

PREP PEEK

The Weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School



SHORE

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Monday 15 May	Tuesday 16 May	Wednesday 17 May	Thursday 18 May	Friday 19 May	Sat 20/ Sun 21
ELC - Green Room Interview Week >>	K - 2 Open Day (for ELC Parents - 9am) Year 5 - Reading Groups Commence	K,1,2 Assembly - 2M Buddies	Year 3 - Reading Groups Commence	Year 4 - Reading Groups Commence Walk to School Day	Winter Sport Rnd 4
Monday 22 May	Tuesday 23 May	Wednesday 24 May	Thursday 25 May	Friday 26 May	Sat 27/ Sun 28
ELC - Blue Room Interview Week >>	Year 2 Excursion to Flat Rock Gully	K,1,2 Assembly - 1T Buddies Evensong @ St James' - Prep 3-6 Choir	K-2 & ELC Open Morning		Winter Sport Rnd 5

NAPLAN

Congratulations to all the students in Years 3 and 5 who participated in the NAPLAN tests this week. NAPLAN week is always a very gruelling one for students and staff, so I appreciate the efforts of everyone in making the week run so smoothly. I know a few boys came to school nursing a sniffle or two, in order to take part in these important assessments, so a special congratulations to you! Well done to all the students for staying focused during the tests and we look forward to learning more about your achievement later in the year.

A Special Relationship with a Special School

Over the past five years, Shore Preparatory School have developed a relationship with St Lucy's School in Wahroonga. St Lucy's caters for children with a range of intellectual, physical and communication disabilities and each year, Shore Preparatory School conducts activities and fundraising around the Week Without Words, a week in Term 3 where St Lucy's asks partner schools and families to consider the challenges faced by its students. These activities are woven into the Preparatory School buddies programme, so children from across the entire Prep can participate in them together.

As a way of preparing for Week Without Words this year, the Year 6 buddies leaders and some students from Year 2 were invited to St Lucy's Morning Song Assembly last Tuesday 2 May. The Shore boys and girls listened to and participated in the prayers and songs along with the children from St Lucy's. Many of the St Lucy's children participated through sign language, with key signs, visual pictures and voices on iPads which was a wonderful learning experience for the Shore students. The guests from Shore and other partner schools learnt how the St Lucy's children use the iPad app "Proloquo2go" to help them communicate. The app costs \$400 for each iPad.

So this year, the Preparatory School hopes to raise money for St Lucy's to purchase communication and other assistive technology. Our ambitious goal is to raise \$10,000 this year.

To meet this goal we aim to

- Fundraise by selling raffle tickets – each family will be sent a pack of 10 tickets (or more if they want) to sell.
- Fundraise by having two "Silent Cupcake Stalls" (in Terms 2 and 3) where students will learn in buddies activities how to use a topic board/sign language to ask for a cupcake without speaking.
- Raise awareness through classes going silent for a period of the day and engaging in activities such as silent ball and learning to sign songs.

More information about these activities will be distributed in the weeks ahead. You can also find out more information about Week Without Words from the website:

www.weekwithoutwords.org.au

The RGH Walmsley Scholarship

Congratulations to Harrison Balding (6T) who has been awarded the RGH Walmsley (Closed Preparatory School) Scholarship. Harrison follows many Preparatory School scholars who have not only achieved well in the Preparatory School, but who have continued their academic success into the Senior School. Congratulations, Harrison!

Wednesday Northbridge Pick-up

With the Senior School winter season now in full swing, it is timely to remind parents of all children who use the Northbridge car park on Wednesday afternoons about the Northbridge car line procedures. With the high volume of traffic using the car park on Wednesdays, it is important that these procedures are strictly adhered to.

- Pick-up time for boys in Years 4 – 6 after the end of sports practice is 3:10pm; K,1,2 pick-up time on Wednesday is unchanged.

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- Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 are advised not to arrive substantially earlier or later than 3:10pm.
- Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 are advised to be punctual, as Senior School teachers and students will be arriving at Northbridge for training from around 3:20pm. Children who are not picked-up by 3:25pm will be taken back to the K,1,2 building.
- Parents who also have children in K,1,2 may choose to pick-up their younger children at the earlier K,1,2 pick-up time. It is recommended that these parents park in the car park, collect their K,1,2 child then wait for their older son. Parents who use the K,1,2 car line, will need to continue on to Sailors Bay Road after collecting their child, then return for their older son later.
- Alternatively, parents with children in K,1,2 may pick up all of their children at the later time of 3:10pm. K,1,2 children will be supervised at the car-line until the end of the Years 4 – 6 pick-up.
- Parents who also have children in the ELC are reminded that the ELC parking spaces are for short stays only. Parents who wish to wait for older children are advised to park in another parking space at Northbridge.
- Parents are reminded that the After School Care Service at Northbridge is available on Wednesdays to those boys in Years 4 – 6 who are enrolled. Parents of boys in Years 4 – 6 may also avail themselves of a cheaper rate if they are picked up by 4pm. This rate is also available to the K, 1, 2 siblings of these boys, if they are enrolled in After School Care. Normal rates apply to these children if picked up after 4pm. Note that this rate is available only for permanent bookings on Wednesdays.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

We Love You Mum!

To all the mothers in our Prep Community I hope Sunday is a wonderful day of celebration, family and pampering for you. I know the boys are incredibly grateful for all that you do (even if they don't articulate it in words or their actions as often as they should!). Enjoy your special day and I hope the boys step up and give you a very memorable day.

Standing Up For Those In Need

On Monday I continued with my talks about the Code of Respect and focused in particular on the line, standing up for those in need. Throughout their time at school the boys will have many opportunities to support others who are in need. When friendship challenges arrive it is important that the boys are able to recognise that friendships do change and

that this is ok, but that changes in friendships can never equate to 'mean on purpose' behaviour. Mean on purpose behaviour is going out of your way to do things to another that you know will annoy, belittle or frustrate them, especially when they've asked you to stop. The boys in the Preparatory School are always encouraged to support and build up each other and to look out for those in need. I want our boys to show empathy, be considerate and use their words for the good of others all the time, but especially when no one is watching.

Reading Groups

Reading Groups for Years 3,4 and 5 start next week. Parking for reading group parents will be available on the basketball courts at the corner of Mount and Edwards Streets from 8.00am – 9.30am only.

Canberra Grammar Games & Billets

Thank you for the many generous offers of billeting for our visiting Canberra Grammar students in Week 6. Families who are hosting billets will receive their names and contact information next week. All of Year 6 will be attending the rugby and football games which will be played on the afternoon of Monday 29 May. Parents are welcome to attend the games and the brief after-match presentation at 2.45pm. All of Year 6 and billets will need to be picked up from Northbridge on that afternoon.

Quality Class Award

Well done to 3B who have started the term as the top performing class for two weeks running. Congratulations also to the boys in Hall house who were our House Points winners. Keep up the great work, boys!

Adam Larby
Deputy Head of the Preparatory School – North Sydney

Music

The boys in the Preparatory School were treated to a feast of music making during Monday's assembly with the Concert Band performing for the first time this year. The boys played two contrasting pieces; 'Funkytown' by Steven Greenberg and 'Viva la Vida' by Coldplay.

Mr David Jensen
Co-ordinator of Music



Northbridge News - K,1,2

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Confidentiality

Thank you to the many parents who are helping in the classrooms at present. It is wonderful to see our school buzzing with children, teachers and parents, all learning together. May I remind parents of the need for confidentiality when working with children. Please do not discuss other children with other parents. This includes a child's reading ability or any behaviours you may have witnessed. As we know, children develop and learn at different rates and just like adults, girls and boys have both good and bad days. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Home Reading

As you are aware, home reading plays a very important part in your child's reading development. The teachers monitor each child's reading level not only by listening to each child read during a Benchmarking session but also through guided reading sessions within the classroom. In classroom reading activities, the children use texts which are slightly more challenging for them. Home reading on the other hand is meant to be relatively easy. It is a chance for the children to practise the skills which they have learnt in class. These skills include sounding out, chunking, re-reading, using picture cues and using the word in context. Fluency and comprehension are also very important reading skills. It is important not only to ask the children literal questions such as "What was the dog's name?" but also inferential questions such as "Why do you think the boy was sad?" Discussing the text in detail is a great way of doing this. Thank you mums and dads for supporting your child's reading development by making the time to read with and to them.

Mothers' Day

Thank you to Kate Hills and her assistants for organising our Mothers' Day Stall yesterday. The children absolutely loved choosing their gift. Happy Mothers' Day to all our K,1,2 mums. We hope you have a lovely day on Sunday. Here are just some of the reasons why our Kindergarten children love you. *"I love my mum because..."*

- ... she takes me shopping – Ada*
- ... she gives me big cuddles – Jackson*
- ... she takes me to nice places – Archer K*
- ... she loves me and cares for me – Annabelle*
- ... she is kind – James*
- ... she is beautiful – Gregory*
- ... she is nice to everyone – Harry K*
- ... she loves our dog – Henry S*

Buddies

On Wednesday, our Buddies Programme will begin for this term. The boys in Year 5 and 6 along with the K,1,2 children enjoy participating together in a variety of fun

activities each week. This term Baker girls and boys will be playing games, Davies children will be creating artworks, Hall students will be completing drama activities and Linton girls and boys will be participating in sports activities. Thank you to all the Buddies teachers and in particular to Mr Case for co-ordinating the sessions.

Assembly

Thank you to Year 1 for presenting our General Assembly on Wednesday. Miss Tootell spoke to us about our Term 2 charity which is Popondetta General Hospital in Papua New Guinea. Next week, **Year 2M** will present their assembly. All **2M** parents are welcome back to the classroom following the assembly. Congratulations to Year **1J** on being awarded the **Quality Class of the Week Award** and the **Chapel Money Champions** award for this week. Well done **1J**.

Other Information:

Friday, 26 May – Crazy Sock and Crazy Hair Day (For our Term 2 charity – details to follow)

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of the Preparatory School – Northbridge



Teaching and Learning - Years K to 6

Learning Support - North Sydney

This year the learning support team have established STAR club. The acronym stands for “Students Taking an Active Role in their learning”. The aim of STAR club is to provide a learning space that students can voluntarily attend to consolidate their learning, skills or work with their peers. We have used the word “active” as research suggests that students are more engaged in the learning process when they play an active role or take ownership of their learning choices. STAR club provides an environment to talk, listen, read, write and reflect. Students have the opportunity to do these in a cooperative manner with their peers. The club is open to all grades with the intention of encouraging cooperative relationships between grades and some mentoring could occur. The philosophy of STAR club means the decision to attend is the student’s responsibility and they are encouraged to make this choice themselves.

Some examples of the learning choices students have brought to STAR club and worked on this year are:

- Group work on the year 4 Fantasy Kingdom assignment
- Year 6 students working in pairs on their Afghanistan assignment
- Students completing their homework on a Thursday (due to sporting commitments after school)
- Peer reading between grade partners
- Revision of maths concepts the students would like to consolidate
- Students taking a break and having a quiet read.

There are several teachers available to assist students with their work. The teachers are working in both an instructive and facilitative role. It is recommended that students sign in prior to the Thursday or Friday STAR club and indicate their learning intention so that resources can be established in preparation for their attendance. Students can also choose to turn up on the day and bring their own work. Computers are available for the students to use.

Since the commencement of STAR club we have had 78 visitors in 7 weeks. All students are welcome to come to STAR club which is on a Thursday and Friday lunchtime in the Enrichment room. We hope to see you there!

Ms Wood, Mrs Vumbaca and Mrs Covey



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ELC News

Morning with Mum

It was a privilege to host the Morning with Mum celebrations this week. Families enjoyed activities including the Photo Booth, Portrait Painting and playing in the Garden Café. I would like to wish all the mothers within our community a very happy Mother's Day for this Sunday. We appreciate all that you give and do each and every day.

K,1,2 ELC Open Morning

Next Tuesday 16 May, K,1,2 will be open for families who are currently enrolled at the Early Learning Centre. Families are invited to tour the campus and find out more about the exciting programs available for both girls and boys. The open morning commences at 9am and will conclude at 10am with an informal morning tea.

Venus Fly Traps

Children in the Blue Room have been learning all about the mysterious Venus Fly Trap. They have been exploring different trap mechanisms that peculiar plants use to catch their prey. The children have found this absolutely fascinating and have been incorporating this into their play. Sock puppet versions of the Venus Fly Trap have been made to extend on the children's understanding of the structure, features and trapping mechanism. Excitement radiated from the Blue Room this week as the children saw real Venus Fly traps!

Letter Writing

In the Green Room this week, there has been a lot of interest in writing letters to old friends who attended the Early Learning Centre last year. Many conversations have taken place regarding where these friends are now. This interest has been supported in the Green Room by Educators placing a post box in the writing area in which the children can pretend to send letters to their friends. Interested children in Green Room are planning to write letters to their friends in Shore Kindergarten. They will be asking about the mysteries of big school and all their exciting school adventures.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Just a reminder to families that the Online Booking System is available to schedule Parent Teacher Meetings for children in their second year. Bookings will close on Friday 12 May for Green Room and Friday 19 May for Blue Room.

Important Dates

Tuesday 16 May – K,1,2 Open Morning for ELC families

Thursday 25 May – Northbridge Campus Open Morning

Monday 12 June – ELC closed for Queen's Birthday

Friday 16 June – Northbridge Disco

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 : 6 May 2017

1st XV Rugby	Mr Mancey	St Augustine's	L	0-24
2nd XV Rugby	Mr Knight & Miss Perry	St Augustine's	W	20-5
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Scots	L	14-29
11B Rugby	Mr Tait	Scots	L	0-35
11C Rugby	Mr Morrison	Scots	L	0-70
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	Barker	W	36-0
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	Internal	-	-
2nd XI Football	Miss Dickson	Internal	-	-
3rd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	Trinity	W	3-1
11A Football	Mr Case	Trinity	W	10-0
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Trinity	W	10-0
11C Football	Miss L Johnson	Trinity	W	1-0
10 A&B	Miss Polis & Mr Grainger	Grammar St Ives	A: L B: W	1-6 6-1
10s Blue & White	Mr Jensen & Miss Tootell	Grammar St Ives	Blue: W White: L	7-2 0-4

IPSHA Players' Code of Behaviour

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not permitted in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or for your team. Your team will benefit, so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays, whether they are by your team, opponent or the other team.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Place in proper perspective the isolated incidents of unsporting behaviour rather than make such incidents the 'highlight' of the event.
- If a player is sent off during the game, a one-week suspension is recommended.

Dress code

On these cold winter mornings, boys are expected to wear the full Shore track suit. No other jumpers or track-suits are to be worn.

Boys are expected to wear the correct Shore rugby or football uniform when playing. Club shorts and socks are NOT to be worn.

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster

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Round 3 - 13 May 2017

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2nd XV Rugby	Mr Knight & Miss Perry	Scots Northbridge G	8.00am
11A Rugby	Mr Bayliss	Riverview School Field Nth Syd	9.30am
11B Rugby	Mr Tait	Riverview School Field Nth Syd	8.45am
11C Rugby	Mr Morrison	Riverview School Field Nth Syd	8.00am
10A Rugby	Mr Harrington	King's White Price # 2	8.00am
1st XI Football	Mr Philips	Newington Wyvern Buchanan # 1	9.30am
2nd XI Football	Miss Dickson	Newington Wyvern Buchanan # 1	8.45am
3rd XI Football	Mrs Pickworth	Newington Wyvern Buchanan # 1	8.00am
11A Football	Mr Case	Trinity Northbridge E	9.30am
11B Football	Miss Janssen	Trinity Northbridge E	8.45am
11C Football	Miss L Johnson	Trinity Northbridge E	8.00am
10 A & B	Miss Polis & Mr Grainger	Newington Tempe Reserve 3	11.00am
10s Blue & White	Mr Jensen & Miss Tootell	Newington Tempe Reserve 3	9.30am

** PLEASE NOTE **

The following teams have had a change of time and location as advised by Newington this week:

1st - 3rd Football - Buchanan # 1

10 A & B Football - now at Tempe Reserve 3 - 11am

10's Blue and White Football - now at Tempe Reserve 3 - 9.30am

Venues:

SHORE

School Field - Edward St., North Sydney.

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

KING'S

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

NEWINGTON

Buchanan # 1 - Newington College Grounds, Stanmore Road Stanmore

Tempe Reserve 3 - Holbeach Avenue — off Princes Highway, Tempe