

PREP PEEK

The Weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School



SHORE

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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 Inter-views IPSHA Swimming Carnival @ SOPAC	Parent/Teacher Inter-views K, 1, 2 Assembly - 1J Summer Sport Photos (1pm @ NB—refer page 2 for more details)	Parent/Teacher Inter-views	Start Smart Financial Literacy - Yrs 1 & 2	Summer Sport Rnd 5 Y3 Father & Son Camp
Monday 13 March	Tuesday 14 March	Wednesday 15 March	Thursday 16 March	Friday 17 March	Sat 18 / Sun 19 Mar
Year 1 and 2 Variety "Just Like You Programme" - Pt 2		K, 1, 2 Assembly	Kindy Excursion - The Farm Kids Lit Quiz heat - MAC (6-8pm)	NS Cocktail Party	Summer Sport Rnd 6

Kindness

In the first few weeks of the term, North Sydney Christian Studies lessons have been focussing upon kindness. This is the first theme in a series of lessons that examine the principles of good character, that is, how does a good person behave and how do we lead good lives. In this series we will be examining, in particular, what the Bible tells us about these important issues.

Students at North Sydney have been challenged to reflect upon the idea that 'a Mighty Shore Boy is kind' and to think of ways they can be kind at home, in the class and in the playground. They are discussing how being kind is about being 'others' focussed. They have examined some examples from the Bible, such as the Parable of the Good Samaritan, plus some classic picture books, such as 'I Need a Hug' and 'The Dot'.

In the Preparatory School Family Service last Sunday, these themes were explored further through the story of Ruth from the Old Testament. There are many great examples of kindness in this story. Ruth's kindness in not abandoning her widowed mother-in-law, Boaz kindness to support Ruth and her family in a time of need and, of course, the great kindness of God that flowed down through Ruth and Boaz's descendants, leading to Jesus.

We are hopeful that some of the reflection the students have engaged in through this discussion translates into changes in behaviour at school and at home. The next character virtue that students will be examining in coming weeks is 'Courage'.

Mega Manners Month

In a similar vein, at Northbridge K, 1, 2, the children have begun 'Mega Manners Month' this week which is an opportunity to show kindness to one another through the use of good manners. During the month of March, behaviours such as saying please and thank you, waiting rather than interrupting, greeting with a 'good morning' and saying 'good afternoon', letting someone else go first, will be particularly emphasised.

At their heart, good manners are about respecting one another and showing kindness: appreciating the ways in which others care for and serve us, acknowledging another person's unique worth and forgoing our own desire for immediate gratification (for example, being first to get a treat) in order to put someone else first. For this reason, using good manners is one of the focus behaviours in our Code of Respect, under the 'Respect Others' heading.

At Shore Preparatory School, our desire to nurture a culture of respect and kindness is, in part, based upon our educational aim to create a harmonious atmosphere to foster learning. But it also moves beyond this to a deeper purpose; that is to create a community that actively demonstrates God's love. As children experience and contribute to a loving and respectful community here at Shore, our hope is that they will develop both the understanding and the desire to continue to love and respect others as they move into the wider world.

We would ask families to support the School's endeavours in this area. Encourage your children to display good manners around the home and to practise kindness, even to their brothers and sisters! These acts will help them to gain an appreciation of the people they live most closely with and the ways in which those people care for them.

Icebreaker

I am looking forward to seeing many Preparatory School families, from ELC through to Year 6, at tonight's Icebreaker event. Each year, the Icebreaker provides an opportunity for relaxed interaction between different parts of the Shore community – parents, staff, friends of the School. It is also one of the few opportunities that parents and staff from both Northbridge and North Sydney campuses have to meet socially. Thank you to the Shore Association and the Shore Foundation for hosting this important event.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

North Sydney News - Years 3 to 6

Road Safety

This week I spoke with the boys at Assembly about the importance of being alert when crossing the road. We spoke specifically about leaving and entering the school and about which gates need to be used for their safety. Boys of this age can become overconfident and complacent and need constant reminders about this matter. Please make a conscious effort to speak with your son regularly about good road safety habits.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews take place next week. If you have not booked an interview time with your son's teacher please do so promptly via the online portal. Online bookings will close 24 hours before the time of the interview. The meeting with your son's teacher will be a chance to discuss your son's start to the year and the learning programme. Please be punctual to meetings and understand that teachers may have to end interviews and organise another time for further discussion with you in order to remain on schedule. There will be no parking in the school grounds for parents attending interviews. **Please do not park in the turning circle for any reason.** Students who come with parents are asked to remain seated outside the classroom and should have homework, a book or something else to occupy them as unsupervised games cannot be permitted.

Preparatory School Family Service – Years 5-6

Our annual Family Service was held on Sunday morning in the Chapel. Boys in Years 5 and 6 and their families, along with many others gathered to meet under God's Word and seek his blessings for the year ahead. We heard from Mr Saunders about kindness from the story of Ruth. The Choir's rendition of 'He is Risen' was angelic and it was beautiful to hear a number of very thoughtful prayers from some of our Year 6 leaders. Thank you for your attendance and continued support of our school community.

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 their Saturday game uniforms for these photos. Please ensure these items of clothing are labelled clearly.

Cocktail Party

The Years 3-6 Cocktail Party will be held on Friday 17 March in the Preparatory School. Parents are encouraged to set the date aside and join with other parents and staff for an enjoyable social evening. Invitations have been emailed and your attendance can be confirmed at www.trybooking.com/OXNG

Lost Property

Please ensure all of your son's belongings are clearly labelled when they come to school. Misplaced items are inevitable and clearly named items are much easier to return to their owner. If your son has misplaced any of his belongings please encourage him to check our lost property area or speak to his class teacher so the classroom can be thoroughly checked.

Items left at Northbridge on a Wednesday are also brought back to North Sydney. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Adam Larby

Deputy Head of the Preparatory School - North Sydney

Music

Well done to the boys in the Chapel Choir who sang so well during the Preparatory School Family Service. The Chapel Choir, led by Josh Brown and Angus Holliday, performed 'He is Risen' by the American composer Anne Herring.

Congratulations to Jasper Krawchuk for his excellent performance during Monday's Assembly. Jasper played the 'Love Theme' from the movie 'Titanic' on his trumpet.

David Jensen

Music Co-ordinator

Library News: Our school library is a very busy place. Boys are now into the swing of regular borrowing and researching lessons. The library is also busy at lunchtime when boys can read, draw and play quiet games. Boys are being encouraged to complete our Book Bingo Challenge and record their books in the Reading Log at the back of the school diary.

Library Blog: Our Library Blog is now up and running and boys are encouraged to read and contribute to our blog. It is located on the Preparatory School Library Homepage on Lampada.

Premiers Reading Challenge: Boys can sign up over the next two weeks to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge. They will be assigned a Password to upload their reading record. The password will be placed in the back of the school diary for easy reference.

Bolinda Borrowing Box: We have many new contemporary e-audio books available through the Bolinda Borrow Box app that boys can download and listen to on their own device at home. A password, which is needed for access, will be placed at the back of the school diary. Instructions for accessing these resources are attached to Prep Peek today.

Book Covering: We have many new books which need covering. Please call me on 99561 187 if you are able to assist by taking home books to cover. We look forward to hearing from you.

Margo Pickworth

Teacher Librarian



Northbridge News - K,1,2

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Car-park

We are very fortunate to have a car-park at our school. As such, we need to keep the car-park as safe as we can for everybody. Please abide by the car-park rules and can I ask for patience especially during busy times. Please note, there is a strict left hand turn out of the car-park. I urge all parents to communicate this to grandparents and nannies and anyone else who may be picking up your children. This is for the safety of all of our children, families and neighbours.

Portfolios

Today your child has brought home his or her portfolio. These portfolios are samples of work the children have completed in class. It is important to remember that these portfolios are not reports, nor are they a comprehensive summary of where your child is at with his or her learning. They are just samples of some pieces of work for you to peruse and discuss with your child. This is particularly the case as it is so early in the year. All comments or concerns may be discussed with your child's teacher next week at the parent/teacher interviews.

Coming to School

Congratulations to all the children who are able to come into school by themselves, carrying their own bag. Every day, I see more and more children being bold and brave and walking into school unaccompanied. Thank you to the parents who are also working hard at encouraging their children to become more independent. Remember, saying 'goodbye' at the foyer is a great place to start.

Uniform

Please note that the children's play/sunhats are for playground use during recess and lunch. The girls and boys are not permitted to use their formal caps or hats for playing. After School Care also requires the children to have their sunhat. Formal caps and hats are for formal occasions and for coming to and from school. Due to health regulations, the office does not keep spare hats to lend to children. Children without sunhats must stay under the awnings and are therefore unable to play in the playground.

Mega Manners Month

Wednesday was the 1 March and it was also the beginning of our *Mega Manners Month*. In March, K,1,2 has a 'manners blitz'. We will be encouraging the children to say "Good morning" to an adult without being greeted first, to use "May I..." to ask for something and naturally always using "please", "thank you" and "excuse me, please". Manners are important in our society. Thank you, parents, for teaching your son or daughter to use good manners. Remember... *"Good manners never go out of style"*.

Learning to Give

In Chapel on Mondays, children are encouraged to bring in money to help support our sponsor children through World Vision. Our sponsor children live in South Africa, Myanmar and Guatemala. Could you please remind your child to bring in a coin to help support people less fortunate than us?

Assemblies and Awards

Well done **Year 2M** on your fabulous assembly this week. What a talented group of children you are. Next week, **Year 1J** will present their assembly for us. Congratulations to **Year KH** on receiving the **Quality Class of the Week Award** for the second time this term. What a great week working together as a team. Well done also to **Year KH** on being the **Chapel Money Champions** this week.

Other information to note:

Monday 6 March – Thursday 9 March – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 9 March – Kindy Excursion to North Sydney Campus

Thursday 16 March – Kindy Excursion to Goldenridge Farm

Natasha Mitchell

Deputy Head of the Preparatory School - Northbridge

Teaching and Learning - Years K to 6 - 2C

Question, explore and learn together!

This term, 2C students have been studying our local history. We have specifically focused on investigating signs of the past and changes in technology during our topic *The Past in the Present*.

Northbridge grounds

To begin our great term of inquiry learning, 2C explored our school surroundings and discovered some fantastic facts about the Northbridge grounds. We were amazed to see so many signs that relate to the past and to the people who helped create our wonderful school. As the students explored the grounds, many took photos of the walls, artefacts and information plaques to capture and document their experience.

Edward and Thomas discovered that the new grandstand is named after an old boy, Michael Hawker.

Lachlan and Robert found the names of every brave Shore boy that had gone to fight in World War II and since then, on the Wall of Remembrance.

Ted and William discovered that even the tree in our playground where we sit to play games has a plaque with some historical importance.

We also discovered that the grounds were opened in 1919 as a memorial to the 880 Shore Old Boys who served and the 122 who died in World War I. When you drive into school the first thing you see is a sign saying Sydney Church of England Grammar School War Memorial Playing Fields.

Vaucluse House

To expand our learning further, we visited a living museum called Vaucluse House. We were keen to learn more and participated enthusiastically in every session. The highlights of our day included:

A walk around the estate and visiting the kitchen garden

Playing 19th century outdoor games such as hoops, skittles, croquet, cup and ball

Getting dressed as one of the Wentworth children

Doing jobs as a scullery maid such as folding the laundry, sweeping the floor and polishing the spoons.

It was fantastic to see everyone's excitement as we travelled through the museum, taking in the sights and discussing their observations with each other.

Question, explore and learn together. This is embedded within our 2C classroom. We know that our brains are making new connections and growing all the time as we challenge ourselves.

Mrs Sandra Curnow - 2C Class Teacher



Early Learning Centre - Northbridge

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ELC News

ELC Team

It is with great pleasure I advise you of the new Room Leader for Green Room, Miss Elise Girdlestone. Miss Elise, who has many years of experience working in early childhood education and care, will join us on Monday 27 March. Until that time Miss Alice will continue to guide the educational programme and provide leadership for the room. I take this opportunity to thank Miss Alice for her dedication and hard work and also welcome Miss Amanda and Miss Masumi who are supporting the room through this transition.

Nature Hunt

On Monday during 'second years' time', the children were invited to join the Green Room for a nature hunt. We took baskets and buckets with us, as we explored around the oval. We found a variety of natural materials including petals, leaves, sticks, blossoms, grass, bark and stones. We are going to use these materials to make an artwork for the Multipurpose Room which highlights a sense of belonging at our meeting place where we all come together. Speaking of nature... we have also introduced some natural materials to compliment a space in the room where the children are free to showcase their creativity!

Miss Melanie Upfold

What did you discover on your nature walk?

Charlotte: I found sticks, lots of sticks. I like the oval

Hugo: There were lots of dandelions, Ralph and me found yellow ones

Henry: I saw some sticks

Ava: Oh well...I just saw some bark, there was heaps of bark. I also saw some leaves, green leaves and brown leaves and some flowers too

Tyson: I just found a stick

Marley: I founded lots of sticks on the oval

Miss Hilary Ingram

Save the Dates

As part of our programme, we look for opportunities throughout the year to welcome families into the Centre to share in this beautiful learning environment that the children grow so proud of. So that you don't miss out on these opportunities I have a few dates for your diary:

Wednesday 10 May and Thursday 11 May - Mother's Day Celebrations

Wednesday 9 August and Thursday 10 August - Grandparents & Special Guest Morning Tea

Wednesday 30 August and Thursday 31 August - Father's Day Celebrations

We will provide more details on each of these events much closer to the time and hope to see you here.

Important Dates

Friday 3 March - SHORE Icebreaker

Wednesday 29 March - Incursion Peter Morgan Presents Kapakapa Manawa

Thursday 30 March - Incursion Peter Morgan Presents Kapakapa Manawa

Friday 14 April - ELC closed Good Friday

Monday 17 April - ELC closed Easter Monday

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

Results - 25 February

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	Cancelled		
Yr 6 Super 8	Miss Kleinig	Cancelled		
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Harrington	BYE		
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	Cancelled		
Yr 5 Super 8 White	Mrs Bunting	Cancelled		
Yr 4 A Cricket	Mr Philips	Cancelled		
Yr 4 Super 8	Mr Grainger	Cancelled		
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	St Patrick's	W	A: 17-15 B: 20-14
1sts Basketball	Mrs Crerar	Newington Wyvern	L	22-26
2nds Basketball	Mr Larby	Newington Wyvern	L	9-13
Basketball Snr C	Mrs Geersen Mr Knight	Newington Wyvern	D	14-14
Basketball Snr D	Miss Schlunke Mr Knight	Newington Wyvern	D	14-14
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson Mrs Herron	Newington Wyvern	L	10-34
Basketball Snr F	Miss Johnson Mrs Woods	Newington Wyvern	W	18-16
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker	Newington Wyvern	L	11-24
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Newington Wyvern	L	4-27
Basketball Jnr A	Mrs Anderson	Cancelled		
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Cancelled		
Basketball Jnr C	Mr Morrison	Barker	W	12-2

Shore Swimming - IPSHA Swimming Carnival

We wish the Shore Swimming team the best of luck for the IPSHA Swimming Carnival at SOPAC next Tuesday.

Shore Cross Country

The School Cross Country Carnival will be held at Northbridge Playing Fields on Wednesday 22 March. Boys in Year 3 – 6 will travel by bus to Northbridge at lunch time and be dismissed from Northbridge at 3.10pm. Year 3 will be dismissed at 3.00pm to ease the traffic.

Boys are asked to bring their PE uniform or their Shore athletics uniform to compete in.

The Under 8 & 9 race will start at approximately 1.40pm. This race will be followed by the Under 10, Under 11 and Under 12 races.

Boys in Years 3 – 6 will race to win a place in the Preparatory School Cross Country team. The following is a breakdown of entrants per age for the IPSHA Carnival on the Saturday 1 April at The King's School, Parramatta. At this event the boys will run 2km if they are under 8, 9, or 10 and 3km if they are under 11 or 12.

Under 8 & 9 – 10 places

Under 10 – 10 places

Under 11 – 10 places

Under 12 – 10 places.

Under 12 – 10 places.

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster



The Scots College Invitational Swimming Carnival

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Ph: 9900-4704

Sport

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Round 4 - 4 March 2017

1st XI Cricket	Mr Bayliss	CANCELLED	
Year 6 Super 8	Miss Kleinig	CANCELLED	
Yr 5 A Cricket	Mr Harrington	CANCELLED	
Yr 5 Super 8 Blue	Miss Polis	CANCELLED	
Yr 5 Super 8 White	Mrs Bunting	CANCELLED	
Year 4A Cricket	Mr Philips	CANCELLED	
Yr 4 Super 8	Mr Grainger	CANCELLED	
Tennis (A & B)	Miss Mitchell	Redlands Neutral Bay Tennis Club	9.30am
1sts Basketball	Mrs Crerar	Mosman Prep MIC	11.00am
2nds Basketball	Mr Larby	Mosman Prep MISC	10.15am
Basketball Snr C	Mrs Geersen Mr Knight	Mosman Prep MISC	9.45am
Basketball Snr D	Miss Schlunke Mr Knight	Mosman Prep MISC	9.00am
Basketball Snr E	Miss Robertson Mrs Herron	Mosman Prep MISC	8.15am
Basketball Snr F	Miss Johnson Mrs Woods	Mosman Prep MISC	7.30am
Basketball Snr G	Mr Tooker	Mosman Prep NSBH	10.15am
Basketball Snr H	Ms Wood Mrs Covey	Mosman Prep NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Jnr A	Mrs Anderson	Trinity Summer Hill NSBH	8.45am
Basketball Jnr B	Mrs Curnow	Trinity Summer Hill NSBH	8.00am
Basketball Jnr C	Mr Morrison	Arden Beecroft Campus	8.00am

Please note :

All Cricket matches have been **CANCELLED**.

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

REDLANDS

Neutral Bay Tennis Courts - 1 Barry Street, Neutral Bay

MOSMAN PREP

MISC - Mosman Indoor Centre - Marie Bashir Mosman Sports Centre. Cross Street off Bradley's Head Road, Mosman

ARDEN

Arden Primary Campus - 63 Beecroft Road, Beecroft



Shore Association

Join the new Northbridge Canteen Committee - 3 Coordinators required

The Shore Association is looking for 3 Canteen Coordinators to join a team of 5, from Term 4, 2017. Join the team with Gaby Hunter (Year 8) and Kate Stevenson (Year 9/11).

The Canteen Coordinators are responsible for the coordination and operation of The Northbridge canteen on Saturdays and at various sports carnivals throughout the year.

Judy Mussett has done a fabulous job in transforming the Canteen to what it is today - she will be stepping down at the end of Term 3.

This is a great opportunity to get involved with the School community and have some fun.

If you are keen, please contact Electra Wiggs - ewiggs@bigpond.net.au

American Tea Stallholder Volunteers

We are looking for parents in the Preparatory or Senior School to volunteer as Stallholders for the American Tea!

Sign up to run a stall at our fete and have fun whilst raising funds for our school.

We have spots available in the Coconut Shy, Soft drinks and Spiders Stall, Showbags Stand and Fairly Floss Factory among others. The previous stall holders will train you and help you along the way.

If you would like to help out in this capacity or in a smaller role for the American Tea, please contact :

Felix Henschman for more information. Mob: 0435 803 101 or fhenschman@gmail.com

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU

