



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Queen's Birthday Holiday ELC Closed		K - 2 Assembly - KH Buddies	CIS Cross Country - Eastern Creek Yr 6 Musical Matinee Yr 6 Musical Evening	Northbridge Disco @ 4pm	Winter Sport—Round 7
Monday 20 June	Tuesday 21 June	Wednesday 22 June	Thursday 23 June	Friday 24 June	Sat 25/Sun 26 June
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On-Line Integrity

Did you know that one of the rules for signing-up to many social networking sites is you need to declare you are 13 years or older? Facebook and Instagram certainly have such an age restriction. Those parents who are aware their Preparatory School children have a social networking account may not be aware those children have represented themselves dishonestly on-line in order to gain access to the site. Perhaps they have done so inadvertently – how many of us have casually clicked upon an “I agree” checkbox on a website without actually reading the contents of the agreement we have signed-up for?

I raise this issue for a couple of reasons. Firstly, there are a number of good reasons why the administrators of sites such as Facebook and Instagram place an age restriction on membership. They are aware naïve or unwise use of these sites can expose young people to consequences they do not have the capacity to handle – unwanted approaches from other users, exposure to inappropriate and even harmful content, on-line bullying, etc. We have all seen examples in the media of how such sites have been used inappropriately and the harm this causes. We would be wise then to follow the directions of the administrators regarding age restrictions.

But this example points to a more significant issue, that of integrity, or on-line integrity in particular. Very few of us, I hope, would lie about our identity in business, legal, or even social contexts. Why should this be any different in an on-line context? I would argue strongly that blurring the boundary between truthful conduct on-line and in real life, creates confusion in the minds of young people that can only undermine the development of their moral judgement. Furthermore, the ability for young people to live an anonymous second life in cyberspace can hinder their understanding of the consequences of their actions on-line. That is, of course, until they themselves become the victims of the malicious on-line behaviour of others, at which point the consequences can be only too real and painful. For those parents who are aware their child has an Instagram or Facebook (or similar) account, or who suspect they might, I would encourage you to discuss these issues seriously together with them.

Trolls

Time is running out for you to purchase tickets for the Year 6 Musical, *Trolls* next Thursday. The boys of Year 6, together with the Directors, Mr Jensen, Mrs Herlihy and Miss Janssen have been working very hard to pull this very enjoyable performance together and the snippets I have witnessed promise the final performance will be spectacular. The main performance will be on Thursday 16 June 2016 at 7pm, with a matinee earlier in the day. Tickets can be purchased via the Trybooking site -

www.trybooking.com/LTTJ.

Road Safety

In recent weeks there has been some media attention on road safety with the Walk to School Day occurring on Friday 20 May. As part of the awareness campaign, North Sydney Council and Willoughby Councils have produced a road safety awareness brochure for parents to consider when driving near schools. These were sent home this week. The brochure contains information about how to correctly interpret parking signs and the rules surrounding school zones, pedestrian crossings and driving safely in busy urban settings. I would encourage all parents to read this brochure carefully.

In addition, I would encourage all parents to reinforce safety messages for students when they are pedestrians around cars. Emphasise the importance of being alert when cars are about, which means not playing ball or running games and certainly not using screens or phones. These are messages that are reinforced by teachers at the School. In particular, it is worth reminding children of the important ‘Stay Safe When Crossing Rules’ and reinforcing them at every opportunity:

Stop! Find the safest place to cross then stop. Try to always use a pedestrian crossing.

Look! Check the road is clear in all directions.

Listen! Listen carefully because you can sometimes hear traffic before you can see it.

Think! When it is safe to cross, walk straight across the road. Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

The Storms of Life

After the immense storm front that flooded the shores over the weekend I took the opportunity to speak with the boys on Monday about the storms of life and particularly the moments when things are beyond our control. There are often times (to our dismay) that circumstances are beyond our control and the mark of true character and resilience is the response we have to these moments. I encouraged the boys to think about their personal response to situations beyond their control in regards to their reaction, attitude, behaviour and words. In the face of unexpected adversity giving a measured response can be incredibly challenging, but it is possible. I finished with this quote for their reflection, "You may not be able to control every situation and its outcome, but you can control your attitude and how you deal with it."

Sports Dinner

If you have any photos from the winter or summer sports seasons that you're happy to be used in the Prep Sports dinner please email them to Sandie Hogarth Scott sandie@hogarth-scott.com or Prue Crookes pruecrookes@yahoo.com.au. The Prep Sports Dinner will be held on Friday 19 August in the Boarders' Dining Hall, please save the date for this special occasion.

Reminder about Valuables

I have noticed a large increase in the number of Apple Watches, Fitbits and Smart phones coming to the Prep. These electronic devices, whilst not banned from school are strongly discouraged due to their fragility and significant monetary value. Boys bringing these items to school are reminded to be particularly diligent in looking after them and that the responsibility for their safety lies with them. We have unfortunately had some items that have been damaged. Where possible we ask that watches and phones that are more durable and inexpensive be considered for boys of this age.

Pick Up Changes – 22 June

On the final day of Term 2, Wednesday 22 June, all students in Years 3 and 4 will be dismissed from **North Sydney**. There will be no sport at Northbridge for Year 4 on this day. Please make the necessary adjustments to afternoon pick up arrangements for this day.

CRU Lunchtime group

Our weekly CRU group finished the semester with a pizza party and a visit from Peter Crawford from the Crusaders Schools' Ministry Team. We have been looking at living God's way this term and the boys have been challenged from Paul's New Testament letters. Congratulations to James McCredie who won our guessing competition for the Term. He was the closest guess to the 401 items in the jar. Well done James!

After School Clubs – Term 3

The Enrolment forms for Term 3 will be made available early next week and will be accepted until the end of Week 1. There are two new groups on offer in Term 3, the first is a Bootcamp that will revolve around circuits and other fitness activities. This group will be run by Mr 'Commando' Philips. In response to the overwhelming success of the Danceathon, Miss Dickson has offered to run a social Dance for Fun group. It will provide an opportunity for the boys to learn new dance moves and techniques without the pressure of the competitive Elective Dance group. Both of these groups will be for boys in Years 3 to 6. As always, where demand exceeds the available places, positions will be offered on the basis of when the form is returned. Please note that clubs do not

run in the first week of term. Please pay careful attention to the start and finish dates of each club.

Office Display

Thanks to the boys in 3B for their outstanding office display. The boys have presented a Mathematics themed display that demonstrates some of their learning from a recent investigation into data collection and graphing.

Quality Class Award and House Points

It was another excellent effort from our older boys with 6H being rewarded on Monday morning. Well done, boys! The boys in Davies house snuck into the lead for Term 2 with their victory this week in our House Points competition. Congratulations on your hard work and fine effort boys!

Long Weekend

Enjoy the long weekend...a chance to take a breath in an extraordinarily fast and frantic term and rest up for the final sprint to the finish – only 7 school days to go! See you on Tuesday morning.

Adam Larby

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - North Sydney

Elective Dance News

Congratulations to this years Elective Dance Group who were the opening act for a cancer fundraiser 'Stars of the North - Dance for Cancer'. Their performance was fantastic and they had an absolute blast dancing on stage representing Shore. Well done, boys! What a great opportunity to dance for a wonderful cause.

*Mrs Allison Simons
Elective Dance Teacher*

Music

Well done to Nick Sarmiento who performed 'Study' on his violin during Monday's Assembly. Nick is also a valued member of the String Ensemble.

*David Jensen
Music Coordinator*

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

K,1,2 Lunchtime Play Club

Lunchtimes are very busy at K,1,2. The sandpit is a hive of activity, as are the library and the 'back paddock'. Play Club is also well attended. Play Club is designed to assist children with their social skills. In Play Club, children are supported in interacting with others through more structured activities. These activities include cars, board games, marble run and other group games. Both socially able children and children who need assistance visit Play Club. Please ask your child if he or she has been participating in the Play Club activities.

Parent Seminar

On Wednesday night, the Shore Association presented Dr Kristy Goodwin, who spoke on the topic *Raising Your Child in a Digital World*. It was a great evening filled with very practical tips. For parents who missed the event, Dr Goodwin has a book available from 1 July. It has the same title as the seminar. I will forward the information presented to our community when Dr Goodwin sends with through. Thank you to the parents who joined us on Wednesday. I'm sure you'll agree that it was a very worthwhile experience.

Northbridge Disco

There is only one week to go until our fantastic disco. Next Friday, 17 June, from 4pm until 6pm, the K,1,2 Assembly Hall will be decked out ready to dance the afternoon away. There are lots of children very excited about coming to school for a disco. I've heard murmurings that some children have already chosen their outfits! Please note that all children must be accompanied by an adult. If you have not booked your ticket yet, please do so at www.trybooking.com/LMYC.

After School Activities

Last week, Mrs Lockyer sent home information and enrolment forms regarding after school activities for Semester 2 (Terms 3 and 4). Please return these forms as soon as possible as the activities are filling up very quickly. The closing date for enrolment forms is Friday, 17 June.

Assembly

Thank you to **Year 2M** for leading our assembly this week. You have certainly been very busy in your classroom. Your thinking routines have really extended your learning. Next week, we look forward to **KH's** assembly. I know the visitors will be very excited to look in your classroom at the conclusion of it. Congratulations to **2C** for receiving this week's **Quality Class of the Week Award** and for being our **Chapel Money Champions** for this week. Well done, **2C**.

Other Important information:

Monday, 13 June – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Thursday, 16 June – Musical Matinee at North Sydney

Friday, 17 June – Northbridge Disco

Monday, 20 June – Incursion: Charlie Truscott *Fish Outta Water*

Wednesday, 22 June – Last Day of Term 2 and NAIDOC Week Celebration

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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ELC News

Dr Kristy Goodwin

What a privilege it was to welcome Dr Goodwin to Northbridge on Wednesday evening to share her knowledge on *Raising Your Child in a Digital World - What Parents Really Need to Know*. It was refreshing to hear Dr Goodwin unpack some of the challenges that we face as educators and parents, as we give consideration to technology in our children's lives. Dr Goodwin shared lots of insightful research and practical tips to support us when navigating this relatively new, and often confusing, terrain. If you were not able to join us on Wednesday, Dr Goodwin has recently published a book where she goes into even greater depth on this topic. I am certain it will be well worth the read.

Papua New Guinea Fundraiser

Each year Shore Preparatory School supports a community in Oro Province, Papua New Guinea through fundraising events. Next week the ELC children have the opportunity to participate in this year's fundraising activities where we will raise money to purchase baby blankets and hats. These sets are given to mothers in hospital when their babies are first born and would normally cost around \$7.00 a set, a cost that new mums couldn't usually afford.

For our fundraising activities, the children are invited to wear mufti clothing to school and make a donation. We will have a disco during the days, so why not choose a fabulous disco outfit to wear? There will also be a fun Baby Guessing Game for families to guess the baby photo of each ELC staff member. To play, simply drop a coin in the tin and write your answers on the sheet of paper provided. I wonder who is who? Miss Penny has distributed letters this week with additional information. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Spare Clothing

Recently I have noticed that our spare clothing pool is getting low. If your child has borrowed any ELC spare clothing, can I ask that you please return it as soon as possible? It is a good idea to pack a change of clothes for your child every day they attend the Centre, so that they can engage in any of our messy play activities.

Important Dates

Monday 13 June – ELC closed Queens Birthday
Wednesday 15 June – PNG Fundraiser Mufti Day
Friday 17 June – PNG Fundraiser Mufti Day
Friday 17 June – Northbridge Disco
Thursday 23 June – ELC closed Staff Conference
Friday 24 June – ELC closed Staff Conference

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

NSW CIS Cross Country carnival

Oliver Harvey, Lachlan Brown and Ryan McHugh will be representing Shore and IPSHA at the NSW CIS cross country championships next week. We wish the mighty mighty Shore boys all the best.

Shore Preparatory School Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 5 August, the Shore Prep Athletics Carnival will be held at SCEGS Northbridge Playing Fields.

Dress Code:

All boys must wear their P.E Uniform with their House Polo shirt. The House Polo shirt is a **plain** RED, GREEN, YELLOW or BLUE shirt with NO logos. The coloured House Polo shirts can be purchased from the clothing pool.

Athletics Trials

In Week 1 of Term 3, the boys will be trialling for the finals. Please take note of the following dates and times. Each year group will travel by bus to Northbridge and all boys will need to make arrangements to be picked up from Northbridge at 3.00pm.

Yr 6 - Tuesday 19 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 3 - Wednesday 20 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 4 - Thursday 21 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 5 - Friday 22 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Parent Help

Due to the amount of events we are attempting to run, any parent help with starting races or time keeping would be greatly appreciated. We arrive at Northbridge ready to start at 11.30am and finish the day at 3.00pm.

If you can make it, we look forward to seeing you there.

*Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster*

Results : Round 6

All Prep games were cancelled on Saturday due to the wet weather.

Shore Association



Shore Year 6 Coffee Morning

Monday 20th June
From 9.00am

Please join us for morning tea / coffee at:
3 Prince Albert Street, Mosman
(the home of the Crookes family)

We have the Barista on-site!
"So no need to pick up that coffee on the way"

Shore Hoopla Tennis Day

Thursday, 28 July 2016

Shore Northbridge Pavilion & Tennis Complex
Corner of Alpha & Sailors Bay Roads, Northbridge 2063

9.00am – 2.00pm (for a 9.15 am start)

Please join us for a fun day of tennis, morning tea, lunch, prizes and a fabulous raffle of gourmet items. Organise your own court of 10 or we can we can allocate you a court.

Cost \$50 per person incl. morning tea & lunch
(Option to include raffle tickets - 3 for an additional \$10)

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

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Bookings close - 25 July 2016