



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22	Sat 23 / Sun 24
Yr 6 Try Rugby	Yr 5 Try Rugby Yr 5 Incursion - Zoomobile (9.15-10.15)	K,1,2 Assembly Whole School Photo Cross Country	Yr 1 Excursion - Imax Yr 4 Try Rugby JOLT Leaders at Crusaders - FIT at Scots (12.00-2.45) IPSHA Football Trials	K-2 Fundraiser: Pyjama Day NS Cocktail Party	
Monday 25	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29	Sat 30 / Sun 31
Y6 Try Rugby Young Leaders Day - Darling Harbour	Year 5 Try Rugby Foundational New Parent Information Sessions in the MAC (7-8.30pm)	K-2 Easter Assembly Buddies Winter Sport (Trials)	Y4 Try Rugby	Good Friday ELC Closed	Easter Weekend

The Northbridge Campus 10 Year Anniversary

Shore Preparatory School, Northbridge campus, encompassing the Early Learning Centre and K, 1, 2 buildings turns 10 years old this year. The buildings were officially opened as the WA Purves Centre on 4 May 2003 by Reverend RF Bosenquet, a former Head of Shore Preparatory School (1968 – 1976). WA Purves was Headmaster of Shore School from 1910 to 1922 and he is remembered for purchasing the original Northbridge site in 1917 for the School to use as playing fields.

The building of the classrooms began in 2002 at the same time as the 'First Fifteen' began in a small classroom at North Sydney. This was a very special group of fifteen boys who became our first Kindergarten students at the School, under the direction Miss Ros Horsfield (later to become Mrs Ros Gee). While these first Kindy students were being introduced to Shore at North Sydney, there was much activity at the Northbridge site as an old maintenance shed, long jump pit and a couple of houses were demolished to make way for the new buildings. ELC and K, 1, 2 students and staff were finally able to move into the new facility at the start of 2003.

There will be a couple of special events organised later in the year to commemorate this important anniversary. More details will come soon, but please mark these in your diary:

Friday 17 May 2013 there will be a family picnic day on the Northbridge site

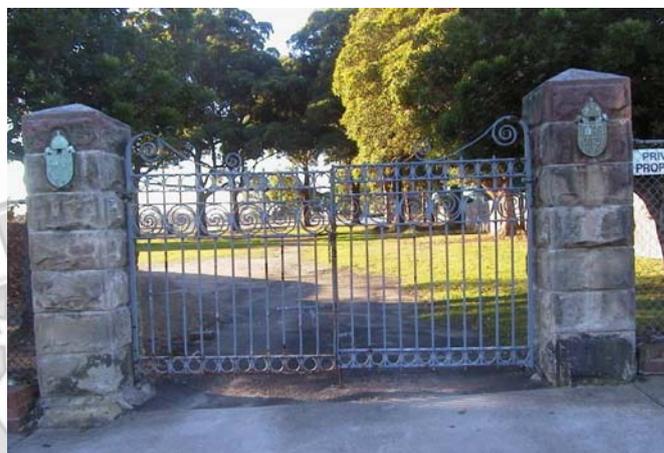
Special Girls Afternoon **Thursday 5 September 2013** – for Shore girls past and present

Reminder - Lunchtime Parent Seminar – Tuesday 19 March – “Raising Children, a Positive Spin”

In its first Lunchtime Parent Seminar for the year, Mary Woods from the Shore counselling team will lead a workshop entitled “Raising Children – A Positive Spin”. **It will be held in the Emery Room at Northbridge at 1pm on Tuesday 19 March.** RSVP to Mrs Gabi Lockyer in the K12 office: k12office@shore.nsw.edu.au

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

“Northbridge - The Way We Were”



North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

The Buddy System

During the course of year, the boys in Years 5 and 6 lead small groups of boys and girls at the Northbridge campus. This enables the K - 2 boys and girls to form friendships and interact with older students on a one-to-one basis. This serves to develop their confidence in handling play activities, classroom work, and social development. For the older boys, the programme provides the opportunity to develop their leadership and personal skills as they interact with their buddies and guide them. Since the boys and girls are grouped according to houses, they have the chance to work together and promote house spirit. Buddy activities occur on Wednesdays at Northbridge before sport about five times a term and started this week. Our hope is that Buddies will be a most positive and enriching experience for all children involved.

Early Arrival at School

It is apparent that a large number of students are arriving before 8am in the morning, some regularly and some significantly earlier. School does not 'open for business' until 8am unless specific groups (eg. Music) have lessons scheduled earlier. Of course, we understand that it is necessary for some students to arrive before 8am to accommodate the complex travel arrangements of families, not to mention Sydney's roads! *However, these occasions should be the exception rather than the rule and students should not be arriving very much before 8am.* Parents should be aware that there is no teacher on duty until 8am, hence the strict requirement that boys remain seated outside their classrooms until duty begins.

Cocktail Party

The North Sydney Cocktail Party will be held next Friday 22 March in the Prep. This is always a fantastic event with food, drinks and great company enjoyed by many parents and staff. All Year 3-6 parents are encouraged to attend and most teachers will be in attendance. The RSVP date is today so please book your ticket at www.trybooking.com/CMKZ now or over the weekend. Catering requirements will limit our ability to accept responses beyond Monday. It is a terrific opportunity for parents new to the school to get to know some other members of our Prep community.

Whole School Photo and Cross Country

Next Wednesday, all students including Year 3 will travel on the bus to Northbridge for a school photo and our annual Cross Country events. All students will need to be collected from Northbridge. Year 3 will conclude at 2.55pm. All other grades will be dismissed at the usual time of 3.10pm. After School Care will operate for Years 3-6 at Northbridge on that day.

Summer Sport

Good luck to all boys in your final round of summer sport tomorrow. Our thanks go to all parents who have transported, encouraged and supported the boys during the first half of our summer sport season. Special thanks to those parents who assisted in scoring, umpiring, coaching and warming up the boys. I also thank Mr Mancey and the staff whose commitment to coaching the boys has helped make this part of our season most enjoyable.

Photos – Summer Sport

It would be greatly appreciated if parents would take some photos of the teams in action tomorrow morning for possible inclusion in our Sports DVD that is collated later in the year. We frequently have many winter sport photos taken in the final weeks before the deadline of this production but only a few of the boys taken earlier in the year at their summer games. Thank you – you can send these to the Office or hold them until we call for all photos later in the year.

Year 3 Father & Son Camp

All the best to our eager little boys and big boys (Dads) who will be adventuring together at the Year 3 Father and Son Camp with Mr Saunders, Mr Bayliss, Mr Knight and Rev Dudley. We are sure you will have a fantastic time doing a wide range of 'boy-stuff'!

Quality Class Award & Manners Points

Congratulations to the three classes who shared the Quality Class Trophy for Week 6 and the others who are progressing each week through their coloured awards. It was also a huge week for manners with 3K leading the charge at the first count, although there have been many fine-mannered young gentlemen doing their bit to catch them over the last few days.

*Mark Dunn
Deputy Head – North Sydney*

ISDA Debating

Round 3 of the ISDA debating was held at Monte Sant Angelo. Following the afternoon training session, our debaters had a very pleasant walk to North Sydney markets to enjoy some fresh and delicious food for dinner. Fortified by this delectation, we headed back to Monte to prepare for the debate against the St Thomas teams.

Both Prep teams were arguing for the negative side and admirably tackled the topic 'That schools should not be able to accelerate students beyond their age group'. Once again, it was evident that all of the boys had built upon their experience from Round 2 and presented thought-provoking arguments. The Primary B team was awarded the win while Primary A, despite a valiant effort, lost the debate.

Congratulations, as always, go to our Year 6 debaters for their dedication and commitment to consistently striving for their best and demonstrating good sportsmanship.

*Di Johnson
Prep Debating Co-ordinator*

Music

The boys attending Monday's assembly were treated to some stellar trumpet playing by Sam Duckworth from 6K. He performed 'Caprice' by the Australian composer Craig Ross. Caprice is not an easy piece to play but Sam managed to negotiate the tricky rhythms with ease. Well done, Sam!

*David Jensen
Prep Music Co-ordinator*

Library News

Final Reminder about Premier's Reading Challenge

Any boys who would like to complete the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge for 2013 need to come and sign in at the Library. After they have signed in, their details will be entered by Mrs Pickworth, which will then generate a user name and password. Boys will be given these details so they can then log their reading at home. It's an exciting way to keep track of reading throughout the year. The PRC administration have informed me that students who have registered last year should use the same usernames and passwords. Please contact Mrs Pickworth on 9956 1187 if there are any problems.

Borrow Box app

The Library is trialling the download of audiobooks onto mp3 players from home. The audiobooks have been purchased to supplement our collection and it will be expected the students will use this resource in conjunction with a printed book. Instructions for using the Borrow Box app and downloading audiobooks are contained as a supplement to Prep Peek and are also located on the Library page in Lampada.

*Margo Pickworth
Teacher Librarian*

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Shore Girls' Club

We love having boys and girls in K,1,2 and to celebrate the girls at Shore, we had our first *Girls' Club* for 2013 yesterday. All the current K,1,2 girls had great fun completing Easter craft. The afternoon went beautifully. The girls were well mannered and a pleasure to have for this special occasion. Thank you to all the teachers for your assistance in making the afternoon such a success. I wonder what will be in store for Term 2?

Northbridge Cocktail Party

Last Friday we had a magnificent night with the parents from ELC and K,1,2 getting together at the Northbridge Cocktail Party. I have received so many positive comments about the night and just how the Northbridge community spirit is thriving. Special thanks must go to the class parents who organised the event. We will all look forward to the Christmas Party in November.

Sleep – Is your child having enough?

A 5-10 year old child needs an average of between 10 and 12 hours sleep each night (kidshealth.com.au). The first term of each school year is particularly taxing on many children. The heat, new routines, learning and growing all use a great deal of energy. Weekends and after school activities should be kept to a minimum especially for our Kindergarten children. Their bodies need to recover for a big week of learning ahead. How much sleep and rest does your child have?

What's this CD-Rom?

Today your child has brought home a CD-Rom from "Moov *Defend your class* Schools Program". This is a Head Lice awareness program which aims to educate and inform students, teachers and parents and promote more open discussion about how Head Lice affect children at home and in the classroom. There are prizes to be won if your child completes the game.

Next Tuesday

I look forward to seeing many parents next Tuesday both at the Shore Foundation Breakfast and at the Lunchtime parent seminar. The Shore Foundation Breakfast is a lovely occasion where we can hear about the Foundation's goals and speak informally with Dr Wright, our Headmaster. The lunchtime parent seminars are always well attended. This term's topic is "Raising Children - A Positive Spin" and the speakers will be from the Shore School counselling team. Both events will be held in the Emery Room, in the grandstand. Please RSVP to the appropriate organisation to confirm your attendance.

Lost Property

There is a collection of spectacles and sunglasses in the Lost Property box in the K,1,2 foyer, along with several items of non-uniform clothing. Please do feel free to check these items.

Assemblies

This week **1M** presented their first Assembly for the year. Mr Saunders told me that you all did a wonderful job. Next week we will have a General Assembly. Well done to the children of **1M** who were awarded the **Quality Class of the Week Award**. Great job, 1M!

Other information to note:

Tuesday, 19 March – Shore Foundation Breakfast (8am) and Lunchtime Parent Seminar (1pm)

Thursday, 21 March – Year 1 Excursion – IMAX

Friday, 22 March – Pyjama Day

Wednesday, 27 March – Easter Assembly. All parents are welcome to stay afterwards for tea, coffee and hot cross buns.

Thursday, 28 March – Ice-cream Day

Natasha Mitchell

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

ELC Phone: 8966 5350 ELC Fax: 8966 5391

ELC News

ELC Mufti Days

This year, we will again be having Mufti Days in support of Mitochondrial Disease. They will be held on **Wednesday 20 March and Thursday 21 March, 2012**. Children are invited to wear 'mufti' clothing to school instead of their usual school uniform. They will be asked to make a donation for not wearing their school uniform. There is no set amount for the donation; this can be decided by each family.

Tom Martin, in Year 4, has Mitochondrial disease. He has previously been a student here at the Early Learning Centre then went on to Northbridge K, 1 and 2. The Mufti Days are held in conjunction with other fundraising events in the Prep School to help raise money for medical research into this condition. Please be mindful when selecting something with your child to wear that they still need to be able to be independent in the bathroom and engage in physical activity with ease.

Donations can be made in the following ways:

Cash – placed in the specially marked tin at the front desk

Cheque – made out to 'Australian Mitochondrial Disease Foundation' and placed in the specially marked tin at the front desk

Credit Card -visit the website www.everydayhero.com.au/thomas_martin

Thank you in advance for your support with this special day. Please do not hesitate to contact Leanne or myself on 8966 5350 for any further information.

Plastic Bottles

Currently in the Green Room a project is unfolding around dragons. Miss Alice has been working hard on creating the foundations of a large dragon using wire. I imagine this amazing dragon will become a fixture in the Green Room for some time. Over the coming weeks, the boys and girls will work together to bring the dragon to life by covering the wire with papier mache and then decorating it with paint and perhaps some collage materials. The children will also have the opportunity to create their own dragons using plastic bottles and collage materials. The Green Room team would greatly appreciate any donations of plastic 600ml or 1 litre soft drink bottles so there will be enough for everyone. As the dragons are created they will be displayed around the Centre for all to enjoy.

ELC Sandpit

In the sandpit two main interests are currently guiding the children's play. The first is water play using tubes, funnels and plumbing pipes and the second is cooking. Cooking is something that has sustained the children's interest for many weeks now with children using real kitchen items such as muffin pans, saucepans, sieves and scoops to create fabulous feasts which almost always include chocolate cake! With the addition of water to the sandpit children have also been able to mix dry sand to become wet just like real ingredients.

If you are doing a clean out of kitchen items from home and find items that would be suitable for the children to work with in the sand pit, we would gratefully accept these at any time.

Sweet Dreams: Lullabies from Around the World

On Wednesday 10 April and Thursday 11 April we will welcome Heather Lee to the Early Learning Centre for the first time. Heather Lee uses her extraordinary voice to take children on a musical journey to faraway lands to experience different musical styles and languages including Aboriginal Australia, India, China, Egypt, Scotland, Austria, Native America and Tibet. Heather Lee performs regularly in the Baby Proms at the Sydney Opera House. She is a graduate of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and has enjoyed a varied professional career including a role in the musical "Cats". I am sure it will be a fabulous experience and hopefully we will be able to add some of her songs to the ELC repertoire. When we have an incursion, an amount of around \$8 to \$10 will be charged to your account. Please come and speak with me if you have any further questions.

Important Dates

Wednesday 20 & Thursday 21 March – Mufti Day's in support of Mitochondrial Disease

Friday 29 March – ELC closed Good Friday

Monday 1 April – ELC closed Easter Monday

Wednesday 10 April & Thursday 11 April – Sweet Dreams by Heather Lee

*Rebecca Schollum
Director - ELC*



UNIFORM SHOP

Open

Mondays, Tuesdays
and Thursdays
9.30 to 4.30pm
(02) 9900 4704

Games

Wet weather information
(recorded message)
9956 1185
Wednesdays from 2:00pm
& early Saturday morning

Cross Country

The School Cross Country Carnival will be held at Northbridge Playing Fields on Wednesday 20 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 2.55pm to ease the traffic. Boys are asked to bring their PE uniform or the 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 Shore Preparatory School Cross Country team. The following is a breakdown of entrants per age for the IPSHA Carnival on the Saturday 6 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 – 3 places Under 9 – 7 places Under 10 – 10 places
Under 11 – 10 places Under 12 – 10 places.

Armidale Rugby Carnival

All boys in Year 6 are invited to trial for the Rugby squad to play at the Armidale Rugby Carnival on the weekend of 12,13 & 14 April.

The trial will take place on Wednesday 20 March at Northbridge Playing Fields. Boys will be asked to stay behind for an hour trial session after the School's Cross Country Carnival. Boys will need to be ready for pick up at 4.00pm from Northbridge. We will be selecting a squad of 20 boys for the tour.

Rugby Referees

Each year our Rugby games would not go ahead without the commitment of the referee. Any parents who have a Rugby Referee's badge and an updated Smart Rugby qualification, WE NEED YOU!

If you are interested and do not have your refereeing qualification please visit the link below. You can enrol for a Level One Course or a pathways course aimed Kid's Refereeing Under 8 – 12 year olds.

http://myrugby.rugby.com.au/myrugby/courses_listState.asp?state=NSW

Please contact me if you can make yourself available on Saturday mornings. School Office: 9956 1183.

Winter Sport

Winter Sport trials for Rugby and Football will take place on Wednesday 27 March, Wednesday 3 April and Wednesday 10 April. All sessions are in school sport time.

Round 1 starts in Term 2 on Saturday 4 May.

Shore Prep Sport Dress Code.

Correct sports uniform and protective gear must be worn. If any of the correct protective gear is not worn, a boy will not be able to participate in the trials.

Football players – Football boots, shin pads (**compulsory**), school jersey and mouthguard (optional).

Rugby players – Rugby boots, head gear (**compulsory**) & mouthguard (**compulsory**), school jersey.

All players – please bring school jersey and coloured jersey for trials (with your name clearly printed on them).

RUGBY BOOTS - Safety Standards (IPSHA Guidelines)

i. Many schools have a strong preference for **good quality** rubber studs.

These must conform to the 'British Standard BS 6366 1983'.

Plastic and Nylon studs are **not** acceptable. Aluminium studs conform but require careful and regular monitoring by coaches and parents if they are used.

ii. Studs should be constructed from Rubber or Aluminium.

NO PART of any stud can be made of nylon or plastic.

*Scott Mancey
Sports Master*

Shore Snowsports Information Night:

Tuesday 7 May 2013 @ 6:30pm in Playfair Hall

Racing/Competition:

Redlands Cup @ **Thredbo**: 9 July

Sydney Regional Interschools Championships @ **Thredbo**:

10-13 July

NSW State Championships @ **Perisher**: 22-25 August

The full list of Interschools dates is attached for your reference.

The most up to date information can always be found on the Interschools website: www.interschools.org.au.

*Natasha Terry-Armstrong
(MIC Snowsports)*

Results 9 March

1 st Cricket	Sydney Grammar	78-52
Yr 6 Blues	Redlands	84-51
Snr Whites	Sydney Grammar	38-70
5A Cricket	Tudor House	174-70
5B Cricket	Tudor House	128-38
Yr 5 Blues	St Patrick's	57-37
4A Cricket	Cranbrook	95-136
4B Cricket	Cranbrook	93-70
Yr 4 Blues	Cranbrook	21-56
Snr A Basketball	Sydney Grammar	44-12
Snr B Basketball	Sydney Grammar	21-20
Snr C Basketball	Sydney Grammar	23-16
Snr D Basketball	Sydney Grammar	15-41
Snr E Basketball	Sydney Grammar	14-33
Snr F Basketball	Sydney Grammar	13-15
Snr G Basketball	Sydney Grammar	26-14
Snr H Basketball	Sydney Grammar	4-20
LA Lakers (Shore Internal)	LA Clippers (Shore Internal)	4-12
Tennis A	Kings	17-17
Tennis B	Kings	15-19



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Venues

SHORE

School Field - Edward St., North Sydney.

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

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

River Rd Tennis Courts – River Rd, Lane Cove.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR EDGECLIFF

Queen's Park - Darley Rd, Waverley.

KNOX GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Gillespie Fields - Young St, Wahroonga.

ST. IGNATIUS, RIVERVIEW (SIC):

Tennis Courts – Hallam Ave, Lane Cove.

TRINITY

Preparatory School Basketball Gym & Outside Cts - 115 The Boulevard, Strathfield.

	COACH	Rd 6 - 16/3	Time
1st Cricket	A Bayliss	Mosman Prep Northbridge G	8.00am
Yr 6 Super 8 Blues	S Grainger	Sydney Grammar Queen's Park # 25	8.00am
Snr Super 8 Whites	H Bunting	Internal Northbridge E	8.00am
Yr 5 As Cricket	S Rae	Internal Northbridge E	8.00am
Yr 5 Bs Cricket	S Martin	Internal Northbridge E	8.00am
Yr 5 Super 8 Blues	K Polis	Knox Northbridge E	10.00am
Yr 4 As Cricket	A Phillips	Scots Northbridge F	8.00am
Yr 4 Bs Cricket	M Dunn	Scots School Field - Nth Syd	8.00am
Yr 4 Super 8 Blues	E Kleinig	Knox Blue Gillespie # 2	8.00am
Tennis	L Reynolds / P Harrington	St. Ignatius Hallam Avenue	8.00am
Basketball Snr A	P Knight	Trinity Strathfield Trinity Gym	10.15am
Basketball Snr B	M Crerar	Trinity Strathfield Trinity Gym	9.30am
Basketball Snr C	K Tootell	Trinity Strathfield Trinity Gym	8.45am
Basketball Snr D	N Mitchell	Trinity Strathfield Trinity Gym	8.00am
Basketball Snr E	S Curnow	Trinity Strathfield NSBH	11.00am
Basketball Snr F	C Gagliano	Trinity Strathfield NSBH	10.15am
Basketball Snr G	L Tooker	Internal NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Snr H	A Geersen / V Covey	Internal NSBH	9.30am
Basketball Jnr A & B	J Anderson	Newington Lindfield NSBH	B - 8.00am A - 8.45am

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Shore Association

Events coming up

Shore Prep Nth Sydney Cocktail
Party

Friday 22nd March

[Trybooking Link here](#)

Parent Lunchtime Seminar

"Raising Children – A Positive
Spin"

Tuesday March 19th 1pm -2pm

Emery Room Northbridge

Appropriate for all years

[Trybooking Link here](#)

Sometimes as parents, it feels like all our time is spent putting out spot fires. All we do is rush from one thing to the next, juggling pick-ups, drop-offs, nagging about homework, making meals, finding lost uniforms and breaking up kids' fights. And yet we know that parenting should be more than that. How can parents seize the advantage to build optimism, strength and resilience in their children in a way that genuinely prepares them to take their place in the world as responsible and independent adults? Using the work of Martin Seligman, Carol Dweck and their colleagues, the school counselling team offers some tips to battle weary parents.

American Tea Notices

Save the Date

6th September 2013

**Needed - Convenors and
Volunteers**

If you would like to help out on
the day at one of the many stalls
please contact

our American Tea Co-ordinators

Lizzie Windsor m 0448 057 193

familywindsor@bigpond.com

Emma Scambler m 0418 132 448

scambler@bigpond.net.au

Shore Prayer Group

Friday 22 March, 2013

9.30-10.30am

Venue: Northbridge Prep School

Parents and friends of Shore are welcome to come and
pray for the school.

For more information please call:

Catherine Scott 9411 4779

Bronwyn Boyer 9972 2083