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SHORE

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School

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Monday 27 Feb	Tuesday 28 Feb	Wednesday 1 March	Thursday 2 March	Friday 3 March	Sat 4 / Sun 5 Mar
		K, 1, 2 Assembly - 2M	Prep Strings Band Camp	Shore Icebreaker	Summer Sport Rnd 4
Monday 6 March	Tuesday 7 March	Wednesday 8 March	Thursday 9 March	Friday 10 March	Sat 11 / Sun 12 Mar
Parent/Teacher Interviews Year 1 and 2 Variety "Just Like You Programme" - Pt 1	Parent/Teacher Interviews IPSHA Swimming Carnival @ SOPAC	Parent/Teacher Interviews K, 1, 2 Assembly - 1J Summer Sport Photos (1pm @ NB)	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Start Smart Financial Literacy - Yrs 1 & 2	Summer Sport Rnd 5 Y3 Father & Son Camp

Medallions of Excellence

The Medallions of Excellence have become an important part of Year 6 in recent times. They are awarded to boys who over the course of their time at the Preparatory School, North Sydney, have consistently demonstrated strong effort, excellent behaviour and an upholding of the Preparatory School Code of Respect. There is a criteria for applying for these medallions which is discussed with Year 6 over the course of their final year of the Preparatory School. The criteria has been 'tweaked' a couple of times in recent years to ensure that the awarding of medallions meets the overall intention to recognise consistent effort and behaviour over the entire Years 3 – 6 journey. I thought it would be worthwhile to outline the key points in relation to the awarding of the medallions.

The *Medallion of Excellence* acknowledges a boy's consistent achievement and effort over their time at the Preparatory School, North Sydney. They are awarded to **Year 6 students** who meet the following criteria:

- * A Year 6 student must have the equivalent of 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). Equivalent calculations are made for boys who start mid-year
- * In addition to having the minimum number of certificates necessary a Year 6 student must also need to receive at least 4 awards in Year 6
- * Students must also demonstrate outstanding behaviour, a positive discipline record, a strong sense of school spirit and a commitment making Shore Preparatory School a better place
- * 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 to Mr Larby, who will then invite them to apply in writing to Mr Saunders to explain why they believe they should be awarded a Medallion of Excellence (1/2 to 1 page). Once a boy has enough certificates and has applied in writing to Mr Saunders, he will

Consider the application and meet personally with each boy to discuss their submission. All Medallions of Excellence are awarded at the discretion of the Head of Preparatory School. Medallions of Excellence will be presented in our final Assembly of Term 3 (18 September) and Term 4 (13 November). No Medallions will be presented in Semester 1.

Preparatory School Family Service

A reminder that this annual Service will be held this Sunday, 26 February, at 9am. This is a special service for the Preparatory School Years 5 and 6 community and serves to remind us all of the Christian focus of our school. All parents are invited to attend this service and all Years 5 and 6 boys are expected to be in attendance. Families from other Year groups are also welcome to attend.

Assembly

Assembly is always a special time in the life of a primary school. The assemblies at K, 1, 2 and Years 3 – 6, are important for a number of reasons, including:

- They are an important corporate activity at school where children take part in a formal occasion together;
- They provide children an opportunity to learn public performance or speaking skills;
- They allow children to share some of the things that they have been learning in class;
- They allow parents to gain an insight into children's learning;
- They provide an opportunity where special achievements can be recognised and applauded;
- They are a forum where positive behaviours can be reinforced;
- They provide children with important information about the school;
- At North Sydney, the assembly also provides an opportunity for our Year 6 leaders to practise their leadership skills.

North Sydney News - Years 3 to 6

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At North Sydney, assembly is at 9:35am on Monday morning. On most occasions it will be in the beautiful Smith Auditorium in the Senior School. At Northbridge, the K, 1, 2 Assembly is at 8:30am on Wednesdays in the Hall. Parents are most welcome at both of these regular events. At Northbridge, parents of the children in the presenting class are also invited to visit the classroom after assembly.

Assembly is an important community event and one of the ways that parents, children and staff can come and share school together.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Week 6. It is a terrific opportunity to discuss your son's start to the school year, 'compare notes' with the teacher and demonstrate to your son your interest in his progress. Interview times will be open for bookings next Monday after 5:00pm. Please see separate e-mail sent today from Mr Paul Harrington.

Travel To and From School – Public Transport

I remind all students and parents that when travelling by public transport, as in all situations where students are in public view, the highest standards of dress and behaviour are required. In the interests of safety, students are expected to travel to and from school by the most direct, practical route. They are not permitted to enter shops or eat in a public place unless accompanied by an adult.

Electronic Devices

Many of our students carry mobile devices, in most cases phones, to and from school. In these cases, the School discourages expensive devices (iPhone, Smart phone, iWatch) that can be broken, stolen or targeted for theft. These devices must stay in school bags and be switched off throughout the day. All phone calls and messages are to be made in the Prep office, outside the school gates or with the permission of a teacher. Boys caught in breach of these expectations will be required to hand in their phone to the school office each morning for a period of time. At this stage of your son's cognitive and social development we believe it is wise that they do not carry devices with 'smart' capabilities or data allowances. However, where a student's phone or device has information and entertainment capabilities, it is the responsibility of students and parents to ensure that they are used appropriately. Any electronic device in a boy's possession at school must only be installed with appropriate software. Parents are encouraged to be vigilant in ensuring that your boy only has applications that are suitable for primary aged students. In this regard, I encourage parents to closely heed the mandatory advice and ratings that apply to software. Please also be mindful that exposure to scenes and themes via portable devices can be problematic when applications can be used in the presence of other students who may be younger or for whom parental consent has not been granted. I also encourage parents to periodically check their son's phone, particularly if they are able to download content.

Knowing who they are calling and messaging, what they're taking photos of and the types of games they are playing isn't an intrusion of their privacy, but a way for parents to support their sons in navigating our digital world.

After School Clubs Pick Up

We have noticed a number of students being picked up well after 4pm. Clubs officially finish by 4pm and it is imperative that you are prompt in picking up your son. The Prep office staff finish at 4pm and the phones are usually turned off. Please respect the after school commitments of the staff running the clubs and pick up your son promptly after these sessions.

Preparatory School Family Service – Years 5-6

Our annual Family Service will be held this Sunday 26 February, commencing at 9am (please note that the Choir will be assembling at 8am). All boys in Years 5 and 6 are expected to attend, wearing summer uniform (no caps or coats). Families and other students are warmly invited to join together when we gather as a community to hear a Christian message from Mr Saunders.

Sports Photos

On Wednesday 8 March at Northbridge all Years 5 and 6 sports teams (except 2nds Basketball and Tennis) will have their team photos taken. On Wednesday 22 March before our Cross Country Carnival we will have our whole campus, 2nds Basketball, Tennis and Year 4 sports team photos. Boys will need to bring the Saturday game uniforms for these photos. Please ensure these items of clothing are labelled clearly.

North Sydney Cocktail Party

The Years 3-6 Cocktail Party will be held on Friday 17 March at 7pm in the Preparatory School. Parents are encouraged to set the date aside and join with other parents and staff for an enjoyable social evening. Please contact the office if you didn't receive an invitation in your inbox this week.

Adam Larby

Music

Congratulations to Angus Wyles for his performance of 'Budapesto' during Monday's assembly. He played this lively piece on cello. Angus is also a member of the Chapel Choir.

The Chapel Choir will be singing at the Prep Family Service to be held this Sunday 26 February 2017 at 9.00 am.

I would like the boys to meet me in the School Chapel at 8.00 am for a quick practice. After the practice the boys will make their way to the Senior School Choir Room to be robed.

David Jensen
Music Co-ordinator

Northbridge News - K,1,2

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Healthy Food

As I walk around the playground at lunch time I am very impressed with what many of the children are eating for lunch. Some of you are very creative. This week, I have seen fruit salads, vegetables cut up for dipping in yoghurt, sushi, dried fruits, rice cakes, pasta salads and even chicken kebabs! Great work mums and dads. Healthy food is so important for the children. Please remember too, that we have some children who are severely allergic to nuts of all kinds. We ask you please **NOT** to send in any nuts, or sandwiches with peanut butter or Nutella on them. Thank you.

Before School

There is a staff member on duty from 8.00am each morning in the playground and at carlines. Children who arrive prior to 8.00am are not properly supervised and must sit in the foyer until the teacher arrives. The staff member on carlines is there as a point of reference for the children. Please ensure your child is able to unbuckle the seat belt, open the door and independently alight from the car with their bag. If they are unable to do this please park to assist your child. Please do not, however, park in the turning circle or on the footpath near the war memorial. This is a pedestrian only area. Thank you for your co-operation.

Sun Safety

Please remember that this time of year is a high risk time for sunburn. All school students are required to wear a school sunhat during outdoor times. No hat, no play is a very common Australian school rule and we have that rule here at K,1,2. Please also apply sunscreen to your child before school. We will remind them to reapply it at school.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews are scheduled for Week 6. These interviews are a time in which parents and teachers can compare notes on your child's first few weeks of school this year. Details of how to book an interview have been emailed to parents via the address you have provided through your Lampada parent account. A separate letter has also been sent home offering options for the supervision of your K,1,2 child during the interview. Please contact Mrs Lockyer in the K,1,2 office if you did not receive Parent/Teacher information. A portfolio of your child's work will be sent home on the Friday of Week 5. Please bring the portfolio to the interview to discuss it with the teacher.

Assemblies

Well done, **1T**. I heard you presented a great assembly this week. Thank you for your hard work and preparation. We look forward to **Year 2M's** assembly next week. Congratulations to all the students who received pink cards and merit certificates at assembly on Wednesday. Our **Quality Class of the Week Award** was awarded for the first time this year, to the boys and girls in **2C**. Congratulations to **2C** on also

being awarded the Chapel Money Champions Certificate. Well done.

Other information to note:

Friday, 3 March – Shore Icebreaker

Monday, 6 March – Thursday, 10 March – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Natasha Mitchell

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School—Northbridge



Teaching and Learning - Years K to 6 - 5D

Spotlight on 5D!

We have had a wonderful start to Year 5 in 5D. With 10 new boys joining us, the first couple of weeks have given us the opportunity to get to know each other and make new friends. Despite the heat, the boys have settled in well to their new routines. Here are some snapshots of conversations and activities the boys have done thus far. Enjoy!

Summer Holiday Poems

We challenged the boys to capture their favourite holiday moment through poetry. Here is a small sample, they are also currently on display in the office!

Earthquake by Sam Walter

As the see-through glass shatters and the plastic cups shake, everyone around me is as scared as a snake. Large tables vibrating, mushy food mixing, busy roads cracking.

Mammoth Lakes by Harrison Corcoran

Silent snow falling on top of mountains.
Footprints slowly disappearing.
Kids playing in the white fluffy snow.
Skiers racing down the hills.
Big trees covered with snow.

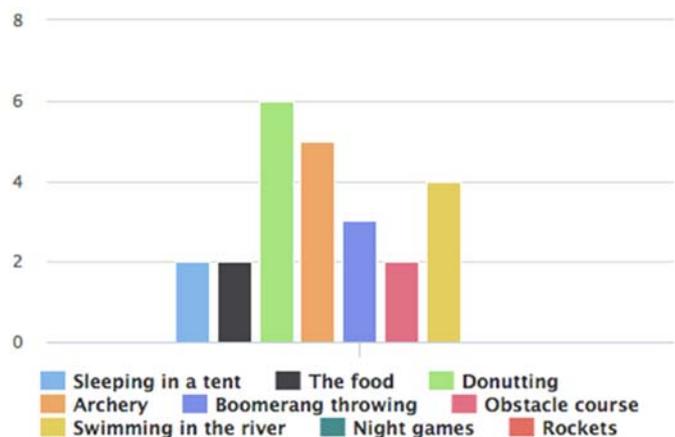
Newcastle Carnival by Oliver Carney

Steaming sun glowing in the sky.
Hot moving kids playing cricket on the oval.
Green grass growing as people dive slide on it.
Still fence standing, burning away as the day goes on.
Hard red ball whizzing past the stumps.

Grandparents Backyard by Ben Gillard

The shining sun was blazing bright on the pool.
Silent grass swaying on the green surface.
The GM bat was wooden and had awesome stickers.
The skid bowl was bouncy and round in the sun.
The Wahu stumps were plastic and floatable.

What was your favourite thing about camp?



Why do we learn History?

“My first reason is people. Many people from the past change human life for example Leonardo Da Vinci or Albert Einstein. Even the people who change the world by doing not so good things like Joseph Stalin or Adolf Hitler” Daniel Ivanhoe

“If we didn’t learn about history then no one would know about the people in different countries who did amazing things who changed the world” Thomas Malcolm

“History can be very interesting. There are so many events in history that are exciting, scary or sad which make history amazing to learn about” Alex Hosking

“The reason we study history is so we know what will happen in the future. The actions of the past affect the present. By understanding how these actions affect the present we can understand how our actions will affect the future” James Anderson

Clair Dickson and Viv Covey
5D Class Teachers



Early Learning Centre - Northbridge

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ELC News

Children's Sign in Table

The children's sign in area in the multipurpose room is once again up and running and it was great to see children eager to sign in this week! This experience is a great way for children to start their ELC day as well as a chance to practise writing their name with support from an adult. As children learn to write their names, it is important that we model the correct letter case using a capital to start and the lowercase letters to follow. This will in turn support them to recognise and write their names correctly.

Blue Room Programme- Welcome to the Jungle

Deep in the jungle there was a class of ELC children, ready to explore! These little adventurers have been finding out about all of the different elements that make up the Amazon, African and Asian jungles. So far they have discovered that the jungle landscape is made up of four different layers, the Emergent Layer, Canopy, Understory and Forest Floor. Using the iPads, we researched the types of animals that you may find in each of these layers and explored the unique characteristics of these animals. We incorporated a range of jungle focussed learning experiences such as jungle collage, songs and rhyme, as well as animal counting, creating a hands on approach to their learning, covering different skills, while fostering the interest in all things jungle! We also used the iPad to record, document and log the children's learning journey, hoping that this process will be a useful reflective tool for the children, as well as a great way for the families to be part of this exciting experience. The children's thoughts while completing their jungle collage:

Jack: "My jungle is about the jungle animals."

Hudson: "Giraffes live in the jungle don't they?"

Taylor: "In the jungle there are animals. That's a chameleon."

Josh: "Snakes live in the jungle."

Rhys: "The monkey lives in the jungle and the butterfly."

Poppy: "The jungle has lots of animals. A monkey too."

Tommy: "I made a gorilla, a frog and a house."

Alex: "My one has a rainforest. I see a train track in the jungle.

There are hippos and some more hippos."

Coco: "Jungles have lots of tigers in it and sometimes bird and trees.

Giraffes eat leaves from trees."

Sophie Graham
Blue Room Educator

Birthdays at ELC

Birthdays are an exciting time in the lives of young children and we love being able to celebrate these with them. If your child would like to celebrate their birthday at the ELC and bring food to share with their friends, I ask that there is enough for 50 children. Some ideas that work well are jelly snakes, marshmallows, popcorn bags, small frozen yogurt ice-creams or mini cupcakes. When providing mini-cupcakes please provide a full ingredients list and ensure that any shared food provided does not contain nuts or foods labelled 'contains traces of nuts'. Just a reminder that party invitations

should be emailed or posted and not distributed in the Centre. If you have questions about birthday celebrations please do not hesitate to ask.

Important Dates

Friday 3 March – SHORE Icebreaker

Rebecca Schollum
Director Early Learning Centre



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

Round 2 Results

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	Sydney Grammar	L	9-90 vs 9-121
Yr 6 Super 8	Miss Kleinig	Redlands	L	64-80
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Harrington	Cranbrook	W	0-47 vs 9-43
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	Mosman	W	68-38
Yr 5 Super 8 White	Mrs Bunting	BYE		
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Philips	St Aloysius	W	43-42
Yr 4 Super 8	Mr Grainger	Knox	L	63-74
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	St Aloysius	W L	A: 26-6 B: 16-18
1sts Basketball	Mrs Crerar	Trinity	W	28-2
2nds Basketball	Mr Larby	Trinity	W	36-13
Basketball Snr C	Mrs Geersen Mr Knight	Trinity	W	14-4
Basketball Snr D	Miss Schlunke Mr Knight	Trinity	W	39-2
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson Mrs Herron	Trinity	W	46-12
Basketball Snr F	Miss Johnson Mrs Woods	Trinity	W	15-4
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker	Trinity	L	16-20
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Trinity	L	2-30
Basketball Jnr A	Mrs Anderson	Trinity	W	20-10
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Trinity	L	6-8
Basketball Jnr C	Mr Morrison	Newington	W	10-0

Shore Swimming

The Shore Prep swimming carnival finally went ahead last Tuesday in perfect conditions. Congratulations to all swimmers who competed in the old tired pool at the Shore Swimming Carnival. Special mention to Mr and Mrs Stokeld and staff for their help and support in the running of the event. All the boys tried very hard which made for some very close and competitive races. Well done boys!

SWIMMING AGE CHAMPIONS 2017

	Runner Up	CHAMPION
Under 8	Alexander Savage / Max L'Orange	Oliver Piper
Under 9	Oliver Stokeld	Fraser Pandit
Under 10	Anderton Stock	Jack Pollitt
Under 11	Jamieson Lyne	Isaac Edwards
Under 12	Sam Wensley	Thomas Stokeld

WINNING HOUSE - LINTON

Swimming training will be held for Prep boys at the Shore School pool on the following dates. The sessions will start at 7.30am and be conducted by Mr Morrison.

Training dates at Shore School pool:

Tuesday 28 February
 Thursday 2 March

Your son may be involved in one or all of the carnivals. Each carnival has an individual order of events and the number of athletes each school sends will change due to this. A letter of congratulations and a programme for each carnival will be given to your son if he has made the Swimming Team.

Carnival dates:

The Scots College Invitational – Friday 24 February (Afternoon) - TODAY
 IPSHA Swimming Carnival - Tuesday 7 March (Full day).

Please note your son may be involved in one or all of the carnivals. Each carnival has an individual order of events and the number of athletes each school sends will change due to this. A letter of congratulations and a programme for each carnival will be given to your son if he has made the Swimming Team.

NSW CIS Basketball

Congratulations to James O'Donnell who was selected to represent IPSHA and Shore at the NSW CIS Basketball trials. Unfortunately James was not able to compete due to injury.

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Summer Sport Round 3 - 25 February

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	St Aloysius Anderson # 1	7.30am
Year 6 Super 8	Miss Kleinig	Barker Northbridge E	9.30am
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Harrington	BYE	
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	King's Price # 4	9.30am
Yr 5 Super 8 White	Mrs Bunting	Cranbrook Northbridge E	8.00am
Year 4A Cricket	Mr Philips	Scots School Field, Nth Syd	8.00am
Yr 4 Super 8	Mr Grainger	King's Price # 2	8.00am
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	St Patrick's River Road	8.00am
1sts Basketball	Mrs Crerar	Newington Wyvern Prep	11.15am
2nds Basketball	Mr Larby	Newington Wyvern Prep School	10.30am
Basketball Snr C	Mrs Geersen Mr Knight	Newington Wyvern Prep School	9.45am
Basketball Snr D	Miss Schlunke Mr Knight	Newington Wyvern Prep School	9.00am
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson Mrs Herron	Newington Wyvern Prep School	8.15am
Basketball Snr F	Miss Johnson Mrs Woods	Newington Wyvern Prep School	7.30am
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker	Newington Wyvern NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Newington Wyvern NSBH	8.45am
Basketball Jnr A	Mrs Anderson	Grammar Edgecliff Weigall # 4	8.45am
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Grammar Edgecliff Weigall # 4	8.00am
Basketball Jnr C	Mr Morrison	Barker NSBH	8.00am

Shore Cross Country

This year we will be conducting training sessions for all boys interested in improving their fitness leading up to the School's Cross Country carnival on Wednesday 22 March.

There will be two sessions per week supervised by Mr. Harrington and Mr. Mancey. These sessions will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, from 3pm-3:30pm. Attendance is voluntary and boys can choose to attend none, some or all of the sessions.

The training squad will meet on the steps overlooking the Prep basketball court after school and boys should change quickly into their PE uniform.

The sessions will conclude at 3:30pm. If your son is being picked up by car, please do so at the Edward St turning circle. Please be punctual. If catching public transport, he will need to change into school uniform.

If your son, is involved in any other groups on these afternoons then he is expected to honour that commitment. Those unable to attend are encouraged to commit to their own training in the weeks leading up to the School Cross Country. Under 8, 9 & 10 will run 2km and Under 11 & 12 will run 3km at the IPSHA Cross Country carnival.

We look forward to seeing many boys at training.

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster

Please note :

Y4 Super 8 Cricket is now playing at King's - Price # 2 field at 8.00am.

Basketball: 1sts, 2nds,C,D,E ,F - change of venue - playing at Newington Wyvern Prep School NOT Senior School.

Venues:

SHORE

School Field - Edward St., North Sydney.

Northbridge - (SCEGS War Memorial Playing Fields and Courts) 55 Sailor's Bay Rd, Northbridge

NSBH - North Sydney Boys' High, Falcon St, North Sydney

River Road Tennis Courts - River Road, Lane Cove
 Tambourine Bay Rd, Lane Cove

ST ALOYSIUS

Anderson Park # 1—Kurraba Road, Neutral Bay

KING'S

Price # 2 - 87-129 Pennant Hills Road, North Parramatta

NEWINGTON WYVERN

Cambridge Street, Stanmore

GRAMMAR EDGECLIFF

Weigall - Neild Avenue, Rushcutters Bay