



# PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26	Sat 27 / Sun 28 July
	Y5 Reading Groups Commence	K-2 Assembly - 1H Yr 6 Reading Groups Commence Elective Dance at Ravenswood Buddies (Cheering)	Yr 3 Reading Groups Commence	Yr 4 Reading Groups Commence Y6/5P - Smart Start Financial Literacy Prayer Group at NB Y12 Prep Leavers Dinner	Winter Sport Round 8
Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 1 August	Friday 2	Sat 3 / Sun 4 Aug
	Y1/2 - Smart Start Financial Literacy Art Show Official Opening (6pm) at NB	No K - 2 Assembly ICAS English Competition 1500m Finals Buddies (Marching)		Athletics Carnival	Winter Sport Round 9

## Welcome Back

I would like to welcome back all those families who are returning from holidays. I trust you all had a relaxing break and are ready for a busy Term 3.

## Good Manners

At the end of Term 2, I was so pleased to hear of some positive comments coming from members of the public about the behaviour of Shore Preparatory School students. It is clear that a number of Shore students are remembering to show good manners and consideration for others when out in the community. What a great advertisement for the School!

As I have mentioned in previous Prep Peeks, good manners are all about respecting one another: appreciating the ways in which others care for and serve us, acknowledging another person's unique worth and forgoing our own desires (for example, sitting comfortably on the train, or being first on the bus) 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. Good manners also demonstrate to the world Shore values behaviour that upholds our Christian beliefs to love and care for others.

Let me congratulate all of the students involved in these good behaviours and encourage us all to continue to display good manners in all situations.

## Elective Dance Group at the Sydney Eisteddfod

Congratulations to the Preparatory School Elective Dance Group who, during the recent school holidays, competed in and achieved a Highly Commended Award at the Sydney Eisteddfod. The Eisteddfod was held at the Opera House on Sunday 30 June, so particular congratulations to Mr Graeme Spencer and the parents of the boys who arranged to rehearse and compete during the holidays.

## Term 3 Highlights

There are a number of important events in Term 3, but I thought I would draw your attention to the following:

In Week 3, we have the Preparatory School Art Show at Northbridge in the K, 1, 2 Hall. The show will feature art work from each child from ELC through to Year 6. The official opening will be at 6pm on **Tuesday 30 July** and will also include a musical item from the students. The works will remain on display until the end of that week.

Also in Week 3, on **Friday 2 August**, we have the annual **Athletics Carnival**, involving traditional track and field events for students from Years 3 – 6, plus some fun participation events for the children in K, 1, 2. The carnival is held at Northbridge and parents are most welcome to attend.

In Week 4, the ELC is holding its **Grandparents Morning Teas on Wednesday and Thursday, 7 and 8 August**. This is an exciting event that all the children look forward to, as they have an opportunity to show off their Centre to some significant people in their lives.

In Week 5, on **Tuesday 13 August** at 8:30am, there is our second Northbridge Open Morning where we invite people who are interested in learning more about the Northbridge campus. If you know of anyone who is interested in the Northbridge campus and would like to visit, please let them know of the date and RSVP to the K, 1, 2, Office.

Week 6 is **Book Week** and in 2013 the theme is "Read Across the Universe" – sounds very spacey. There is always lots to do in the library at this time, with visiting authors and new books to share, and more information will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead.

In this, the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Northbridge campus, we are having a very special Girls Afternoon on **Thursday 5 September**. We will be inviting back 'Old Girls' of the School (some who are approaching the end of high school already) and having an afternoon of fun and special activities to celebrate the important 'girl' dimension at Northbridge.

And the very next day, **Friday 6 September** is, of course, **American Tea** day at both North Sydney and Northbridge. As well as the normal events, I would like to draw attention to the Grandparents Morning Tea at North Sydney (Dining Hall) at 10am. All grandparents of students at the School are invited to this event. A reminder also that K, 1, 2 students may be taken to the North Sydney American Tea at the conclusion of the Northbridge activities at around 11:30am.

And finally, we have two special Proms events in Term 3, the **K, 1, 2 Proms on Thursday 29 August** and the **Years 3 and 4 Proms on Wednesday 18 September**. These are always spectacular music and dance performance events and there has already been a lot of work done by the children and their teachers in preparation.

*So fasten your seat belts – Term 3 is underway!*

*Nick Saunders  
Head of Shore Preparatory School*

# North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

Welcome back to all the boys and families for what promises to be an exciting semester. It has been lovely to hear the many tales of holiday adventures.

## **Canberra & Bathurst Excursions**

In the last week of Term 2, the Year 6 boys travelled to Canberra and Year 5 to Bathurst. Congratulation to all our boys for representing their School so well. Staff received many positive compliments about their behaviour and manner of the boys. We are all very proud of you!

## **Charities - Term 3**

The boys will again have the opportunity to participate in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine which has been supported enormously by the students and families of the Shore community in recent years. In order to participate in the 40 Hour Famine, your son will be issued with a receipt book which will enable him to issue sponsors with receipts and facilitate on-line sponsorship. Details about this will follow in the coming weeks. We look forward to supporting such a worthy cause.

## **Sports Dinner**

Our annual Sports Dinner will be held on the evening of Friday 23 August in the School's Dining Hall. Invitations for parents of boys in Years 4-6 will be issued by email shortly. We hope to see you at the Sports Dinner.

## **Reading Groups**

Thanks to the many parents who have again made a commitment to our Reading Groups programme. Reading Groups begin next week for all grades. We look forward to seeing you.

## **After School Clubs - Term 3**

After School Clubs commence next week and students 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 distributed again with this Prep Peek. Year 6 parents should particularly note the **Year 7 2014 Placement Test** for all students on Saturday 7 September.

As Mr Dunn is on Long Service Leave for Term 3, any matters that would normally be addressed by Mr Dunn can be directed to Mr Rae (Stage 3) or myself for Stage 2 during the course of the term.

*Angus Bayliss*  
*Acting Deputy Head - North Sydney*

### **Library News**

Reading groups will begin next week, - Year 5 on Tuesdays, Year 6 on Wednesdays, Year 3 on Thursdays and Year 4 on Fridays. Thank you to all parents who have volunteered their time. By now you should have received your books and instructions. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ring me on 99561187. We look forward to your participation in this valuable part of our learning program.

*Margo Pickworth*  
*Teacher Librarian*

# Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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## Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

### Welcome back

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope that you all had a relaxing holiday as Term 3 will be very busy. This term includes the Art Show, Book Week, Open Day, Life Education, American Tea, Mini Proms and many other excursions and activities relevant to particular grades. There will be a great many permission notes coming home over the term, so please keep an eye on your child's plastic pocket.

### Report Follow Up

Though parent teacher interviews are scheduled towards the end of this term, I would encourage any parents who require further detail or explanation of their child's Semester 1 report to contact the K,1,2 office to arrange an interview time with the appropriate teacher as soon as possible. It is important that in working together to assist the children in their learning a clear understanding of desired outcomes is developed between home and school.

### Parent Helpers for Groups

Some reading/maths groups have already begun for this term and the remainder will recommence next week. The benefits of small group instruction for reading and maths are incredibly valuable. The teachers could not provide this structure for the children without parental assistance. If a parent/grandparent/nanny would like to begin helping, please let your child's class teacher know by writing a note in your child's diary.

### Assemblies

This week, Year 2 presented a General Assembly for K,1,2. Mr Saunders spoke to us about being happy, especially with what we have. Next week **1H** will present the first assembly for Term 3. Parents of 1H children are invited back to the classroom at the end of next week's assembly.

### Messages from the Office

- Mrs Lockyer is still missing some loaned clothing from the office. Boys please return any shorts, socks or undies that may have been borrowed.
- Please could you let Mrs Lockyer know any changes to your child's after school pick-up arrangements, including contact numbers where possible.
- After School Care arrangements remain the same unless parents have advised us otherwise.

### Other Information to Note:

**Tuesday, 30 July** – Prep Art Show Opening, Northbridge Hall – 6pm

**Friday, 2 August** – Athletics Carnival

*Natasha Mitchell*  
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

# Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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## ELC News

### Welcome Back

Welcome back to all of those members of the Shore community who have enjoyed a break over the holidays. At the Early Learning Centre, the last three weeks have been filled with opportunities for children to continue to try new experiences as well as form new friendships as other friends have been on holidays. The children have cooked cupcakes, thrown a party for Miss Vicki and we even had a 'movie day' where children brought in their favourite cuddly toy and snuggled under blankets eating popcorn to watch the ever popular Nemo. We invited Vanessa to the ELC to share her 'Under the Sea' show to support the children's ongoing interest in sea creatures. This was a fabulous hands-on experience where children were able to touch a variety of sea creatures as well as discover facts about the sea shore and ocean. All in all, it has been a great change of pace and we are all looking forward to the second half of the year.

### School Readiness Evening

On Wednesday 14 August, between 6:00pm and 7:00pm, the School Readiness Evening will take place in one of the Kindergarten classrooms, KBlue. The evening is for parents of children who will be starting Kindergarten in 2014 and is held by both ELC and K, 1, 2 staff. We will provide information on the school readiness and transition program at the Early Learning Centre and Miss Mitchell will share some initial information about starting Kindergarten. If you have any specific areas that you are particularly interested in hearing about could you please come and speak with me, so that way we can ensure the information we share is relevant. We aim to be able to address any questions you may have as you and your child prepare to transition from one context to the next. Please note, on Friday 11 October, the K-2 Orientation morning will take place in the Northbridge Assembly Hall where you will receive in-depth information on starting school at Shore.

### Transition Program

Term 3 also sees the commencement of the more formal transition programme for children who will be attending Shore Kindergarten in 2014. The visits will take place on Tuesday's and Friday's between 11:00 – 11:30am. Throughout the term, the children will experience a range of typical lessons that occur in the K, 1, 2 setting, such as Music, PE and ICT, as well as spend time in the two Kindergarten rooms, KBlue and KWhite. The transition timetable is displayed in the parent communication box. Children who are not attending Shore Kindergarten in 2014 will remain at the Early Learning Centre during this time and enjoy our normal activities. In Term 4, we look forward to the second part of the transition programme where we will join K, 1, 2 for lunch time.

### 'Save the Date to Vaccinate'

NSW Health recently launched a new communication campaign, *Save the Date to Vaccinate*, which has been designed to remind parents about the importance of vaccination and the importance of vaccinations being received on time. The website [www.immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au) has lots of current information on immunisation and provides access to free easy-to-use tools including a phone App and a printable Personalised Schedule. Please remember to give any new information regarding your child's immunisations to Miss Leanne to include in your child's file.

### Important Dates for Term 3

Tuesday 30 July – Opening night for the 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

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope everyone enjoyed their break and have come back refreshed for a busy term ahead.

## Athletics

Athletics trials began this week and went very well with all boys showing great enthusiasm for the trials. Thank you to all parents who offered their assistance at the time trials.

Once all the results have been calculated, boys will be selected to run in the finals at the Shore Athletics Carnival on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. All boys will enjoy the chance to participate in races on the day, either in the finals or house and class races. The Shore Athletics team will be chosen from the results of the school carnival.

## SHORE Preparatory School Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August, the Shore Prep Athletics Carnival will be held at Northbridge Playing Fields. All boys must attend and are asked to arrive at 8.00am for Roll Call at 8.15am.

The first events are field events and will start at 8.30am. Boys who have qualified in the field events will see their name on the sport board at school and will be reminded with a programme sent home. Boys who are not competing will follow their age group around to the various field events to support and cheer the finalists on. Track events will begin around 10:00am where all boys will be given the opportunity to race in a number of events. At Midday, K-2 boys and girls will join us for the K-6 House Marching Event. K-2 boys and girls will be involved in athletics activities starting at 12:30pm.

\*\* Please note all students will be dismissed at the conclusion of the carnival (approx 2.30pm).

## Dress Code

All boys must wear their P.E Uniform with their house shirt. The house T-shirt is a **plain** RED, GREEN, YELLOW or BLUE shirt with **NO logos**.

School tracksuits can be worn. Those boys racing can wear spikes but must put them on in the marshalling area for their event.

*Scott Mancey  
Sportsmaster*

\*\*Please note there are a number of changes this week with either venues or times.\*\*

OPENS Football - games will now be played at Queen's Park # 27 vs. Sydney Grammar

	COACH	Rd 7 - 20/7	Time
1st XV Rugby	S Mancey	Knox Northbridge, G	9.30am
2nd XV Rugby	P Knight	Knox Northbridge, G	8.45am
3rd XV Rugby	S Martin	Knox Northbridge, G	8.00am
11 A Rugby	A Bayliss	Scots Northbridge E	10.15am
11 B Rugby	P Harrington	Scots Northbridge E	9.30am
11 C Rugby	R Herron M Kerr	Scots Northbridge E	8.45am
11 D Rugby	D Jensen	Scots Northbridge E	8.00am
10 A Rugby	S Grainger	Newington Lindfield Koola Park	8.30am
1st XI Football	A. Phillips	Sydney Grammar Queens Park # 27	11.00am
2nd XI Football	A Phillips	Sydney Grammar Queens Park # 27	10.15am
3rd XI Football	K Polis	Sydney Grammar Queens Park # 27	9.30am
10 A Football	S Rae A Tong	St Aloysius Anderson Park	8.45am
10 B Football	M Case M Pickworth	St Aloysius Anderson Park	8.00am

## Venues

### SHORE

School Field—Edward St, North Sydney.  
Northbridge—(SCEGS War Memorial Playing Fields)  
55 Sailor's Bay Rod, Northbridge

### NEWINGTON (LINDFIELD) COLLEGE

Koola Park - Koola Avenue, East Killara

### SYDNEY GRAMMAR EDGECLIFF

Queen's Park - Darley Road, Waverley

### ST. ALOYSIUS COLLEGE

Anderson Park - Karuba Road, Neutral Bay

# Shore Association

Save the Date

Shore Hoopla Tennis Day

Tuesday 6 August, 2013

Australian Tennis Academy/ The Falls Retreat  
1110 Oxford Falls Road, Oxford Falls

9am—2pm (for a 9.30am start)

If you are interested in being a Court Captain, organise your team of 8 players now.

If you would like to register your interest please email  
Rebecca Higgs : [rebhiggs@bigpond.com](mailto:rebhiggs@bigpond.com)

[Trybooking Link here](#)

American Tea Art Exhibition  
Canvases available now!

Enquire how to get a canvas by:  
email: [jane@whiston.com.au](mailto:jane@whiston.com.au)

or

ask at Prep School Office

Get out your paint brushes & start  
painting your Impression of Shore