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SHORE

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School

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Monday 31 Oct	Tuesday 1 Nov	Wednesday 2 Nov	Thursday 3 Nov	Friday 4 Nov	Sat 5/ Sun 6 Nov
K-2 Swimming School >>		No K - 2 Assembly		Y5 Excursion - Sculptures by the Sea	Summer Sport Round 10
Monday 7 Nov	Tuesday 8 Nov	Wednesday 9 Nov	Thursday 10 Nov	Friday 11 Nov	Sat 12/ Sun 13 Nov
K-2 Swimming School >> Y5/6 Debating >>		No K - 2 Assembly Prep Proms Y5/6 (6pm)		Choir in Senior School Remembrance Service (10.15am) Remembrance Day Assemblies (11am) ELC & K - 2 Christmas Cocktail Party	Summer Sport Round 11

Preparatory School Carols Services

The Preparatory School Carols Services are always a highlight in the Term 4 calendar. These services provide a wonderful opportunity for children, parents, staff and friends of the School to come together in worship and to reflect upon the amazing event of God becoming one of us, in Jesus. The choir sing in the two services and their beautiful rendition of traditional carols and songs always lift the spirits of the congregation. Hearing traditional Christmas Bible readings read by students and members of the Shore community, also helps us all to reflect upon the deeper meaning of the Christmas season.

This year, the two services are Tuesday morning 22 November for children in Kindergarten, Years 1, 2 and 3, and Wednesday evening 23 November for boys in Years 4 – 6. Kindergarten, Years 1, 2 and 3 children can attend with one parent each at the Tuesday morning service. Children will sit with their parent. Details about the arrangements for this occasion will be sent home shortly. ELC children are also most welcome to attend with a parent, but need to be taken by the parent to the ELC at the conclusion of the service.

All boys in Years 4 - 6 (except for boys in the choir) will sit with their parents in the congregation for the Wednesday evening service.

Due to the numbers expected, the congregations for these services should be seated by:

8:35am (8:45am start) for the Service on Tuesday 22 November and

6:50pm (7:00pm start) for the Service on Wednesday 23 November.

The congregation is also reminded that as this is a special Christmas Service no photographs are to be taken in the Chapel.

Shore Gift Policy

It is coming to that time of the year when some parents will be considering giving an end of year gift to a teacher. It is certainly never the expectation of the staff that gifts are necessary, but we understand that parents sometimes wish to express their gratitude in this way.

While always a lovely thought, gifts of an expensive nature

can sometimes place a staff member in an awkward position. For this reason, the School gives guidelines to staff in relation to the acceptance of gifts. I thought it would be prudent to share a couple of these points with parents at this time of year. Please note the following.

- Small, individual gifts are preferred to large group presents. Gifts such as homemade treats, chocolates, or other small mementos can often be the most meaningful, especially if the child has been involved in the process of choosing, or making, or writing a card.
- In this age of very busy parents (I am one of them and understand the pressure!) it is convenient to get a group to contribute to the purchase a larger gift. If this is a preferred approach, please bear in mind that no gift (group or otherwise) should ever exceed \$150 in value.

I appreciate your consideration of these matters.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

Remembrance Day Service



Friday November 11 at 10am

Shore Chapel

Speaker – Rev Dr Nick Foord

Prep School Choir will be singing
Morning Tea will be served on the
Chapel Lawn

followed by the Last Post at 11am

Everyone is welcome to attend -
Old Boys, Parents, Grandparents,
Staff & Friends

Parking is available in the school car park OR
next to Graythwaite for elderly or disabled

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North Sydney News - Years 3 to 6

Senior School Orientation Events

As our Year 6 boys start to ponder life in the Senior School next year and beyond, their teachers will be organising a number of orientation opportunities exclusively for the boys of the Prep. For example, Year 6 classes will participate in a number of Senior School lessons, Cru attendees will get the chance to visit the Senior School Cru Group, the Deputy Headmaster will visit for a chat and students with particular needs will get the opportunity to meet staff and visit places that will become important to them. Behind the scenes, Senior School housemasters will meet with the Year 6 teachers to ensure that important information about each student is passed on. All of this is in addition to Senior School New Boys' Morning on Monday 21 November that is attended by all students who will be in Year 7 next year. All of these efforts are intended to ensure that the boys of the Prep have as smooth a transition as possible to the bigger and even busier world of the Senior School.

Year 6 Thank You Dinner

Invitations for the Year 6 Thank You Dinner on Wednesday 16 November were emailed this week. To secure your place at the evening please book your tickets at www.trybooking.com/NNTC by Friday 11 November.

Year 6 Fundraiser

Our annual Year 6 Fundraiser will take place during lunchtime on Tuesday 15 November. All Prep boys can take part and are encouraged to bring some money so they can purchase food and participate in the games stalls. This year we will have a mini Trash and Treasure stall on the day and we are asking for donations of toys, games and books (in good condition) for the stall. If you have anything that might be suitable for the stall please send it in with your son to the Office from Monday 24 October. Thank you for your support with this initiative. The money raised by our Year 6 boys goes towards the Year 6 Farewell gift to the Preparatory School and support of our sponsor children Justino and Prasat.

Prep Proms

On Wednesday 9 November, our Year 5-6 Prep Proms will be held in the Smith Auditorium at 6pm. This is always a fantastic evening where our instrumental groups and all senior boys will perform in music and dance. You are invited to book tickets at <https://www.trybooking.com/NMOA>. *Please be considerate of our community by limiting your seats to 3 per family and only booking seats you intend to use.* If special circumstances necessitate more than 3 tickets, please contact the Office with your request before booking additional seats.

Mosaic Concert

Continuing with the musical theme, Thursday 17 November will see many of our music students perform solo items in a Mosaic Concert in the MAC at 5pm. All are welcome to attend and enjoy some fine individual performances.

Quality Class Award

Well done to 5K who won this week. For all classes, careful listening and maintaining attention will be the keys to suc-

cess in the weeks ahead. Congratulations to the boys in Hall who were the winning house of the week. Keep up the good work boys!

Debating Gala Day

Last Friday, the school sent two Year 6 teams to the IPSHA Gala Debating Day at Barker College. This event occurs each year and is a useful opportunity to re-engage with debating after the intensive ISDA competition in Terms 1 and 2. Team A debated in the affirmative on the topic 'The Olympic Games are a waste of money', while Team B took the negative position on a primary debating favourite topic 'Homework should be banned'. Both teams were successful on the day. Well done boys!

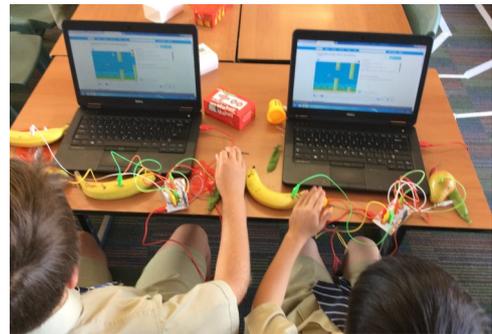
Adam Larby

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School – North Sydney

Junior Robotics News

The after school Junior Robotics students are learning about MaKey MaKey and taking part in an exciting investigation. They played music with bananas and pears and replaced keys in games with their own circuits.

Mrs Alex Geersen



Music

Congratulations to James Anderson for his excellent performance on piano during Monday's assembly. James performed the theme from 'Jurassic Park' by the American composer John Williams.

David Jensen

Prep Music Co-ordinator

Shore Preparatory School K,1,2 - Northbridge

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Northbridge News - K,1,2

Swimming

K,1,2's swimming programme will commence next week. All children should now have their navy Shore swimming costumes and swimming caps in their house colours. Mrs Lockyer still has a few swimming caps left at the office if you need to make a last minute purchase.

Nits!

Those creepy crawlies are back! Please remember if your child does become a host to nits, the treatments usually require a weekly follow up. Hopefully, we can keep the nits at bay and have a relatively itch free term.

Recess and Lunch Times

As the weather warms up the teachers are enforcing the No Hat, No Play rule. We are very conscious of the harsh Australian sun and we do not want any of the children to be sunburnt. All children must have a sunhat on to be able to play on the oval, the back paddock or in the playground.

Home Reading

Home reading is a vital part of the Literacy Programme. There are only four weeks of home reading remaining for the year. Home readers will cease at the end of Week 7. Your child should be reading every night. Even competent, independent readers should be reading aloud to an adult at least once a week. Please continue to read with and to your child.

ELC and K,1,2 End of Year Christmas Drinks

There are only two weeks until the Northbridge Parents Christmas Drinks. It will be held on Friday, 11 November at the Chapel at the Greenwood Hotel in North Sydney. This is a lovely time of the year for parents to come together to celebrate the year. Further information can be found on the Trybooking link: <http://www.trybooking.com/NECU>

Assemblies

This week, K,1,2 staff, students and parents were entertained by our final Kindergarten Assembly for 2016. It is absolutely amazing to see how much the children have grown in ability and confidence. Kindergarten, we certainly loved your song "You can count on me". Well done! Thank you, Mrs Crerar and Mrs Herron for your wonderful work with Kindergarten this year. We will not have assemblies for the next two weeks due to our swimming programme. Year 1's Final Assembly will be held on 16 November. Congratulations to **Year 1T** on receiving this week's **Quality Class of the Week Award**. Congratulations also to Year **2M** on being crowned this week's **Chapel Money Champions**. What great teamwork.

Other Information to Note:

Monday, 31 October – Swimming School begins

Friday, 11 November – Northbridge Parents Christmas Drinks

Wednesday, 16 November – Final Year 1 Assembly for 2016

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Early Learning Centre - Northbridge

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ELC News

Living Safely with Dogs

This week we welcomed the *Living Safely with Dogs* program to the Centre for the first time. We all learnt some simple but valuable strategies to help keep us and others safe around dogs. Natalie and Nicky informed us that there are times we should never pat a dog such as when it is excited, sick, angry, tied up, eating or sleeping and importantly when the dog is not with its owner. We also found out that if we would like to pat a dog we have to ask the owner first. If they say yes, then we should let the dog smell the back of our hand and then pat it on the back. After sharing lots of other tips with us, the children had the opportunity to put what they had learnt into practice and ask to pat Bella. I was impressed at how responsibly all of the children did this and was so proud of the children who may have felt uncertain, but found the confidence to overcome that.

Unfortunately the program on Wednesday was postponed and it will now occur on Wednesday 9 November. The parent session will commence at 9.30am and will provide some really useful information for adults making decisions around dogs and young children. I look forward to seeing some of you here.

Transition to School Statements

Over the next few weeks we will complete the transition to school statements for all children going to Kindergarten in 2017. This document includes thoughts from the child, educator and parents. It is intended as an information sharing tool regarding each child's interests, strengths, approaches to learning and suggests ways that these can be initially supported within a school environment.

Miss Penny will distribute statements to families to read, and we ask that you add to them and then return to the Centre. The completed copy will be forwarded to your child's new school prior to their start in 2017. If you have any questions regarding these, or your child's transition to Kindergarten please do not hesitate to ask me.

Christmas Celebrations, Save the Date!

On Wednesday 30 November (3 and 5 day group) and Thursday 1 December (2 and 5 day group) the children and staff of the Early Learning Centre would like to warmly welcome families to attend our end of year Christmas Celebration. Both events commence at 11:30am and conclude by 1:00pm. Further information will be provided about these great fun celebrations in the coming weeks.

Anglicare Toys and Tucker

Have you noticed the pallet that has been painted green in the multipurpose room? Over the next few weeks this pallet will gradually evolve into a Christmas tree with the help of the children. I can hardly wait to see what it will look like!

The Christmas tree will not only be great fun to create, but will also be the donation point for our final whole school charity for 2016, the Anglicare Toys n' Tucker Christmas

Appeal. Anglicare accepts donations of non-perishable food items, particularly those suitable for festive meals, and gifts for children and teens. If your family would like to get involved all you need to do is purchase food items and/or a gift for someone around the same age as your child and place it unwrapped under the Christmas tree in the multipurpose room. We will be accepting donations up until Friday 25 November. If you have any questions regarding this very worthwhile charity please do not hesitate to ask.

Important Dates

Wednesday 9 November – Living Safely with Dogs

Friday 11 November – Northbridge Parents Cocktail Party

Wednesday 23 November – Bronwyn Vaughan presents Sea of Stories

Thursday 24 November – Bronwyn Vaughan presents Sea of Stories

Wednesday 30 November – Christmas Celebration 3 and 5 day group

Thursday 1 December – Christmas Celebration 2 and 5 day group

Tuesday 20 December – ELC last day, closed at 4.00pm

Rebecca Schollum
Director ELC

UNIFORM SHOP

Open : Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
 9:30am to 4:30pm
 Ph: 9900-4704

SPORT

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)

Sports Venues

SHORE

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

BARKER

James Park - Lowe Road (next to Hornsby Hospital),
 Hornsby

KING'S

Price # 4 : 87-129 Pennant Hills Road, North Parramatta.

RIVERVIEW

SIC # 2B field - in the Senior School near Main Oval
 Riverview Street, off Tambourine Bay Road, Lane Cove

TRINITY GRAMMAR - STRATHFIELD

Prep School basketball gym & outside courts -
 115 The Boulevard, Strathfield

ROUND 9 - 29 OCTOBER 2016

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	St Patrick's Northbridge G	8.00am
2nd XI Cricket	Mr Harrington	St Patrick's Northbridge F	8.00am
Yr 6 Super 8 Blue	Miss Dickson	Redlands Northbridge E	8.00am
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Morrison	Riverview School Field, Nth Syd	8.00am
Yr 5 B Cricket	Mr Philips	Riverview SIC # 2B	8.00am
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Kleinig	** BYE **	
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Mancey	Barker James Park	8.00am
Yr 4 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	King's Price # 4	9.30am
Yr 4 Super 8 White	Mr Grainger	King's Price # 4	8.00am
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	Riverview River Road	8.00am
Basketball	Mrs Crerar	Trinity Strathfield	10.15am
Basketball Snr B	Mr Tooker	Trinity Strathfield TGS Prep	9.30am
Basketball Snr C	Mr Knight	Trinity Strathfield TGS Prep	8.45am
Basketball Snr D	Ms Brand Mr Knight	Trinity Strathfield TGS Prep	8.00am
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson	Trinity Strathfield TGS outside court	8.45am
Basketball Snr F	Miss Schlunke	Trinity Strathfield TGS outside court	8.00am
Basketball Snr G	Mrs Woods	Newington Lindfield NSBH	10.15am
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Coogee NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Jnr A	Mr Larby	Santa Sabina NSBH	8.45am
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Santa Sabina NSBH	8.00am

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RESULTS - 22 OCTOBER 2016

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	** BYE **		
2nd XI Cricket	Mr Harrington	** BYE **		
Yr 6 Super 8 Blue	Miss Dickson	CANCELLED		
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Morrison	CANCELLED		
Yr 5 B Cricket	Mr Philips	CANCELLED		
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Kleinig	CANCELLED		
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Mancey	CANCELLED		
Yr 4 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	CANCELLED		
Yr 4 Super 8	Mr Grainger	CANCELLED		
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	CANCELLED		
Basketball Snr A	Mrs Crerar	St Aloysius	L	28-40
Basketball Snr B	Mr Tooker	St Aloysius	L	25-62
Basketball Snr C	Mr Knight	St Aloysius	D	26-26
Basketball Snr D	Ms Brand Mr Knight	St Aloysius	L	12-44
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson	CANCELLED		
Basketball Snr F	Miss Schlunke	CANCELLED		
Basketball Snr G	Mrs Woods	CANCELLED		
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	CANCELLED		
Basketball Jnr A	Mr Larby	CANCELLED		
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	CANCELLED		