



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 6	Tuesday 7	Wednesday 8	Thursday 9	Friday 10	Sat 11 / Sun 12
K-2 Reading Groups Commence NS MultiLit Open Week	Snow Sports Info Evening (6pm)	K-2 Assembly - 2P		Mothers' Day Stalls at NS and NB	Winter Sport Round 2 Sunday — Mothers Day
Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17	Sat 18 / Sun 19
Y3-6 Assembly in MAC	NAPLAN (Y3 & y5)	NAPLAN (Y3 & Y5) K-2 Assembly - 2T Buddies	NAPLAN (Y3 & Y5) Y6 Immigration Forum (8.30am)	Northbridge 10th Anniversary Celebrations	Winter Sport Round 3

Welcome to Term 2

Welcome back to all families and students in Kindergarten to Year 6 who have returned to school this week. After what seemed to be a marathon Term 1, I hope that many of you were able to have a good rest. In comparison to Term 1, Term 2 is going to feel like a 100m sprint, with only eight school weeks before the mid-year break. **Please note that Term 2 will conclude on Friday 21 June for K – 6 students**, not the usual Thursday finish. The ELC will, of course, continue operation over the next holiday break, but will be closed on Monday 15 July for the Shore Staff Professional Development Day.

ANZAC Day and the Polished Pennies Services

This week, the School commemorated ANZAC Day with its traditional Polished Pennies Services at Northbridge and North Sydney. These services are a great opportunity for children to share the ANZAC Day experience together with members of their family, including grandparents.

Thank you to Mr Anthony Philips and the K, 1, 2 children for their preparation and organisation of the Northbridge service. Thank you to the boys at North Sydney who enjoyed an address given by Mr Richard Hughes. Thank you also to Mr David Jensen and the Choir for their efforts in preparing and performing so wonderfully, and to Sam Duckworth who played the trumpet magnificently.

Often on occasions like ANZAC Day and Polished Pennies, we take part in traditions we perhaps do not fully comprehend. At the Northbridge Service on Wednesday, I discussed with the students the origins of some of the ANZAC and Polished Pennies traditions.

The Ode

The Ode is in fact part of a poem that was written about the soldiers who died in World War One, almost 100 years ago. The whole poem is called *For the Fallen* and was written by an Englishman named Laurence Binyon. The Ode is the fourth stanza of his poem and it reminds us that those who have died do not grow old, as they have moved on to eternal life. It also encourages us to remember those who died in war as they sacrificed themselves for others.

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.*

The Last Post

In the military, the Last Post is the bugle call that signifies the end of the day's activities and tells the soldiers that it is time for rest. It is also sounded at military funerals to indicate the soldier who has died has gone to his final rest. The Last Post is included in memorial services for ANZAC Day as a final farewell, and it reminds us the duty of the soldiers who have died is over and

A Period of Silence

Silence for one or two minutes is included in the ANZAC Day ceremony as a sign of respect and a time for reflection.

Reveille or Rouse

After the one minute's silence, flags are raised from half-mast to the top, as the bugle is sounded again. Traditionally, the Reveille was a bright, cheerful call to wake-up soldiers from their slumber, ready for duty at the start of the day; it is also used at the end of funeral and remembrance services. It symbolises an awakening in a better world for the soldiers who have died, and also calls us back to duty, when we have paid our respect to the memory of these soldiers.

The Polished Pennies

The tradition of polishing coins for the Shore service goes back almost 80 years. Mr Lee Pulling was a teacher at the School during the 1930s whose son was killed at Gallipoli. He encouraged the boys at the School to bring in a 'penny' they had polished in order to pay for the polishing of the memorial plaques that appear in the Chapel. These plaques remember Shore boys who have been killed in war. This tradition was later incorporated into a special Chapel Service held about the time of ANZAC Day.

We now bring in polished gold coins instead of pennies and, in fact, the School no longer polishes the plaques because it causes them too much damage, so instead the money collected goes towards our normal Chapel charities. However, the tradition of polishing coins and presenting them at the service serves as a reminder to us all of the sacrifice of Australians during times of war.

The RGH Walmsley Scholarship

Congratulations to Harry Whitehead (6K) who has been awarded the RGH Walmsley (Closed Preparatory School) Scholarship. Harry 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, Harry!

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

Welcome back to all boys and families for what promises to be an extraordinarily short and busy term.

Polished Pennies

The Polished Pennies Service near Anzac Day is a wonderful tradition in our school. Congratulations boys on the mature way that you participated in the commemoration of former Shore students who served our country in the military. Well done on the beautifully polished pennies too. Thank you to the grandparents who helped to make this a special occasion by joining us for the service and morning tea this morning.

Winter Uniforms

Thank you to all the parents who ensured that their sons were appropriately dressed for the first day back. Understandably, a few coats needed cleaning or adjustment. By now, these should be done and each boy should be able to come to school each day wearing his correct uniform with pride. The boys have been reminded that:

- All boys must wear their school coats when traveling to and from school.
- Boys are not permitted to wear a jumper without a coat when traveling to and from school. If a boy is wearing a school jumper this must be worn under the coat. While at school boys are permitted to wear their jumpers without their coats. Year 6 fleeces may be worn at school and for Saturday sport. They must not be worn to or from school on a weekday.

Charities

Thank you to all who have given generously to Australian Mitochondrial Disease Foundation. A total of \$3476.50 was raised at this campus to add to the amount raised at Northbridge and donations made on-line. Our charity in Term 2 is the Oro School in Papua New Guinea and we will direct Chapel offerings towards and hold a Move-a-thon for this cause. Regular giving to others is a wonderful attitude and activity to nurture and I encourage all our boys to become regular contributors to the weekly Chapel offering that is taken each Thursday and used to support charity work.

Sport

It is an exciting weekend of sport with the first round of inter-school rugby and football games. This week will be viewed as a trial round with the possibility of boys changing teams for next week. Boys, ensure that you know your team, location and time as well as the team wet weather number for each week of the season. Pack your own sports bag the night before and check that all items such as boots, shin-pads, head-gear and mouth-guards are in it. This is your job...not Mum and Dad's! Be on time so that you can warm-up properly and support the team beforehand. Most of all remember to play hard, play fair and play with passion so that whether you win or lose, you, your teammates, your opposition and the referee all enjoy a fantastic game. Good luck, mighty Shore boys!

After School Clubs – Term 2

After School Clubs commence next week and boys have been reminded at Parade which club/s they are enrolled in.

Community Calendar

Please note the important dates for the term which are listed on the Community Calendar which was distributed via e-mail earlier this week.

Mothers' Day Stall

Attention boys...and fathers! Next Friday, a Mothers' Day Stall will be held at school. Boys will have the opportunity to shop in class groups and wrapped gifts will be available for purchase from \$5-\$20.

Library News

Year 6 Immigration Forum 16 May, 8.30 - 9.30am, Preparatory School Library

In keeping with Year 6's HSIE topic 'Immigration' we are planning to hold an Immigration Forum in the School Library on 16 May at 8.30am. We invite adults from our school community who have immigrated from another country and now live in Australia to participate in our forum. Participants will need to tell a little about the experience of immigration and answer some questions from the students.

A letter will be going home with Year 6 students this week giving further information. If you are able to assist please return the form or phone me on 99561187. We hope to have a wide variety of countries and experiences represented and look forward to contributions.

*Margo Pickworth
Teacher Librarian*

Art Exhibition - American Tea 2013

Something new and exciting for this year's American Tea – an Art Exhibition by the Parents, Teachers, Boys and extended families at Shore!

We are looking for both professional and amateur artists within the Shore Community to contribute by producing a piece of work to be sold at the American Tea.

There is a theme -IMPRESSIONS OF SHORE and the size of the canvas will be 9 x 5 inches, which mirrors the 9 x 5 Impressionist Exhibition held in Melbourne in 1889. Many of the artists used cigar box lids, which were this size and produced lovely impressionist works painted on a miniature scale.

IMPRESSIONS OF SHORE can be painted in any style whether traditional or abstract and the work can be in any medium i.e. paint, collage, photograph – any choice whatsoever- just be totally creative and individual!

We will provide the canvasses that will be available late May and we need to have them back for collection sometime in August, so there is plenty of time for you to have the opportunity to create something wonderful!

At the American Tea, we will display every piece of work and sell them all for the same fixed sum, so there will not be any variance of price whether you are a Professional or Amateur artist. This will be a fun, non-competitive fund-raising exercise that the parents can participate in and hopefully will raise a substantial sum for the School.

More details in regard to collection of canvasses and exact dates will follow soon.

*Mark Dunn
Deputy Head – North Sydney*

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Welcome Back

I hope that everyone had a relaxing holiday. It is wonderful to see the students looking smart in their winter uniforms. We also welcome Lily Simons (1H) and her family to Shore. I'm sure the girls and boys in 1H will make her feel very welcome. Please remember that normally all students need to wear their jackets to and from school, however due to the unseasonably hot weather, this rule will not be enforced for the time being. Please ensure all your child's belongings are labelled as it is very difficult to return lost items without names.

Term Overviews

Your child brought home an overview of their year level programme for Term II today. The class and specialist teachers prepare this summary to give parents a basic guide as to what the girls and boys will be focussing on and exploring during the course of the term. If any area or description needs further clarification, parents should direct their enquiry to the teacher responsible for that learning area.

Northbridge Mothers' Day Stall

The Shore Association will hold our Mothers' Day Stall at Northbridge on Friday, 10 May. The children love being very grown up by choosing a gift for their mums. This year the gifts will cost \$15. To assist the children and the mothers helping on the stall, please put your child's money in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class, and 'Mothers' Day Stall'. *The envelope should be sent in with your child on the day.*

Assemblies

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who joined with the K,1,2 girls and boys for our traditional Polished Pennies Chapel and supported the customary collection of polished coins. The children who led and read during the assembly are to be congratulated on the manner in which they performed these tasks. Next week's assembly on Wednesday, 8 May, will be a **Year 2P's** Class Assembly. Dates for other class assemblies can be found on the Community Calendar emailed to you at the beginning of the week.

Playground Roster

Last term, the boys and girls of Baker did a great job of keeping the playground looking neat and tidy. This term, Davies children have the responsibility of making sure any forgotten rubbish or sport equipment is put away at the end of recess and lunch.

Other Information:

Friday, 10 May – Mothers' Day Stall.

Friday, 17 May – Northbridge 10th Anniversary Birthday Party

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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ELC News

School Holidays

Over the last two weeks, we have enjoyed a change of pace during the school holiday period. Many children and families took the opportunity to have some time off and have all returned to the ELC rested and ready to go for what is sure to be a very busy Term 2.

In the first week of the holidays, following the recent interest and play surrounding important people in the community, we invited the Willoughby Fire Brigade to the ELC to speak with the boys and girls. The firemen spoke with the children about all the different types of fires they might encounter, where some are safe and others are dangerous. A safe fire might be a candle on a birthday cake supervised by adults and a dangerous fire could be an uncontrolled bushfire. We learnt that all children should know their address and the important emergency services number - **000**. One of the firemen, Jeremy, came dressed in his full fire fighting gear, so the children could see his mask and oxygen tank. He reminded the children that if they are in a fire that is dangerous and someone comes towards them wearing clothes like that, they shouldn't be scared, they should shout out so the fireman will know where to find them.

In the second week of the holidays, we were lucky enough to have a visit from a police officer who spoke with the children about all of the different ways police officers can help them and importantly stranger danger. During both visits the stars of the show were certainly the fire truck and police car!

Welcome Back Miss Helen

It is with great pleasure that I welcome Miss Helen back to the Early Learning Centre following her maternity leave. Miss Helen will be working as part of the Blue Room team on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. I am sure you will join me in making her feel very welcome as she settles back in. Miss Corrine will continue as part of the Blue Room team on Thursday and Friday.

New Sign-in Area

A children's sign in area has been introduced in the foyer for ELC children to practise writing their name. I encourage you to visit this area with your child as you arrive each day. Please remember that this is for ELC children only and siblings are asked not to visit this area.

Social Skills

This term, teachers will be focussing on teaching social skills with the boys and girls. This will occur during large group times and other smaller group opportunities throughout the week. The types of skills that will be looked at are: turn taking, sharing, asking for help, identifying feelings, overcoming fear, managing frustration, calming down, speaking up and respecting and caring for others. Children have already begun discussions around the important skill of greeting others. When we say "hello" to others we should look, smile and say "hello".

Buddies

This term, we are very excited to be joining in with the Preparatory School buddies program. The buddies program provides an opportunity for the older boys to be responsible for their younger peers and to demonstrate leadership skills, as well as to foster a sense of community within the

Prep School, as the different Year groups work together. During Terms 2 and 3 this year, the older ELC children who attend on Wednesday's will have the opportunity to meet with 4C and 4G and enjoy various shared experiences together. Buddies will take place in weeks 3,4,5,7 and 8 between 1:15pm and 1:45pm.

*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

Sports Gear

A reminder to all parents and boys. It is very important to label all clothing, head gear, boots, shin pads and drink bottles for sport. Each week a lot of items are left in the grandstand or behind at the end of a game and unfortunately no names are printed clearly on these items so we cannot return them to the owner. The correct uniform is required each week and if your son keeps misplacing his uniform, it can become very expensive. **Please write your son's name on everything.**

Good luck to all boys tomorrow involved with Saturday games. All boys are expected to be at their game **half an hour** before kick-off to do a warm up with their coach.

"PLAY HARD, PLAY FAIR & PLAY WITH PASSION"

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents of the Codes of Behaviour set by IPSHA. I feel it is important we read these and remember the real reason the boys are participating in games on a Saturday morning.

Spectators Code of Behaviour

- Remember that young people participate in sport for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- Respect the decisions of officials and teach young people to do the same.
- Never ridicule or scold a young player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- Encourage players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
- Do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Armidale Rugby Carnival.

Shore competed at The Armidale School Rugby Championships during the school holidays. It was a fantastic weekend of rugby, attended by over 900 boys from Queensland and New South Wales.

Well done to the Shore boys who, with the benefit of little preparation, improved with every game to finish the competition 7th in our division, with 2 wins and 3 losses. The boys should be praised for their exemplary behaviour and outstanding sportsmanship. The team played an exciting style of rugby and played the game in the right spirit. Thanks to all the parents who travelled to Armidale to support the mighty mighty Shore boys and thank you to Mr Peter Knight and Mr Simon Rae for their time, enthusiasm and effort on the weekend.

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster

Shore Snowsports Information Night:

Tuesday 7 May 2013 @ 6.30pm in Playfair Hall

Racing/Competition:

Redlands Cup @ Thredbo: 9July

Sydney Regional Interschools Championships @ Thedbo:
10-13 July

NSW State Championships @ Perisher: 22-25 August

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

Natasha Terry-Armstrong
(MIC Snowsports)

Please note the following changes:

1st XV, 2nd XV and 3rd XV Rugby now on Northbridge C.

1st XI, 2nd XII and 3rd XI Football now on Northbridge F.

	COACH	Rd 1 - 4/5	Time
1st XV Rugby	S Mancey	St Augustine's Northbridge C	9.30am
2nd XV Rugby	P Knight	St Augustine's Northbridge C	8.45am
3rd XV Rugby	S Martin	St Augustine's Northbridge C	8.00am
11 A Rugby	A Bayliss	St Pius Oxford Falls	9.30am
11 B Rugby	P Harrington	St Pius Oxford Falls	8.45am
11 C Rugby	R Herron M Kerr	St Pius Oxford Falls	8.00am
11 D Rugby	D Jensen	Scots Christison Park	8.00am
10 A Rugby	S Grainger	St Aloysius Willoughby # 2	9.00am
1st XI Football	M Dunn	Trinity Strathfield Northbridge F	9.30am
2nd XI Football	A Phillips	Trinity Strathfield Northbridge F	8.45am
3rd XI Football	K Polis	Trinity Strathfield Northbridge F	8.00am
10 A Football	S Rae A Tong	Cranbrook Dangar Oval	9.45am
10 B Football	M Case M Pickworth	Cranbrook Dangar Oval	9.00am

Shore Association

Year 4 Shore Parents Casual Drinks

Thursday 9th of May 5-8pm

Location: Warburton Home - 20 Bay St Mosman

Please feel free to pop in at any time for a casual drink we appreciate everyone is busy so totally understand if you are not able to make it.

No cost just bring whatever you would like to drink

RSVP to Nikki via email nwarburton@bigpond.com

SAVE THE DATE 16th NOVEMBER YEAR 4 END OF YEAR COCKTAIL PARTY

Years 3 to 12 MOTHER'S DAY STALL



Friday May 10th 8am through to midday

In the Undercroft in the Senior School

Lots of fabulous items

Please be on the lookout for an email from your year rep with more details of the items for sale