



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 16 May	Tuesday 17 May	Wednesday 18 May	Thursday 19 May	Friday 20 May	Sat 21 May/Sun 22 May
Living eggs programme at Northbridge Y3 Excursion - Australian Museum	K - 2 Open (for ELC parents - 9am)	K - 2 Assembly - 2C Buddies		Walk to School Day	Winter Sport Round 4
Monday 23 May	Tuesday 24 May	Wednesday 25 May	Thursday 26 May	Friday 27 May	Sat 28 May/Sun 29 May
		K - 2 Assembly - KC	K-2 & ELC Open Morning		Winter Sport Round 5

NAPLAN

Congratulations to all the students in Years 3 and 5 who participated in the NAPLAN tests this week. NAPLAN week is always a very gruelling one for students and staff, so I appreciate the efforts of everyone in making the week run so smoothly. I know that a few boys came to school nursing a snuffle or two, in order to take part in these important assessments, so a special congratulations to you! Well done to all the students for staying focused during the tests and we look forward to learning more about your achievement later in the year.

Special Parent Event – Dr Kristy Goodwin “Raising DigiKids”

The Shore Association is hosting two special parent events on raising children in a digital world. Dr Kristy Goodwin, the Director of *Every Chance to Learn* and an expert in the field of digital learning, is presenting her ideas about raising children in a digital world. The seminars will cover topics such as how to understand and monitor your child’s online habits, how to encourage online safety and how to locate and evaluate educationally sound websites. It should be highly informative and please, bring your smartphone, iPad or tablet with you. There will be food and refreshments from 6:30pm, with the presentations starting at 7:00pm.

For catering purposes, please book for these free events via the Trybooking Websites:

Wednesday, 25 May (Yrs 3 to 6):

<http://www.trybooking.com/KVUS>

Wednesday 6 June (ELC to Yr 2):

<http://www.trybooking.com/LCCN>

Please see the attached flyers for specific details on the topics to be discussed.

Wednesday Northbridge Pick-up

With the Senior School winter season starting up, it is timely to remind parents of all children who use the Northbridge car park on Wednesday afternoons about the Northbridge car line procedures. With the high volume of traffic using the car park on Wednesdays, it is important that these procedures are strictly adhered to.

- Pick-up time for boys in Years 4 – 6 after the end of sports practice is 3:10pm; K,1,2 pick-up time on Wednesday is unchanged.
- Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 are advised not to arrive substantially earlier or later than 3:10pm.
- Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 are advised to be punctual, as Senior School teachers and students will be arriving at Northbridge for training from around 3:20pm. Children who are not picked-up by 3:25pm will be taken back to the K,1,2 building.

- Parents who also have children in K,1,2 may choose to pick-up their younger children at the earlier K,1,2 pick-up time. It is recommended that these parents park in the car park, collect their K,1,2 child then wait for their older son. Parents who use the K,1,2 car line, will need to continue on to Sailors Bay Road after collecting their child, then return for their older son later.

- Alternatively, parents with children in K,1,2 may pick up all of their children at the later time of 3:10pm. K,1,2 children will be supervised at the car-line until the end of the Years 4 – 6 pick-up.

- Parents who also have children in the ELC are reminded that the ELC parking spaces are for short stays only. Parents who wish to wait for older children are advised to park in another parking space at Northbridge. Parents are reminded that the After School Care Service at Northbridge is available on Wednesdays to those boys in Years 4 – 6 who are enrolled. Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 may also avail themselves of a cheaper rate if they are picked up by 4pm. This rate is also available to the K, 1, 2 siblings of these boys, if they are enrolled in After School Care. Normal rates apply to these children if picked up after 4pm. Note that this rate is available only for permanent bookings on Wednesdays.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

Gratitude

At our Assembly on Monday I shared this quote from Epictetus, "He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has." I showed the boys some images from Peter Menzel's famous Hungry Planet project in the hope that it would help them to see how privileged we are to live in Sydney and to be part of a community like Shore. Menzel's photo essay depicts 30 families from around the world and the groceries they might typically purchase in a week. The abundance and luxury in some nations was contrasted with the meagre ration like portions of others. I encouraged the boys to stop and consider what they have and are grateful for and to give thanks for what they have instead of grumbling about what they don't have. It is never too early to adopt an attitude of gratitude and I hope at this young age our boys are able to be grateful for all they have.

Canberra Grammar Games & Billets

Thank you for the many generous offers of billeting for our visiting Canberra Grammar students in Week 6. Families who are hosting billets will receive their names and contact information in the upcoming weeks. All of Year 6 will be attending the rugby and football games which will be played on the afternoon of Monday 30 May. Parents are welcome to attend the games and the brief after-match presentation at 2.45pm. All of Year 6 and billets will need to be picked up from Northbridge on that afternoon.

Danceathon

On June 4th the Cancer Council NSW is holding an event 'Stars of the North – Dance for Cancer' at The Concourse, Chatswood. This event sees regular 'Stars' pairing up with professional dancers to compete in a 'Dancing with the Stars' night to raise money for cancer research. Miss Dickson will be dancing as one of the 'Stars' on the night, and the Elective Dance Team will also be performing as the opening act. To support this great cause, Years 3-6 will be participating in a Danceathon. The Danceathon is optional and will take place in Week 5 and will challenge student's stamina, co-ordination and rhythm! Boys who do not wish to participate are encouraged to support their peers by watching the Danceathon. All boys are allowed to bring donations to support the event. If you would like to support Miss Dickson, donations can be made at <https://starsofthenorth2016.everydayhero.com/au/clair-dickson-1>

Medallions of Excellence

The Medallion of Excellence acknowledges a boy's consistent achievement and effort over their time at the Prep. Medallions of Excellence are awarded when a Year 6 student presents a number of certificates equivalent to an average of 8 awards per year calculated from the boy's year of commencement at North Sydney. For example, a student who commences in Year 3 will need to accumulate 32 certificates (4 years x 8), whereas a student who commences in Year 5 will need to accumulate 16 certificates (2 years x 8). **Boys will also need to receive 4 awards in Year 6 before they are eligible to receive their medallion.** Eligible certificates are those awarded in Years 3 to 6 with a Shore crest. These would typically be presented at our Monday assembly. Students in Year 6 who achieve the required number of certificates (including 4 from Year 6) should present these at the Office so that their medallion can be ordered and presented at Assembly at the end of the term. All others are encouraged to keep working hard and save their certificates in a safe

place. Any student who is unsure of their individual circumstances or may have misplaced some certificates should speak to Mr Larby.

Quality Class Award

Well done to 5K who have started the term with consistent effort to be declared the top performing class last week. Congratulations also to the boys in Davies house who were our House Points winners. Keep up the great work, boys!

Adam Larby

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - North Sydney

Debating

ISDA Week 7

On Friday, 29th April, the preliminary rounds of the ISDA debating competition were completed. The Shore Prep teams were arguing, in the affirmative, against Cranbrook school, the topic being 'That everyone should work part-time'. With valiant effort, the Shore teams put forward some excellent points; however, with such a difficult topic to argue in the affirmative, both Prep teams were defeated and therefore have not progressed to the next round of the competition.

I commend all of the boys in the two Prep debating teams for their commitment to always doing their best throughout this competition. They have all gained invaluable experience in debating and public speaking that will hold them in good stead for their years ahead in the Senior School. Also, a big vote of thanks goes to the dedicated parents who unfailingly supported the boys in their passion for debating.

Miss Di Johnson

Prep Debating Coordinator

Music

Well done to Julian Berger for his entertaining performance on electric guitar during Monday's Assembly. Julian played his version of the song 'Hard Act to Follow' by the band Grinspoon.

A reminder to the boys in the String Ensemble that you will be performing during next week's Assembly. Please remember to bring your instrument and music to school on Monday 16 May 2016. Please meet Mr Jensen at the Prep School front gate at 9.00 am to be taken across to the Smith Auditorium.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Chapel Choir's performance of Evensong at St James' King Street to be held on the 25 May 2016, has had to be rescheduled. The Chapel Choir will now perform Evensong at St James' King Street during Term 3 on 10 August 2016 at 6.15 pm.

David Jensen

Music Coordinator

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Confidentiality

Thank you to the many parents who are helping in the classrooms at present. It is wonderful to see our school buzzing with children, teachers and parents, all learning together. May I remind parents of the need for confidentiality when working with children. Please don't discuss other children with other parents. This includes a child's reading ability or any behaviour you may have witnessed. As we know, children develop and learn at different rates and just like adults, girls and boys have both good and bad days. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Dr Kristy Goodwin

Do you experience tantrums when you ask for the iPad to be put down? Are you not sure of the best apps that your child should be using? Then you will be very interested in the following event. On Wednesday night, 8 June, Dr Kristy Goodwin will be attending Shore, Northbridge to present to parents on the topic *Raising Your Child in a Digital World - What Parents Really Need to Know*. Dr Kristy will make this presentation particularly relevant to parents of 3-8 year olds. It will be held in the K,1,2 Assembly Hall from 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start. The Shore Association have graciously accommodated the parents of the Northbridge students by running this extra session for us. Please book using the link; <http://www.trybooking.com/LCCN>. I hope to see many parents at this very relevant session.

Home Reading

As you are aware, home reading plays a very important part in your child's reading development. The teachers monitor each child's reading level not only by listening to each child read during a Benchmarking session, but also through guided reading sessions within the classroom. In classroom reading activities, the children use texts which are slightly more challenging for them. Home reading on the other hand is meant to be relatively easy. It is a chance for the children to practise the skills which they have learnt in class. These skills include sounding out, chunking, re-reading, using picture cues and using the word in context. Fluency and comprehension are also very important reading skills. It is important not only to ask the children literal questions such as "What was the dog's name?" but also inferential questions such as "Why do you think the boy was sad?" Discussing the text in detail is a great way of doing this. Thank you mums and dads for supporting your child's reading development by making the time to read with and to them.

Assembly

This week, the very talented **Year 1T** presented their assembly for us. Thank you for your very creative work and great singing. Our two Prep Prefects also visited us and presented some awards in assembly then had a play with Kindergarten. Next week, **Year 2C** will present their assembly. All **2C** parents are welcome back to the classroom following the assembly. Congratulations to **Year KC** on being awarded the **Quality Class of the Week Award** and to **KH** as the **Chapel Money Champions** for this week. Well done **Kindergarten**.

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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ELC News

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Please note that Dr Goodwin is also presenting to parents of older Shore students in the Smith Auditorium, North Sydney on Wednesday 25 May. To book *Thriving Kids in a Digital Age* please use the following link; <http://www.trybooking.com/KVUS>

Little Scientists

This week the Blue Room boys and girls have continued on their journey of being scientists and conducted some very interesting experiments with Miss Sophie. The children have investigated solids and liquids and discussed how they are different. These conversations were followed up with some hands on learning where they conducted their own experiment by mixing cornflour and water together to make cornflour slime. Sam G described the slime as "soft and yukky and dirty" and Lara thought "it felt gooey and smelly like lemons!"

Another experiment the children conducted explored consistency where they investigated the contents of jars containing water, detergent, cornflour slime, honey, paint, toothpaste or vegemite and placed in order of thinnest to thickest. They found out that water was the thinnest and would pour with ease and that vegemite was the thickest where it wouldn't even fall off the spoon!

Young children are naturally curious about the world they live in, and these simple experiments are a great fun way to learn basic scientific concepts. Perhaps you might like to try some experiments at home? There are lots of great ideas available online; try www.kidspot.com.au and we would love to hear about you discoveries.

Important Dates

Tuesday 17 May – K 1 2 Open Morning for ELC families

Thursday 26 May – Northbridge Campus Open Morning

Monday 13 June – ELC closed for Queens Birthday

Thursday 23 June – ELC closed for Professional Development

Friday 24 June – ELC closed for Professional Development

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
(Quick Links/Prep Sporting
Fixtures/ Prep
Weekly Fixtures)

Sport

IPSHA Players' Code of Behaviour

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not permitted in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or for your team. Your team will benefit, so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays, whether they are by your team, opponent or the other team.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Place in proper perspective the isolated incidents of unsporting behaviour rather than make such incidents the 'highlight' of the event.
- If a player is sent off during the game, a one-week suspension is recommended.

*Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster*

Results : Round 2

1st XV Rugby	Mr Mancey	Newington	W	25-10
2nd XV Rugby	Mr Martin	Newington	W	27-5
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Newington	L	12-44
11B Rugby	Mrs Herron	Newington	L	12-55
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	Mosman	L	17-31
10B Rugby	Mr Jensen	Mosman	L	45-7
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	Mosman	W	5-0
2nd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	Mosman	D	2-2
3rd XI Football	Miss Dickson	Mosman	L	2-3
11A Football	Mr Case	Redlands	W	1-0
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Redlands	W	4-1
11C Football	Mrs Tong	Redlands	D	3-3
10s Blue	Miss Polis	Mosman	W	4-0
10s White	Miss Valenti	Mosman	W	3-1

Round 3 : 14 May 2016

1st XV Rugby	Mr Mancey	Barker School Field NS	8.45am
2nd XV Rugby	Mr Martin	Barker School Field NS	8.00am
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Barker Taylor Field	10.30am
11B Rugby	Mrs Herron	Barker Taylor Field	9.45am
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	King's School Field NS	10.15am
10B Rugby	Mr Jensen	King's School Field NS	9.30am
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	Redlands Northbridge E	10.15am
2nd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	Redlands Northbridge E	9.30am
3rd XI Football	Miss Dickson	Redlands Northbridge E	8.45am
11A Football	Mr Case	Sydney Grammar, St Ives : Cowper # 2	8.00am
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Sydney Grammar, St Ives : Cowper # 2	8.45am
11C Football	Mr Knight	Sydney Grammar, St Ives : Cowper # 2	9.30am
10s Blue	Miss Polis	Newington Lindfield Northbridge E	8.00am
10s White	Mr Grainger	Newington Lindfield Northbridge E	8.00am

Venues - Round 3:

SHORE:

Northbridge (SCEGS War Memorial Playing Fields)
55 Sailor's Bay Rd, Northbridge
School Field: Edward Street, North Sydney

BARKER:

Taylor Field - College Crescent, Waitara

SYDNEY GRAMMAR, ST IVES:

Cowper # 2 - Cnr Mona Vale Road & Ayres Road (with parking also available on Mawson Street)