



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 8 August	Tuesday 9 August	Wednesday 10 Aug	Thursday 11 Aug	Friday 12 August	Sat 13/Sun 14 Aug
		K12 Assembly - 1T Co-curricular & Winter Sport photos (8.45am NS & 1.00pm NB) ELC Grandparents Morning Tea Evensong @ St James' - 6.15pm	ELC Grandparent's Morning Tea K-2 - Bronwyn Vaughan Visit	Y6 Immigration Forum	Athletics Invitational - Shore
Monday 15 August	Tuesday 16 August	Wednesday 17 Aug	Thursday 18 Aug	Friday 19 August	Sat 20/Sun 21 Aug
Science Week >>	ICAS Maths Competition	Paper Pilots Incursion - NS K12 Assembly - KC		Sports Dinner (6.15pm) Y6 Indigenous Dance Incursion	Rio Olympics End Athletics Invitational - Barker

Olympic Lessons

Like many of us, I am looking forward to the start of Olympic competition this weekend and enjoying the spectacle of seeing wonderful athletes striving for excellence; sometimes attaining the pinnacle of performance, at other times facing disappointment. There are so many life lessons that can be drawn from a reflection on the Olympics and many commentators will, I am sure, be passing their own opinions about different performances and what they may signify. However, when thinking about the Olympics I am reminded of the following important life lessons.

Persistence

There is nothing quite like a story of persistence, where an athlete overcomes enormous obstacles to compete in an event. Whether it be an arduous qualification campaign to even get to Rio, or overcoming personal set-backs or injuries, the Olympics are full of examples of athletes persisting in difficult circumstances to achieve their goals. At K, 1, 2 Assembly this week, we were looking at the importance of never giving up, and whether it be in sport or in learning, it is how we persist at a task, rather than whether or not we 'win', which is the important outcome. As Paul the apostle wrote in the book of Romans, perseverance builds our capacity to hope, to dream bigger dreams:

*[W]e know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.
Romans 3 v. 3*

Effort v. Ability

When looking at the Olympics, it is easy to be a little awestruck by the abilities of the athletes. Yet as any athlete will tell you, ability can only take you so far in any field. The more important determinant of high achievement is the effort and discipline expended, whether it is the hours, days, months, years of constant training and practise, or the willpower to overcome injury or disappointment.

As I have written before, it is the same with learning. Research has shown that effort and self-discipline are much better predictors of academic success than IQ test scores (Duckworth, A L and Seligman, M E P (2005), "Self-Discipline Outdoes IQ in Predicting Academic Performance of Adolescents", in *Psychological Science Vol. 16, No. 12*). For this reason, it is far better for parents and educators to praise effort, rather than innate ability or the level of attainment.

I hope that parents and children will enjoy the Olympics and perhaps take some time to reflect together on some of the great lessons that can be drawn from the amazing performances.

Scholarships for Shore Senior School Entry

Each year the School offers a number of academic, means related, boarding and music scholarships for entry into the Senior School. One of these scholarships is the RGH Walmsley Scholarship which is offered to a boy currently in Year 6 at the Preparatory School. There is detailed information about these scholarships on the Shore website:

<http://www.shore.nsw.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships/scholarships-general-info>

Applicants for all scholarships, except for music, are required to sit the ACER CSTP scholarship examination. Applications for these scholarships generally open in mid to late September each year and close early the year after. I encourage all interested families of students in Year 5 to monitor both the School's scholarship page (link above) and the ACER scholarships website (<http://www.acer.edu.au/scholarship>) to make sure that they comply with application conditions and dates. Preparatory School students can only compete for these scholarships on the application of their parents via the ACER website. Late applications are not considered.

*Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School*

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

The Olympic Games

The Games of the XXXI Olympiad begin in Rio De Janeiro in just a few hours and there will no doubt be many ground-breaking moments that stir the hearts of nations around the world. The spirit of the Games is a hallmark of its importance and in Chapel this term we will be considering some of the themes of the Olympics as we explore the Bible. Training, Victory, the Prize and passing on the Torch are just some of the themes we will investigate. Enjoy the time watching the Games over the coming weeks and I hope many learning opportunities arise along the way.

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all of our participants (including parents) in our annual Athletics Carnival. It was a glorious day of community building (if not for the weather) and celebrating physical activity. The sense of spirit and the atmosphere during the finals was a real testament to the culture of the Preparatory school and the attitudes of the boys to their peers. I would like to extend a sincere thanks to Scott Mancey, the staff and all the parents who volunteered to help. Without the effort of many these events are not possible.

Sports Dinner

Our annual Prep Sports Dinner will be held on the evening of Friday 19 August in the Boarder's Dining Hall. Invitations for parents of boys in Years 4-6 has been distributed separately. The Sports Dinner is one of the major social functions in the Preparatory School calendar. It is a celebration of the boys' many wonderful sporting moments this year and the only chance to gather in such numbers for a sit-down meal. Please book your tickets before Friday 12 August via the Trybooking link on the invitation. I look forward to seeing you there.

Co-Curricular and Winter Sports Photos

Next Wednesday will be our Photo day for Co-Curricular and Winter Sports. The Co-Curricular photos will be taken at North Sydney in the morning and the boys are required to wear their normal winter uniform including blazer in their respective photos. At Northbridge, in the afternoon, the boys will be photographed in the winter sports team and are required to wear the uniform they play in on Saturdays. Boys in the Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country teams are also required to bring the appropriate uniform and any boy that is part of one of our music programs is required to bring in their instrument for the photos.

ICAS Competitions

At our Assembly on Monday Mr Harrington distributed certificates for the ICAS Science competition. Of our 66 Year 6 students who participated the following results were achieved, 1 High Distinction, 7 Distinctions, 19 Credits and 7 Merits. Congratulations boys! The English competition was held this week for boys in Years 3 to 6 and the Maths competition will be held on 16 August.

Holiday Dance Workshop

We are currently investigating the possibility of running a 2-day Hip Hop dance workshop in the MAC during the upcoming school holidays. The workshop would run from 26-27 September and would be led by Miss Dickson and a couple of professional dancers. We are currently looking for Expressions of Interest from boys in Years 3 to 6 who might be interested in participating in the workshop. Please email the School office if this may be of interest by 12 August.

Year 6 Immigration Forum

Year 6 are currently studying 'Migration to Australia' and the impact it has had on Australia as a nation. To understand this issue further we are planning an Immigration Forum to be held on Friday morning 12th August at 9:00 - 10:30am in the Shore Preparatory School Library. We would like to invite members of our school community who have emigrated from another country and now made Australia their home, to contribute to our Forum. During the Forum we would love to hear personal experiences of immigration as well as providing an opportunity for student to ask questions. We already have a few volunteers, but are desperately in need of further members of the Shore Community to contribute to this event. Please contact the Prep Office if you can contribute.

Office Foyer Display

Congratulations to Miss Robertson and the boys in 6R for their wonderful display in the office. The boys have displayed some of their recent learning about Tessellations and the art of M.C. Escher from their Maths lessons. The display is striking and colourful gives you some insights into their classroom investigations.

House Points and QCA

Congratulations to the boys in Hall and Linton who were tied first as our weekly House Point winners. Our QCA competition winner will be announced next week.

Adam Larby

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - North Sydney

Music

Congratulations to Harrison Balding for his excellent performance on violin during Monday's assembly. He played 'Carry me back' by Christopher Norton. This is one of the pieces that Harrison is preparing for his Grade 3 exam later this term.

Reminder: Evensong at St James' Church, King Street

The boys from the Chapel Choir have been asked to perform Evensong at St James' Church, King Street, Sydney on Wednesday 10 August 2016 at 6.15pm.

The boys will need to arrive at St James' Church, King Street at 5.15pm for a warm -up. After the service, which will conclude at 7.00pm, I have promised the boys a trip to McDonald's at 375-377 George St (next door to the Apple store) for dinner. The boys coming to dinner will need to provide their own money.

Parents attending Evensong are free to take their boys home, if they so wish, at the conclusion of the service or after McDonald's. After dinner the remaining boys will return by train with me to the main entrance of Shore Senior School (Blue Street) at 8.30pm for pickup.

David Jensen

Prep Music Co-ordinator

Library

Reading Groups began successfully last week, a big thank you to all the parents who are participating.

Olympics Reading Challenge, ready set go! Our Olympics Reading Challenge began on Friday and all boys are encouraged to participate. All boys should now have received their recording booklet. A prize for all boys who complete the challenge and medals for those who have read the most. Good luck to all participants!

Margo Pickworth
Teacher Librarian

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Forgotten Items

As part of our job in encouraging independence, children must learn to be responsible for their belongings. This includes remembering items for the school day. If your child forgets an item needed for school, as hard as it is, please try to refrain from bringing it to school for them. Mrs Lockyer has been very busy over the last few weeks delivering items to classrooms. Although she does not mind doing this, it is important for the children to learn an important life lesson.

100 Days of School

On Tuesday, Kindergarten marked a very important milestone. They have now completed their first 100 days of school. Mrs Crerar and Mrs Conyngham organised some very exciting activities for the day of celebration, culminating in a teddy bears' picnic. Congratulations, Kindergarten.

Save the Date!

This year our Mini Prep Proms will be held on Thursday, 8 September. The children have begun practising their items and are already excited. Information about Mini Prep Proms will be sent home within the next couple of weeks.

Dance Showcase

Congratulations to the Year 1 and 2 Dance Club and Elective Dance Group who performed so well last Friday at the annual Ravenswood Dance Showcase. It was wonderful to see so many other independent schools perform on stage and celebrate the joy of dance in schools. I was very proud of both Shore groups.

Toys at School

May I remind all families that at K,1,2 toys are not to be brought to school. If something is very important to bring for 'news', the class teacher will mind the item for the day. Tennis balls and handballs may be brought to school, provided that they are clearly named. May I also remind you that mobile phones, ipods and other similar devices are not to be brought to school. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Assemblies

Thank you to Mrs Anderson and the Year 2 children for leading our special Olympics Assembly on Wednesday. Next week, we look forward to 1T's Assembly. All 1T parents and visitors are invited back to the classroom following the assembly. Congratulations to **Year KC** for winning the **Quality Class of the Week Award** for this week and to **2M** as our Chapel Money Champions. Well done.

Other Information to Note:

Thursday, 11 August – Bronwyn Vaughan Incursion

Friday, 16 September - Rescheduled K12 Athletics Carnival

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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ELC News

Grandparents and Special Guest Morning Tea

Next week, on Wednesday and Thursday, we are looking forward to our *Grandparent and Special Guest Morning Teas*. These events are two of our favourites in the ELC calendar, as we welcome guests who come from near and far to spend time with us and explore our beautiful learning environment. Guests are invited to arrive in the ELC garden from 10:00am. The children will share a few of their favourite songs at 10:15am, before we all join together to eat delicious scones and explore the Centre. Don't forget to remind guests to bring something warm to wear, it can be very chilly in our garden in the morning. If it is raining these events will still go ahead and will take place in the ELC multipurpose room.

American Tea

The Northbridge American Tea is on Friday 2 September 2016 from 9:00am to 11:30am. For those families new to the school it is essentially our school fete, harking back to 1939. It has a dual purpose of bringing the school community together for a fun day of rides and treats, and also raising money for the Shore Association to purchase new toys, books, play equipment, sporting equipment and electronics for classrooms. Every year group at Northbridge from ELC, Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 is responsible for a stall and parents are asked to kindly donate to their year group stall.

The ELC will be running the Lucky Chance Stall where tickets can be purchased for a chance to win a prize. If you would like to donate a prize item to the Lucky Chance Stall please contact our Shore Association Representatives Karla Brooks or Edwina Gilbert shoreelcrep@gmail.com, or simply hand your items to Miss Penny. Some suggested ideas for donations are:

- Vouchers for an experience eg. Photography, restaurant or beauty clinic
- Sporting memorabilia eg. Signed rugby ball
- Gifts packs eg. Lego sets, skin care products, bbq tongs/ cookbook
- Ball packs containing soccer ball, rugby ball & tennis balls
- Children's beach packs or children's dress ups
- Shopping vouchers, petrol vouchers,
- Wine, Champagne
- Homeware items or homemade items such as knitted beanies, rugs or scarves.

If you are time poor and prefer to donate money, the cost of the services of the Balloon Man also needs to be covered, this way the sales of balloons on the day can be contributed to fund raising efforts. Miss Penny will also collect money towards this.

The American Tea is a great fun day and relies on the generosity of the Shore community and I encourage you to look for ways to get involved. Please contact Karla or Edwina if you are able to help in any way. Further information regarding tickets and rides and other events on the day will be distributed over the coming weeks. I look forward to enjoying this morning with you all.

Cooking Fun!

I extend a big thank you to Archer's mum Tash, for taking a cooking class on Monday with the Blue Room children. They all loved mixing up the ingredients for their delicious bliss balls, and of course eating them all up! It is always

such a delight to have family members participate in our educational program. If you have a skill, passion or interest that you would like to share with the children, please let myself, Miss Mel or Miss Helen know; we would love to include you.

Important Dates

Tuesday 9 August – Northbridge Open Morning

Wednesday 10 August – Grandparent and Special Guest Morning Tea

Thursday 11 August - Grandparent and Special Guest Morning Tea

Wednesday 31 August – Father's Day Breakfast

Thursday 1 September – Father's Day Breakfast

Friday 2 September – American Tea

*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

Good luck to all boys playing their final game for winter sport this year. We have had some great results and the boys have developed as individuals and teams.

Boys, I would like to think that at the end of your games tomorrow that each of you would take time out to thank your coaches and parents for the fun you have had this season.

Shore Prep will now be heading into the athletics season, with a number of Invitational carnivals to attend and the IPSHA Athletics carnival later in the term. After the carnival today, the Athletics team will be announced and will be required to attend the following Invitational Athletics carnivals.

13th August - Shore Invitational Athletics Carnival – Narrabeen Athletics track.

20th August – Barker Invitational Athletics Carnival – Barker College.

27th August – The Kings' School Invitational Athletics Carnival – The Kings' School.

29th August – IPSHA Athletics Carnival – Homebush.

*Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster*

Results—Week 9

1st XV Rugby	Mr Mancey	Newington	L	12-21
2nd XV Rugby	Mr Larby	Newington	W	22-12
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Newington	W	21-5
11B Rugby	Mrs Morrison	Newington	L	20-60
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	Cranbrook	W	50-7
10B Rugby	Mr Jensen	Cranbrook	L	13-62
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	Cranbrook	L	0-2
2nd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	Cranbrook	L	1-2
3rd XI Football	Miss Dickson	Cranbrook	L	0-2
11A Football	Mr Case	Cranbrook	L	3-5
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Cranbrook	L	3-5
11C Football	Mr Knight	Cranbrook	L	1-2
10s Blue	Miss Polis	Arden	W	9-0
10s White	Mr Grainger	Arden	W	4-3

Round 10 : 6 August 2016

**** Note change of time for 11 A Football ****

1st XV Rugby	Mr Mancey	Barker Taylor Field	10.15am
2nd XV Rugby	Mr Larby	Barker Taylor Field	9.30am
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Barker School Field, Nth Syd	8.45am
11B Rugby	Mr Morrison	Barker School Field, Nth Syd	8.00am
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	Scots Christison Park	8.45am
10B Rugby	Mr Jensen	Scots Christison Park	8.00am
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	St Patrick's SPC # 3	8.00am
2nd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	St Patrick's SPC # 3	8.45am
3rd XI Football	Miss Dickson	St Patrick's SPC # 3	9.30am
11A Football	Mr Case	Scots UNSW David Phillips	8.00am
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Scots UNSW David Phillips	8.45am
11C Football	Mr Knight	Scots UNSW David Phillips	9.30am
10s Blue	Miss Polis	Santa Sabina Northbridge E	8.00am
10s White	Mr Grainger	Santa Sabina Northbridge E	8.00am

Venues - Round 10:

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

SCOTS:

Christison Park - Old South Head Road, Vacluse
UNSW David Phillips Field - Gwea Avenue, Daceyville

ST PATRICK'S:

SPC # 3 - (School) Edgar Street, Strathfield

Shore Association



80 Years of American Tea

4 ½ weeks to go!

Friday 2nd September 2016

The American Tea is the Shore Association's main fundraiser;

This year we are celebrating 80 years!

From its humble beginnings, it has evolved into a wonderful day for the whole Shore Community.

Come along and join the fun!

Volunteers are also needed!

Please click on the Sign Up Genius Link below and choose a stall and time to help out.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084aafaa2fa13-shore2>

Event bookings and Pre orders are available via the following links:

Shore Hoopla Tennis Day, Tuesday 23rd August 2016

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

Year 10 Father & Son Breakfast, Friday 2nd September 2016

<https://www.trybooking.com/MHWI>

Guessing Competition Tickets

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

Christmas Cakes & Puddings Pre Orders

<https://www.trybooking.com/LUOJ>

Sweets Pre Orders

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

Gourmet Curries Pre Orders

<https://www.trybooking.com/MDXM>

Shore Association



Shore American Tea 2016 Guessing Competition Prizes



First Prize: kindly donated by ABC Bullion
18ct white gold chain and diamond bar pendant
Diamond weight = 0.55ct
9 diamonds = RBC (round brilliant cut)
F colour
VS clarity
Value: \$3250.00



Second Prize: 7 days stay in unique Guest House accommodation in scenic Queenstown countryside. 10 minutes from historical Arrowtown and 20 minutes from happening Queenstown. 20 minutes door to door to Coronet Peak. 40 minutes to the Remarkables ski fields.

Guest house provides two bedrooms, one king bed main and one bunk room that can sleep up to 6. Fully contained with wood fire, working kitchen, TV, and wifi.
Lucky winners could also have the use of a Toyota Hilux for the time of their stay.
Expiry and Dates: Valid for one year Value: \$3000.00



Third Prize: 3 month Platinum Fitness First membership donated by Mosman gym
Value \$471



Fourth Prize: Original Kate Clarkson painting
Value \$400



Fifth Prize: Luxury hamper donated by several American Tea vendors. Visit them at the American Tea to see more fantastic products.
Value \$350

\$5 per ticket, \$50 per book

Try booking link for online tickets:
<http://www.trybooking.com/MJMK>