembly, I encouraged the boys to ask good questions and listen well. We spent some time getting to know a few of the boys (ones who had more than four names! There were 4 of them). A friendly, caring and supportive environment is central to creating boys who feel safe, comfortable and ready to learn. Getting to know others who might be different from us and learning to meet new people is a huge part of school life, but also life in general. Maybe this week ask your son if they've got to know someone a little better and what interesting things they found out. You might be pleasantly surprised.

## Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Week 6. It is a terrific opportunity to discuss your son's start to the school year, 'compare notes' with the teacher and demonstrate to your son your interest in his progress. Forms were sent out this afternoon on which to indicate your request for an interview and preference of date and time.

## Travel To and From School – Public Transport

I remind all students and parents that when traveling by public transport, as in all situations where students are in public view, the highest standards of dress and behaviour are required. In the interest of safety, students are expected to travel to and from school by the most direct, practical route. They are not permitted to enter shops or eat in a public place unless accompanied by an adult.

## Electronic Devices

Many of our students carry mobile devices, in most cases phones, to and from school. In these cases, the School discourages expensive devices (iPhone, Smart phone, iWatch) that can be broken, stolen or targeted for theft. These devices must stay in school bags and be switched off throughout the day. At this stage, there is no necessity for students to carry devices with 'smart' capabilities. However, where a student's phone or device has information and entertainment capabilities, it is the responsibility of students and parents to ensure that they are used appropriately. Any electronic device in a boy's possession at school must only be installed with appropriate software. Parents are encouraged to be vigilant in ensuring that your boy only has applications that are suitable for primary aged students. In this regard, I encourage parents to closely heed the mandatory advice and ratings that apply to software. Please also be mindful that exposure to scenes and themes via portable devices can be problematic when applications can be used in the presence of other students who may be younger or for whom parental consent has not been granted. I also encourage parents to periodically check their son's phone, particularly if they are able to download content. Knowing who they are calling and messaging, what they're taking photos of and the types of games they are playing isn't an intrusion of their privacy, but a way for parents to support their sons in navigating our digital world.

## Preparatory School Family Service – Years 5-6

Our annual Family Service will be held on Sunday 21 February, commencing at 9am (please note that the Choir will be assembling at 8am). All boys in Years 5 and 6 are expected to attend, wearing summer uniform (no caps or coats). Families and other students are warmly invited to join together when we gather as a community to

hear a Christian message from Mr Saunders.

## North Sydney Cocktail Party

The Years 3-6 Cocktail Party will be held on Friday 18 March at 7pm in the Prep. Parents are encouraged to set the date aside and join with other parents and staff for an enjoyable social evening. An invitation was emailed today.

## After School Programmes

A reminder the finish time is 4.00pm with pickup by 4.10pm at the latest. If you are unable to collect your son by this time please make alternative arrangements.

*Adam Larby*

*Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - North Sydney*

## Library

### Book Covering

We would love to make a list of prospective book coverers. If you would be willing to take home a collection of books from time to time to cover, please let the office know.

A great Youtube clip to help you cover books is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L80EMSb4xh8>

*Margo Pickworth  
Teacher Librarian*

## Music

Congratulations to James McCredie for his performance of 'Snappy Rag' during Monday's assembly. He played this lively jazz piece on trumpet. James is also a member of the Prep Chapel Choir.

The Chapel Choir will be singing at the Prep Family Service to be held this Sunday 21 February 2016 at 9.00 am. I would like the boys to meet me in the School Chapel at 8.00 am for a quick practice. After the practice the boys will be make their way to the Senior School Choir Room to be robed.

*David Jensen  
Prep Music Co-Ordinator*

# Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

K,1,2 Phone: 8966 5300 K,1,2 Fax: 8966 5390

## Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

### Healthy Food

As I walk around the playground at lunch time, I am very impressed with what many of the children are eating for lunch. Some of you are very creative. This week, I have seen fruit salads, vegetables cut up for dipping in yoghurt, dried fruits, rice cakes, pasta salads and even chicken kebabs! Great work mums and dads. Healthy food is so important for the children. Please remember too, that we have some children who are severely allergic to nuts of all kinds. We ask you please NOT to send in any nuts, or sandwiches with peanut butter or Nutella on them. Please decant tins of tuna or beans into plastic containers. Thank you.

### Before School

There is a staff member on duty from 8am each morning in the playground and at carlines. Children who arrive prior to 8am are not properly supervised and have to sit in the foyer until the teacher arrives. The staff member on carlines is there as a point of reference for the children. Please ensure your child is able to unbuckle the seat belt, open the door and independently alight from the car with their bag. If they are unable to do this please park to assist your child. Please do not, however, park on the footpath near the war memorial. This is a pedestrian only area. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Sun Safety

Please remember that this time of year is a high risk time for sunburn. All school students are required to wear a school sunhat during outdoor times. No hat, no play is a very common Australian school rule and we have that rule here at K,1,2. Please also apply sunscreen to your child before school. We will remind them to reapply it at school.

### Northbridge Car-Park

Please take note of the ELC Only spots. By law, we are required to have these as 10-minute stays for Early Learning Centre drop-offs. If K,1,2 parents park in these spaces, it causes a safety issue for both the ELC families and other K,1,2 families.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

Notes about Parent/Teacher Interviews were sent home this week. These interviews are scheduled for Week 6. These interviews are a time in which parents and teachers can compare notes on your child's first few weeks of school this year. A portfolio of your child's work will be sent home on the Friday of Week 5. Please bring the portfolio to the interview to discuss it with the teacher.

Please contact Mrs Lockyer in the K,1,2 office if you did not receive the Parent/Teacher information. As changes in family circumstances happen from time to time, please remember to advise the Bursar via [bursar@shore.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bursar@shore.nsw.edu.au) so that we receive the correct family contact information.

### Assemblies

Well done, **1M**. What a great assembly you presented this week. Thank you for all your hard work and preparation. We look forward to **Year 2M's** assembly next week. Congratulations to all the students who received pink cards and merit certificates at assembly on Wednesday. Our **Quality Class of the Week Award** was awarded to the boys in **2C**. Congratulations to **KH** on being awarded the Chapel Money Champions Certificate. Well done.

### Other information to note:

**Friday, 26 February** – Kindergarten Excursion to North Sydney

**Monday, 29 February to Thursday 3 March** – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Friday, 4 March – Shore Icebreaker

*Natasha Mitchell*

*Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge*

# Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

ELC Phone: 8966 5350 ELC Fax: 8966 5391

## **ELC News**

### **Library**

What a delight it was to see children so excited to be going on their first visit to the K 1 2 Library this week. Throughout the morning several children asked me "is it time for library yet?" in anticipation of the new experience. Children will be able to borrow books from the library during term time on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please ensure your child places their library bag in the trolley outside their room door rather than leaving them in their locker or school bags.

### **Chapel**

Next week we are looking forward to our first Chapel experiences of 2016 with Miss Mitchell. Chapel will take place during term time on Monday and Friday at 10:30am in the ELC multipurpose room. Each week Miss Mitchell shares stories and songs supported by puppets, felt boards and various other props to present a great fun, age appropriate introduction to God and the Bible. We also have the opportunity to pray together, and our prayers often include our World Vision sponsor child Thar. If you would like to make a Chapel donation to support Thar please place it in the pink pig money box in the foyer...the children will show you where it is!

### **Policy Review**

This year one of the goals in our Quality Improvement Plan is to include more stakeholders in the review of our Centre policies. Each fortnight we review a policy and we welcome your input. The first policy we are looking at will be the *Birthday and Other Celebrations* policy. This is now available to read in the communication box outside the front door, as well as on the front desk. If you would like to provide input, you could chat with me or one of the teachers, or alternatively write your ideas on a piece of paper for the parent suggestion box on Miss Penny's desk.

### **Interest Based Learning**

Over the last week I have spent lots of time in the rooms and garden with the children and educators and have noticed the programme has begun to take shape based on the children's ideas, or the Educators' observations. This week in the Blue Room children explored making real juice with real fruit following an interest that initially started with machines, blades and grinding coffee. Throughout the experience children learnt about sharing and turn taking, they discussed recipes and ingredients and importantly they discussed their observations on the change in the fruit, how the juicer worked and how it separated the pulp from the juice. Experiences such as this will usually be recorded in the room reflections to provide insight to you about some of the learning that occurs in the Centre each day.

### **Assistant Director**

Next week on Friday I am looking forward to having my first rostered day off for the year. In my absence please direct all Centre queries to the ELC's Assistant Director, Miss Helen.

### **Important Dates**

Friday 4 March – Shore Icebreaker

*Rebecca Schollum*  
Director - ELC



UNIFORM SHOP

Open

Mondays, Tuesdays  
and Thursdays  
9.30 to 4.30pm  
(02) 9900 4704

# Games

Wet weather information  
Please refer to the  
Shore website on  
Saturday morning  
[www.Shore.nsw.edu.au](http://www.Shore.nsw.edu.au)  
(Quick Links/Prep Sporting  
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## Sport

Swimming training will be held for Prep boys at the Shore School pool on the following dates. The sessions will start at 7.30am and be conducted by Mr Morrison and Mr Knight.

Tuesday 23 February

Thursday 25 February

Tuesday 1 March

## Carnival dates

The King's School Invitational - Friday 26 February

IPSHA Swimming Carnival - Wednesday 2 March

Please note your son may be involved in one or all of the carnivals. Each carnival has an individual order of events and the number of athletes each school sends will change due to this. A letter of congratulations and a programme for each carnival will be given to your son if he has made the Swimming Team.

## Cross Country

This year we will be conducting training sessions for all boys interested in improving their fitness leading up to the School's Cross Country carnival on Wednesday 23 March.

There will be two sessions per week supervised by Mr Harrington and Mr Mancey. These sessions will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, from 3.00pm-3:30pm. Attendance is voluntary and boys can choose to attend none, some or all of the sessions.

The training squad will meet on the steps overlooking the Prep basketball court after school and boys should change quickly into their PE uniform.

If your son is being picked up by car, please do so at the Edward St turning circle. Please be punctual. If catching public transport, he will need to change into school uniform.

If your son is involved in any other groups on these afternoons then he is expected to honour that commitment. Those unable to attend are encouraged to commit to their own training in the weeks leading up to the School Cross Country. Under 8, 9 & 10 will run 2km and Under 11 & 12 will run 3km at the IPSHA Cross Country carnival.

We look forward to seeing many boys at training.

*Scott Mancey  
Sportsmaster*

## Results — Round 2

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	Trinity	W	4-40 v 39
2nd XI Cricket	Mr Harrington	Trinity	W	129-80
Yr 6 Super 8 Blue	Miss Dickson	St Patrick's	W	47-33
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Martin	Riverview	L	86 v 4/88
Yr 5 B Cricket	Mr Philips	Riverview	L	104-113
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Kleinig	St Patrick's	L	61-72
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Mancey	King's	L	61-63
Yr 4 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	King's	L	58-65
Yr 4 Super 8 White	Mr Grainger	King's	W	94-40
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	St Aloysius	W	A: 27-7 B: 24-10
Basketball Snr A	Mrs Crerar	Trinity	W	36-28
Basketball Snr B	Mr Morrison	Trinity	W	26-10
Basketball Snr C	Mr Knight	St Aloysius	L	12-34
Basketball Snr D	Ms Brand Mr Knight	St Aloysius	L	14-20
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson	Trinity	L	9-37
Basketball Snr F	Miss Schlunke	Trinity	L	17-26
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker Mrs Woods	Trinity	W	20-8
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Trinity	L	14-32
Basketball Jnr A	Mr Larby	Trinity	W	16-2
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Trinity	W	9-1



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## Round 3 : 20 February 2016

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	Newington Wyvern Old Boys # 2	8.00am
2nd XI Cricket	Mr Harrington	Newington Wyvern Northbridge F	8.00am
Yr 6 Super 8 Blue	Miss Dickson	St Patrick's Gold Northbridge E	9.30am
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Martin	Knox Northbridge G	8.00am
Yr 5 B Cricket	Mr Phillips	Knox Kent Road Turrumurra	8.00am
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Kleinig	Waverley Northbridge E	8.00am
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Mancey	St Aloysius Anderson Park #1	7.30am
Yr 4 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	Newington Wyvern Strathfield Park	9.30am
Yr 4 Super 8 White	Mr Grainger	Newington Wyvern Strathfield Park	8.00am
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	Barker River Road Courts	8.00am
Basketball Snr A	Mrs Crerar	Newington NSBH	10.15am
Basketball Snr B	Mr Morrison	Newington NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Snr C	Mr Knight	Newington NSBH	8.45am
Basketball Snr D	Ms Brand Mr Knight	Newington NSBH	8.00am
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson	Newington Wyvern Campus Court	10.15am
Basketball Snr F	Miss Schlunke	Newington Wyvern Campus Court	9.30am
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker Mrs Woods	Newington Wyvern Campus Court	8.45am
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Newington Wyvern Campus Court	8.00am
Basketball Jnr A	Mr Larby	Coogee Pep All Sorts Fitness & Well Being Centre	9.15am
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Coogee Prep All Sorts Fitness & Well Being Centre	8.30am

## Venues:

### SHORE

School Field - Edward St., North Sydney.  
Northbridge - (SCEGS War Memorial Playing Fields and Courts) 55 Sailor's Bay Rd, Northbridge  
NSBH - North Sydney Boys' High, Falcon St, North Sydney  
River Road Tennis Courts - River Road, Lane Cove

### COOGEE PREP

All Sorts Fitness & Well Being Centre  
Court 2, 8/190 Bourke Road, Alexandria

### KNOX

Kent Road Tennis Courts, North Turrumurra  
Off Bobbin Head Rd off Spurwood St then Kent Road

### NEWINGTON WYVERN

Old Boys # 2, Newington College grounds, Stanmore Rd, Stanmore  
Strathfield Park, Homebush Road and Chalmers Road, Strathfield  
Wyvern Campus Court, Prep School - Cambridge Street, Stanmore

### ST ALOYSIUS

Anderson Park # 1 - Karuba Road, Neutral Bay

## Northbridge Playing Fields Canteen

I would like to welcome everyone to the Northbridge Playing Fields Canteen.

We are open during the summer season terms 1 & 4 for cricket and tennis, also the winter season terms 2 & 3 for rugby and soccer.

The canteen is open from 7.30am - 1.45pm summer  
7.30am - 5.00pm winter

We always need & welcome parent volunteers. The canteen cannot run without the support of parents.

To register to volunteer to work in the canteen you go to the following link 'sign up genius' <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4ba8ae2ca02-northbridge7> where I have the number of positions available for that day.

**Please note:** Children under 14 years old are not allowed in the canteen.

We sell a variety of fresh, delicious food and drinks. Some examples are: Cappuccino, Flat white etc., **BBQ:** Bacon & egg roll, sausage sandwich, bacon sandwich. Tasty cheese & tomato toasties. Choc chip muffins, Brownies, Anzac biscuits, Honey bread biscuits, Florentines.

**General :** Nudie juices, Oak milk, Red rock deli chips, Variety of Paul's ice creams: Milo cups, Frosty fruits, Drumsticks, Weis bars etc.

If you have any questions regarding the canteen please speak to your year representative.

Thank you & I look forward to welcoming you at Northbridge.

Judy Mussett

# Shore Association

## Shore Icebreaker



All Shore Parents are invited to Icebreaker to celebrate the start of the School year.

Icebreaker provides a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones in a relaxed, social atmosphere.

- Date: Friday 4th March
- Venue: Chapel Lawn, North Sydney
- Time: 6pm - 9pm
- Cost: \$55 per person
- Dress: Smart Casual
- RSVP: Monday 29th February (no bookings will be taken after this day)

BOOK NOW at [www.trybooking.com/CXK](http://www.trybooking.com/CXK)

For further information contact the Foundation office on 9900 4755 or email the Foundation at [foundation@shore.nsw.edu.au](mailto:foundation@shore.nsw.edu.au)

This is a Shore community event involving Northbridge, Preparatory School and Senior School.

**ADULT ONLY EVENT**