



# PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 29 August	Tuesday 30 August	Wednesday 31 Aug	Thursday 1 Sept	Friday 2 Sept	Sat 3/Sun 4 Sept
Public Speaking Comp (Class phase begins..) IPSHA Athletics Carnival Y6 Amazing Me - Parent Session (7pm)	Y5 Final Reading Groups Y6 Amazing Me - Class session Y5 PAVe Survey	Senior Art Exhibition in MAC > Y6 Final Reading Groups K12 Assembly - KH ELC Father's Day Breakfast Buddies Y6 PAVe Survey	Y3 Final Reading Groups ELC Father's Day Breakfast Girls' Afternoon	<b>AMERICAN TEA AMERICAN TEA @ NORTHBRIDGE</b>	Sunday— Father's Day
Monday 5 Sept	Tuesday 6 Sept	Wednesday 7 Sept	Thursday 8 Sept	Friday 9 Sept	Sat 10/Sun 11 Sept
	Prep Pulitzer	K12 - General Assembly CIS Athletics Buddies	Y4 Excursion - Monkey Baa Theatre Mini Proms (5pm)	Y4 Final Reading Groups	<b>Y7 2017 Placement Tests Y5 Father/Son Camp</b>

## Australia: Story Country

This year's Book Week theme 'Australia: Story Country' recognises the long history that our country has in storytelling, not only embedded in our indigenous culture but through to the wealth of quality contemporary children's literature. It recognises that storytelling is an integral part of who we are as human beings and that good literature in all its forms is at the heart not only of becoming literate but also of being confident and competent citizens of our country.

To this end, we need to work together to engage young readers in the wonderful world of stories, words, images and sounds to reflect, expand and enrich their lives. While this is not always an easy process with many activities competing for young people's time, let's begin as 'babes in arms' and work in partnership with teachers, librarians, families and the community. All can play a part in exploring the opportunities and challenges of literature for young people in today's multi-literate world.

Here at the Preparatory School the library is an integral part of our schools teaching and learning program, both at North Sydney and Northbridge. Book Week is always celebrated with a range of exciting activities, including the display of award-winning books and a visit by children's authors, including Matt Stanton and Deb Abela. At North Sydney, the Olympics have inspired our Olympic Reading Challenge and Pokémon have appeared on library windows, promoting the favourite books of the Year 3-4 boys. Our Book Swap event raised money for Room to Read, the international charity that supports libraries and literacy in developing countries. At Northbridge, students made Mr Huff balloons, flew kites and had a celebrity book-reading of 'Piranhas don't eat Bananas' by Aaron Blabey. Both school libraries always provide warm and secure environments for children to read and share stories together, and are a fitting place for the celebration of Australia: Story Country.

*Laurel Reynolds and Margo Pickworth  
Teacher Librarians, Shore Preparatory School*

## Mosman Youth Literature Awards Night

Each year, boys in the Enrichment programme at North Sydney enter stories into the Mosman Youth Literature Competition. This year some wonderful stories were entered yet again and three of our boys' stories have been short-listed. Congratulations to Harrison Balding, Elliot Wilson and Charlie Richardson who will be joining Miss Johnson at the

Awards Night on Wednesday 31 August. We can't wait to hear what the judges say!

## Supporting St Lucy's School

Each year, Shore Preparatory School participates in the St Lucy's School Week Without Words, which is intended to raise awareness about children with communication disabilities. The children will be participating in activities during Buddies time over the coming weeks, but families can also support St Lucy's individually by participating in a raffle or donating directly to St Lucy's School. Please find more details below. A donation box is also at the North Sydney Prep office.

<http://www.weekwithoutwords.org.au/>  
<https://www.rafflelink.com.au/www2016>

*Nick Saunders  
Head of Shore Preparatory School*

# North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

## Today's Future Sound Workshop

Year 6 spent time on Monday in an incursion with a group of travelling musicians from Oakland, California. The project known as Today's Future Sound, strongly believe that music has the power to transform and inspire youth to create positive change in their lives and communities. They view their work as having educational, therapeutic and social components that can empower individuals to build confidence, inspire creativity, and create change. Year 6 learnt about hip-hop culture and its global influence and took turns creating their own beats and performing for their peers. It was an absolute privilege for the boys to take part in their workshop on their brief visit to Australia.

## Afternoon Pick Up

A reminder to all parents and carers who do afternoon pick up at North Sydney that boys in Year 3 are to be picked up at the Edward St gate by 3:15pm and that all boys in Years 4-6 are to be picked up from the Union St gate also by 3:15pm. This arrangement is in place to support the heavy traffic flow that is experienced around the school at the end of each day. We strongly encourage you to pick up by car from these locations, rather than parking and arriving on foot. If you are running late please contact the school office so that the teacher who is supervising the boys can be notified. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

## American Tea

Without doubt, next Friday will be one of the biggest events of the school year and a huge day for all boys, who will attend the American Tea in two sessions; 9:15-10am and 1:15-2pm. During these times they will be allowed to move around the stalls and enjoy spending their money. Expectations of the boys in regards to their behaviour will, as always, be high. Parents and grandparents are welcome to accompany their children at the above times. However, no boy will be allowed to attend the American Tea at other times, nor will they be permitted to leave school before 2.55pm. It is strongly recommended that parents consider carefully the amount of money students bring to spend. In the past, a maximum of \$25 has served as a guide. **Please note that the tuckshop is not available for lunch orders on Friday.**

## Tournament of Minds

After months of preparation, often early in the morning or on weekends, our Tournament of Minds boys will present their work at the Met North Tournament of Minds Competition on Sunday. All the best boys! We look forward to Monday's Assembly performance.

## Amazing Me

As part of our PDHPE programme, 'Amazing Me' will be presented for Year 6 students and their parents on Monday evening from 7pm until approximately 8.15pm in the MAC. If you are attending, please be punctual. Boys are expected to be in casual clothing.

## CRU FIT Leadership Training

On Wednesday, seven of our Year 6 students travelled to Roseville College to take part in a leadership training program run by Crusaders. We were joined by students from Roseville, Abbotsleigh and Ravenswood for a time of talks and elective workshops. "CRU leaders love God and love others" was the theme for the day, with electives that focused on helping the young leaders run their own CRU groups. Our Year 6 CRU leaders will be running our session next week.

## Parent Teacher Interviews

We are moving to an online booking system for our Parent Teacher interviews in Week 9. You will receive information about this shortly. The staff are looking forward to talking with you and your son about his learning and progress.

## Sports Dinner

Yet again, the Sports Dinner was a great success. Parents and staff enjoyed food, wine, trivia, humour, one another's company and a review of the year in sport. Thank you to all who contributed to the night through donating their time, their skills or simply getting into the spirit on the night. Finally, thank you to our Sports Dinner Committee for their considerable efforts to ensure that everything was perfect on the night. It was!

## Quality Class Award

Well done to 6R who received the trophy as the top class for their efforts last week. Thank you to Miss Robertson and the boys in 6R for the excellent example they continue to set. Great work boys!

*Adam Larby*

*Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School – North Sydney*

## **SPORT - Shore Athletics**

27<sup>th</sup> August – **The King's School** Invitational Athletics Carnival – The Kings' School - **CANCELLED**

29<sup>th</sup> August – IPSHA Athletics Carnival – Homebush.

Students are to be at school no later than 6.20am to catch the bus to the event.

*Scott Mancey  
Sportsmaster*

## **Music**

Well done to Toby Brandon-Cooper who performed 'Chanson de Matin' by Edward Elgar at Monday's assembly. Toby is developing a rich timbre on his saxophone and is working hard at improving his rhythmic accuracy.

The Junior Proms for Years 3 and 4 will be held on 21 September 2016 at 6.00 pm in the Smith Auditorium. As well as showcasing the Years 3 and 4 dance program, the Junior Proms will also feature a number of instrumental items that involve boys from Years 5 and 6.

If your boy is in the Concert Band, String Ensemble or Jazz Band, he will be required to attend this concert.

As all music ensembles will perform during the first half of the program, the boys in Years 5 and 6 will be free to leave the concert during the interval, at approximately 6.45 pm. Please collect your son from the Hawkins Foyer of the Smith Auditorium.

*Mr David Jensen  
Co-ordinator of Music*

# Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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## Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

### Book Week

This week at K,1,2 we have been celebrating Book Week in many ways. We have had special story time in the library at lunch time, a Book Week assembly and even an author discussing the books he wrote. We have been sharing our favourite books and the school has been buzzing with literature discussions. Thank you teachers and especially Mrs Reynolds for inspiring us all to love books. Girls and boys, ask your mums and dads what their favourite book is now and when they were young.

### American Tea

With only a week to go, the children are becoming very excited. Some mums and dads have been in school working hard and I know there have been many more working hard at home. There is still time to donate your time. Remember *many hands make light work*. Thank you to all the people who so willingly give up their time for our school. There is still time to volunteer. Please sign up using the following link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084aafaa2fa13-shore3>.

### Jackets

All children should be wearing their jackets to and from school during the colder weather. We have a few jackets that are going home with different children at the moment. Could you please check that your child is wearing his or her correct jacket with their name on it? This may be a good time to check all of your child's uniform has the correct name inside. The teachers continually monitor this and it makes it difficult if jackets and other items are not named.

### Arriving on time

There have been quite a few children arriving after the bell recently. Being late is unsettling and disruptive for the individual child and for others. Please ensure your child is here in plenty of time to prepare for the day. Children should be at school and ready for parade at 8.25am.

### Assemblies

This week we had a General Book Week Assembly led by children from K,1,2. Thank you to all the mums, dads and special visitors who came to our Book Week Assembly. Next week we will have **KH's** Assembly. All parents and visitors are welcome back to the **KH** classroom after the assembly. Congratulations to **Year 1M** on winning the **Quality Class of the Week Award** for the second week running. Keep up the wonderful work, **1M**. Well done also to **Year KC** on being our Chapel Money Champions for the week.

### Other Information to Note:

**Thursday, 1 September** – Girls' Afternoon

**Friday, 2 September** – AMERICAN TEA

**Thursday, 8 September** – Mini Prep Proms (5pm)

*Natasha Mitchell*  
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

# Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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## ELC News

### Week Without Words campaign – St Lucy's School

As part of the Preparatory School Buddies program this term, the students will be participating in activities connected to the St Lucy's school *Week Without Words* campaign. This is an annual fundraising and awareness project to highlight the communication challenges that some children face. The money raised helps fund speech therapy, educational programs and communication devices that enable the children to have a voice. The campaign runs from 5 – 9 September and children throughout the Preparatory School are encouraged to donate a gold coin in support of this very worthy cause. A collection box is located in the ELC foyer on Miss Penny's desk for contributions.

### American Tea – Heart Art

Have you seen the amazing Artworks in the Blue Room and Green Room Heart Art Galleries? All of the children now have their canvas displayed in the multipurpose room and they are available for purchase for just \$10.00 from Miss Penny.

### Blue Room Gardeners

Early in the year during March, a group of Blue Room children embarked on a Sustainability project where they planted seeds of tomato, baby carrots and cucumber. This project enabled them to develop a deeper understanding and an appreciation for the natural world. As stated in our service philosophy, we strongly value environmental awareness and view the children as future environmental advocates and becoming responsible citizens of the world.

*"Young people will have the seeds you bury in their minds, and when they grow up, they will change the world." – Author unknown*

Since then, the children have continued to nurture and maintain their vegetable garden by doing regular garden visits, watering the seeds and using worm castings to fertilise the soil. We visited the garden again this week and the children could not believe how much the vegetable plants have grown! The carrots seemed ready to be taken out and Miss Mel dug up 20 baby carrots much to the children's amazement. The children celebrated their efforts in successfully growing the carrots by washing them and having them for afternoon tea!

*Frances Bondad  
Blue Room Educator*

### Important Dates

Wednesday 31 August – Father's Day Breakfast

Thursday 1 September – Father's Day Breakfast

Friday 2 September – American Tea

Week 10 – Healthy Harold Life Education Van at Northbridge

Monday 3 October – ELC closed Labour Day

*Rebecca Schollum  
Director ELC*

# Shore Association



*American Tea Gourmet Stall*

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**American Tea**  
**Silent Auction**