



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 15 July	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19	Sat 20 July/21 July
Staff Development Day	1st Day of Term 3 Yr 5 Athletics Trials 11am - 3pm @ NB	K-2 General Assembly Yr 3 Athletics Trials 11am - 3pm @ NB	Yr 4 Athletics Trials 11am - 3pm @ NB	Yr 6 Athletics Trials 11am - 3pm @ NB	Winter Sport Round 7

Bugsy Malone

On Tuesday of this week, the boys of Year 6 put on two spectacular performances of the singing and dancing gangster classic, *Bugsy Malone*. I was once again amazed at the quality of the production. It highlighted some of the wonderful things that happen at the Preparatory School. Firstly, it was great to see the standard of dancing and acting on display. The children at the School benefit so much from our Dance and Drama programme, from Kindergarten through to Year 6, and it was wonderful to see the fruits of this on show in the musical. Secondly, it was amazing how smoothly the performance ran, with all the scene transitions, costume changes and back stage logistics running like clockwork. This was a testament to the organisational abilities of the boys who were able to keep focused and think clearly throughout the performance. These skills of independence and interdependence have been developed over many years of varied and challenging activities in the Preparatory School.

Mr Graeme Spencer and Mr David Jensen, the show's directors, should be congratulated for their creativity and commitment to the boys. The Year 6 teachers also worked tirelessly behind the scenes, through rehearsals and during the performances, to ensure the boys were ready to deliver a spectacular show. And there were many other members of staff who contributed in different ways to the show's success, working on ticketing, programmes, lighting, costumes, back-stage, etc.

Well done and congratulations to all involved in *Bugsy Malone*!

Canberra and Bathurst Trips

This week, Years 5 and 6 have been out and about, visiting Canberra (Year 6) and Bathurst (Year 5). These overnight excursions are an important part of our curriculum in both years, linking to the study of the Gold Rush in Year 5 and in Year 6 to the unit on democracy and government.

Apart from a very early start (sorry parents) and some cold weather, the excursions went very well and helped the boys learn more about the units they have been studying. Often it is those lessons learnt outside of the classroom that are the most meaningful, as students understand concepts from a different perspective.

CIS Cross Country

Congratulations to all the boys who competed for IPSHA and the School at the CIS Cross Country last week. There were a number of boys who placed well in their events, including our Under 11 competitors who won the team event for the second year in a row. Special congratulations to Ben Hondros and James Wilson who have been selected to compete at the state finals next term. Well done boys!

Holidays

I trust that all Preparatory School families who are taking a holiday in the weeks ahead have a happy and restful break. **A reminder for families of children in K – 6 that Term 3 commences on Tuesday 16 July 2013.** Also be aware that Term 3 finishes on a Thursday – Thursday 19 September 2013. I know that the Friday finish in Terms 1 and 2 caught a number of parents by surprise. It is timely then to remind parents to check the term dates very carefully before organising family holidays and plane trips. These dates are publicised well in advance (at least one year in advance) and can be found on the school website www.shore.nsw.edu.au. The 2014 term dates are already advertised on the site. Of course, the Early Learning Centre continues to operate throughout the school holiday period, being closed only on Monday 15 July for the staff development day.

Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

Bugsy Malone

Enormous congratulations to Year 6 for two exceptional performances of 'Bugsy Malone'. The entire cast was outstanding! Your performance was a credit to you and reflected the wonderful attitude you have displayed and the hard work you have put into rehearsals over the last 2 terms. Thank you to all who helped, especially Mr Spencer, Mr Jensen and the Year 6 teachers.

Semester Reports

Semester reports have been issued to each student today. If there are any points of clarification, feel free to address these to the relevant teacher at the commencement of Semester 2. I encourage each student to spend time with their parent/s reflecting upon the messages that teachers have included in their report. Enjoy the well-earned praise for jobs well done and use the suggestions for areas of improvement as a basis to set some goals for the second half of the year.

Snow Sports

Good luck to the many competitors from the Prep competing at the Schools Snow Sports Championships during the holidays. We look forward to hearing from our Snow Sports Captains, Cooper Mills and Jamie Gillard, about the week at an Assembly next term.

Commencement of Term 3

Term 3 begins for students on **Tuesday 16 July**.

Office Closure

The Prep Office at North Sydney will be closed from Monday 1 July until Monday 15 July.

Athletic Trials

Boys are reminded to bring PE gear on the appropriate day during Week 1 to compete in Athletic Trials. Boys will be dismissed in the afternoon from Northbridge:

Tuesday – Year 5

Wednesday – Year 3

Thursday – Year 4

Friday – Year 6

After School Clubs – Term 3

Many application forms for Term 3 Clubs have been returned – these will be accepted until Friday at the end of Week 1. Please note that clubs do not run in the first week of term.

Quality Class Award & House Points

5H and 6G could not be split and share the title of 'Term 2 Quality Class'. Congratulations to both classes for a consistent effort throughout the term. Your Sausage Sizzle reward will be early next term.

Hall led from start to finish to win the House Points competition for the second term in a row.

I wish all our Shore Prep students and families a safe and refreshing holiday break. Make the most of the opportunity to rest, relax, relate, refresh and read.

*Mark Dunn
Deputy Head – North Sydney*

Library News

Reading Groups Term 3

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to assist with Reading Groups for Term 3. All books and materials will be available following the Information Session on Tuesday 16 July at 3pm in the Preparatory School Library, ready to be in Week 2. If you are unable to attend the Information Session, books will be sent home with your son. We are looking forward to this exciting part of our learning program next term.

*Margo Pickworth
Teacher Librarian*

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Where has half the year gone?

It is difficult to believe that half the year has already finished. Congratulations to all the children on a great first semester together. I look forward to the second half of the year which will have many special events including the Art Show, Athletics Carnival, the Northbridge American Tea, the Mini Proms and continued opportunities for each child to build their skills and develop as independent learners. I hope that all families enjoy a well-deserved and safe holiday.

Reports

Your child will receive his or her report today. The staff have put a great deal of effort into preparing these reports. Whilst all children benefit from reflecting on their work and achievements and for setting goals for future progress and improvement, this is best done by focusing on the positives in their reports. If your child is absent today his or her report will be mailed during the first week of the holidays.

Girls' Club

On Tuesday afternoon, Girls' Club was a hive of activity. Our theme was "An old fashioned party" where we played old fashioned party games. Apple bobbing, pass the parcel, pin the tail on the donkey, reach for the doughnut and Mintie wrapper tearing were just some of the games. Thank you to all the staff who organised the afternoon, with special thanks to Mrs Anderson for co-ordinating the event. The photographs show how much fun we all had.

After School Activities

All after school activities and after school care forms for next term should have already been handed in to Mrs Lockyer. Please take note that all After School Activities, except for Orchestra, will recommence in Week 2 of Term 3. Orchestra, along with all instrumental lessons, will begin in Week 1.

Assembly

Thank you to **Year 1H** for leading our assembly this week. We loved your song and very groovy dancing. You have certainly learnt a great deal about helpers in our community. Congratulations to **Year KBlue** for receiving this week's **Quality Class of the Week Award**. What a great way to finish the term.

Other Important information:

Tuesday, 16 July – First day of Term 3

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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ELC News

Mini-move-a-thon Number Two

On Thursday 13 June the sun was shining and we were able to take the children to the oval to do five different sports for the ELC Sport-a-thon take two. The teachers explained to the children the reason why we were doing the move-a-thon was to raise money for the children in Papua New Guinea because they are not as fortunate as us. The teachers also explained the importance of staying healthy, strong and active and the sport-a-thon was about 'having a go' at different activities. Each child had their own participation card that was stamped once they had finished each sport. Children were split into groups and participated in the range of sports organised by the teachers including parachute games, throwing games with Frisbees, bean bags and rings, as well as a giant obstacle course of climbing, jumping, crawling and balancing. There was also a game of touch football happening. At the end of those four sports, everyone joined together for a huge running race! All of the children loved the day and needless to say were exhausted afterwards. Thank you to everyone who has raised money and donated so generously to this very worthwhile fundraiser.

Save the Date

In Term 3, Week 4, on Wednesday 7 August and Thursday 8 August the Early Learning Centre will hold our annual Grandparents or 'Special Guest' Morning Teas. These events are always so enjoyable, as children excitedly welcome their grandparents or special guest to the Centre to share a few of their favourite songs and of course some yummy scones with jam and cream. On the day, guests are welcome to arrive from 10:00am and gather in the garden area. Children will sing a few of their favourite songs at 10:15am then have the opportunity to show their guests around the ELC and play together. There will be further information about these events closer to the time, however you may like to ask grandparents or special guests to save the date in their diaries.

UV Index

The UV index is now reaching a maximum of 2 each day so we no longer need to wear sun hats and sun screen when we are outdoors. Children may still choose to wear a hat when outdoors if they would like to or alternatively they may like to wear a Shore school uniform beanie available for purchase from the uniform shop.

Clothing

Over the last weeks we have had several items of clothing go missing or go home with the wrong person. Could you please assist us by ensuring all clothing that comes to the Early Learning Centre is clearly labelled with your child's name? Please show your children where you have labelled their clothing so that they are able to determine which jumper, jacket or beanie belongs to them.

Nuts

There has been an increase in food items coming to the ELC that contain nuts or may contain traces of nuts. Please check all food closely before packing lunch boxes to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all members of the ELC community with regard to allergies. If the items you are providing come from a larger packet, such as small biscuits like tiny teddies that contain traces of nuts, please read the packaging closely as we are unable to determine what is in the product once it is out of the packet. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Important Dates for Term 3

Monday 15 July – ELC closed for professional development
Tuesday 30 July – Opening night for Preparatory School Art show ELC – Year 6
Wednesday 7 August – 3/5 day Grandparents Morning Tea
Thursday 8 August – 2/5 day Grandparents Morning Tea
Wednesday 14 August – School Readiness Evening
Wednesday 14 August – Sam Derchie presents Ananse Stories
Thursday 15 August – Sam Derchie presents Ananse Stories
Friday 6 September – American Tea
Week 10 – Healthy Harold Life Education at Northbridge

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

NSW CIS Cross Country

The Shore boys did extremely well last week at the NSW CIS Cross Country held at Eastern Creek Raceway.

Under 10s - 2nd place in the team event.

Ben Hondros 5th, Adrian Thompson 25th, Jonathan Woodcock 45th & Oliver Duthie 66th.

Under 11s - 1st place in the team event.

James Wilson 6th, Hamish Longworth 10th, Matthew Madgwick 29th and Garcia Bertini 46th.

Congratulations to Ben Hondros and James Wilson who have been selected to represent NSW CIS at the NSW PSSA Cross Country in July. Unfortunately, the School teams don't progress through to PSSA.

Well done to the Shore boys!

Mini-Mos Marathon - Primary School Challenge.

Congratulations to all the girls and boys who represented Shore in the Primary School Challenge at the Mini-Mos Marathon last Saturday.

Top Results

Under 8 - Shore team placed 5th

Under 8/9 - Shore team placed 8th

Under 10/11 - Shore team placed 1st

Thomas Kirkland 2nd, Hamish Longworth 4th, Charlie East 5th

Under 12 - Shore team placed 5th

Shore Preparatory School Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 2 August, the Shore Prep Athletics Carnival will be held at SCEGS Northbridge Playing Fields.

Dress Code

All boys must wear their P.E Uniform and a **plain** RED, GREEN, YELLOW or BLUE shirt with NO logos. The coloured House Polo is encouraged and can be purchased from the clothing pool.

Athletics Trials

The Athletics season begins next term with The Shore Prep Athletics Carnival.

In Week 1 of Term 3, the boys will be trialling for the finals. Please take note of the following dates and times. Each year group will travel by bus to Northbridge and all boys will need to make arrangements to be picked up from Northbridge at 3.00pm.

Yr 5 Tuesday 16 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 3 Wednesday 17 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 4 Thursday 18 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Yr 6 Friday 19 July. Bus at 11.00, dismissed from Northbridge 3.00pm

Parent Help

Due to the amount of events we are attempting to run, any parent help with starting races or time keeping would be greatly appreciated.

We arrive at Northbridge ready to start at 11.30am and finish the day at 3.00pm.

If you can make it, we would love to see you there.

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster

Results from 15/6:

1st XV Rugby	Cranbrook	0-30
2nd XV Rugby	Cranbrook	17-7
3rd XV Rugby	Cranbrook	25-24
11 A Rugby	Barker	0-35
11 B Rugby	Barker	26-21
11 C Rugby	Barker	43-0
11 D Rugby	Barker	70-0
10 A Rugby	Newington Wyvern	48-10
1st XI Football	Newington Wyvern	0-3
2nd XI Football	Newington Wyvern	0-5
3rd XI Football	Newington Wyvern	1-3
10A Blue Football	St Patrick's	2-6
10A White Football	St Patrick's	0-1
10B Blue Football	St Patrick's	6-1
10B White Football	St Patrick's	0-2

Please refer to the Shore T3 2013 Fixture List for details on Round 7 matches to be played 20 July, emailed last week with Prep Peek.

Shore Association



FATHERS DAY STALL
AUGUST 30th
Our Gourmet Stall ladies cooking
up a storm



Years 3 to 12 FATHERS DAY HELPERS PLEASE !!

Our Gourmet, Sweets and Garden & Gift Stalls are making preparations for the Shore 2013 Father's Day Stall to be held on Friday 30th August.

If you have a spare hour or 2, we would love to see you at one of the wrapping or cooking days leading up to the big day. Why not come with a friend!

Garden & Gift Father's Wrapping Day

Contact Jo Ampherlaw jamph123@bigpond.com or 0412 418 403

Gourmet

Contact Deborah Hannes mob: 0413444244 dlhannes@pobox.com

Sweets

Contact Jenny Pridham mob: 0414 942 725 jennypridham@bigpond.com