



# PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

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Junior Proms Rehearsals Y3-6 Assembly - Public Speaking Winners	Life Ed @ NS & NB	K-2 Strings Assembly Life Ed @ NS & NB Junior Proms-Y3&4 (6pm)	Life Ed @ NS & NB Last Day of Term 3		
Monday 7 October	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10	Friday 11	Sat 12/Sun 13
Labour Day Holiday ELC Closed	Staff Development Day	Term 4 Commences K-2 General Assembly		K-2 Orientation Morning @ NB (9am)	

## American Tea 2013

Once again the American Tea, held last Friday, was an enormous success at both Northbridge and North Sydney. Let me then take this opportunity to thank the Shore Association and in particular the Year Reps, Executive, stall organisers and helpers who worked so hard to ensure the day ran smoothly and successfully at both campuses.

It is important to remember that the purpose of the American Tea is to raise money to provide resources for the children of the School. Each year, the Preparatory School benefits from the hard work of the Shore Association which donates items such as books, classroom resources, computers and Smartboards. And while the American Tea is the most visible event in the Shore Association calendar, it is only one of the many activities held throughout the year by the Association to bring parents and friends together in support of the School. I know many parents and friends of the School have benefited from the functions and events the Association sponsors each year, such as cocktail parties, parent information evenings and other 'friend-raising' opportunities.

Each year I get asked about the origins of the American Tea and in particular, why is it called 'The American Tea'. The first mention of an American Tea in the School archives takes us back to a fete day held in November 1939, in the shadow of World War Two. However, prior to this, other annual fete days had been held for different fund-raising purposes as far back as 1918. The term 'American Tea' probably refers to the 'bring something and buy something' nature of the event, rather than to any connection to American servicemen, and in these early years the fete was used to raise money for the war effort and to contribute funds towards the building of the War Memorial Hall in the Senior School. By the time the war had finished and the Hall was completed (in 1954), the American Tea tradition had been firmly established within the School community and in the hearts and minds of the boys.

Since these early years, the American Tea has continued in its important dual role of bringing all members of the community together in a day of fun and celebration of the School, and also raising funds to contribute towards projects to enhance the education of all children at the School.

Thank you once again to all of those parents who contributed to the successful running of the American Tea at Northbridge and North Sydney.

## Nut Awareness

I remind all parents Shore Preparatory School is a "nut aware" school. We have a number of students throughout the School (Northbridge and North Sydney) who have allergies to nut products. Ingesting or sometimes even contact with nuts for these students can present serious health risks. Therefore we ask all families to follow some simple guidelines to make the School safe for everyone.

- Please do not send nuts or use spreads such as nutella or peanut butter in lunches.
- Be aware of products, such as many muesli or snack bars that contain whole nuts or nut pieces and do not pack these into lunches.
- Please reinforce with your children the importance of not sharing food. This is particularly important for younger children.
- When sending in food for birthday celebrations, please do not send cakes or other treats that contain nuts.

Thank you for your co-operation in this important matter.

## North Sydney Car Line

For the most part, the car line at North Sydney works well, given the cramped and crowded conditions at drop-off and pick-up times. I am particularly impressed with the courteous way drivers leave appropriate spaces at the Prep School exit gates, Lord Street and Mount Street so as to permit the flow of traffic in and out of these areas. I would however like to remind parents and carers of the importance of approaching the School via Edward Street only, rather than attempting to queue on Mount Street and turning the corner into Edward Street. Queuing on Mount Street interferes with the buses that depart from outside Mary Mackillop and disrupts the flow of traffic in and out of Edward Street. Thank you for your co-operation in this.

*Nick Saunders*  
Head of Shore Preparatory School

# North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

## Public Speaking Competition

It has been a delight to hear many boys exercising their skills in oration during the Preparatory School Public Speaking Competition. There were many fine speeches in class and in the finals with the teachers and judges having the very difficult task of selecting just one winner per grade. In fact, we had joint winners in Year 6, with 3rd place being just one point behind! Congratulations to all finalists on the exceptional quality of your presentations and especially to the grade champions for their performances. Our Year 5 & 6 finalists were given the added task of having to deliver an impromptu speech as well as the prepared talk. All finalists will receive their certificates at Monday's Assembly following presentations of the five champion's prepared talks to the whole school. Parents are warmly invited to attend.

### Grade Finalists:

Year 3 – John Kenny, George Leary, Joshua Mamelok, Henry Walker

Year 4 – Nicholas Laforest, Emerson Phillips, Bryson Constable, Matthew Leijer

Year 5 – Nicco McIntyre, Finn McCredie, Lachlan Phillips, Tommy Leary, William Hofman, Jonathan Woodcock

Year 6 – Xavier Phillips, Riley Salter, Jack Woods, Dylan Smith, Jehan Shroff, Nicholas Leijer

### Champions:

Year 3 – George Leary

Year 4 – Bryson Constable

Year 5 – Finn McCredie

Year 6 – Jehan Schroff and Xavier Phillips (joint)

## Assembly – Week 10

Medallions of Excellence will be presented to 20 Year 6 students at Monday's Assembly – 9.30am in the Smith Auditorium. Congratulations go to these boys on achieving this mile stone!

## Year 5 Father and Son Camp

This weekend our Year 5 boys and dads will enjoy the weekend at Deer Park in the Royal National Park. We wish them well as they take the chance to spend some time together in what has become, over a long number of years, a treasured opportunity for fathers and sons.

## Junior Prep Proms

Next Wednesday 18 September, the Year 3 and 4 Prep Proms will be held in the Smith Auditorium, commencing at 6pm. Boys are asked to arrive at 5:30pm. Whilst this is a free event, seating is allocated. Please reserve your seats at [www.trybooking.com/DFMU](http://www.trybooking.com/DFMU). We ask families to limit their allocation to a maximum of four seats and obviously only book with the intention of using each seat. A reminder that all boys in the String Ensemble and Concert Band are required for the Junior Prep Proms, inclusive of boys from Years 5 and 6. Thank you to Mr Jensen, Mr Spencer and the music tutors who have been rehearsing the boys for months.

## World Vision Famine

Final call PLEASE for any outstanding sponsor booklets and monies which are now over a week overdue. Apart from getting the money to World Vision we would love to be able to give the boys a final figure for their efforts!

## After School Clubs

The final day of After School Clubs for this term is next Tuesday. Clubs will not operate on Thursday as term ends at 2.55pm that afternoon. Term 4, After School Clubs forms were handed out yesterday to the students. Please return the completed forms to the office as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

## End of Term

Next Thursday 19 September is the last day of Term 3. Boys will be dismissed from North Sydney at 2.55pm. Next term commences on Wednesday 9 October.

## Quality Class Award

Congratulations to 5H & 4G who had 'Golden Weeks' and shared the Quality Class trophy. Who will be crowned Quality Class of Term 3?

*Simon Rae*

*Acting Deputy Head—North Sydney*

## Music

### AMEB Results 2013

Congratulations to the following students who sat for the recent AMEB Examinations

Charles Cole	Violin	2nd Grade	B
Bryson Constable	Violin	3rd Grade	B+
Nathan Davis	Violin	2nd Grade	A
Alexander Dubenec	Piano	1st Grade	B
Edward Ellis	Violin	Preliminary	B
Daniel Fatseas	Violin	3rd Grade	B
Max Gluskie	Piano	2nd Grade	C+
James Griffiths	Clarinet	2nd Grade	B+
Lachlan Hall	Piano	3rd Grade	A
Lachlan Hall	Cello	2nd Grade	A
Samuel Hodgson	Trombone	2nd Grade	A
William Hofman	Trumpet	1st Grade	A
Ethan Joel	Violin	1st Grade	B+
Freddie Keeble	Piano	Preliminary	A
Andrew Keegan	Violin	Preliminary	B+
Matthew Leijer	Piano	1st Grade	B+
Nicholas Leijer	Flute	1st Grade	A+
Nicholas Leijer	Piano	3rd Grade	B+
Benjamin Moore	Piano	3rd Grade	A
Benjamin Moore	Trumpet	1st Grade	A
Mitchell Parras	Piano	2nd Grade	B
Charles Rigby	Trumpet	2nd Grade	A
Nicholas Sarmiento	Violin	1st Grade	B
Jehan Shroff	Trombone	3rd Grade	A
Angus Skidmore	Horn	1st Grade	B
Adrian Thompson	Violin	Preliminary	B+
Ryan Treleaven	Saxophone	3rd Grade	B+

*David Jensen*

*Prep Music Coordinator*

# Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

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## Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

### American Tea

Last Friday arrived and there were some very excited children at K,1,2. The children came to school buzzing and ready for action. They were certainly not disappointed. Here are just a few comments heard on the day: "This is the best day ever.", "I love it when school is this fun." and "I love throwing sponges at the teachers." (***I'm sure it was fun if you were the thrower!!***). The American Tea has two main purposes – first, it is for the Shore community to enjoy an event together and second, it helps to raise funds for resources and activities. Thank you to all the parents, staff and children involved with making this day such a wonderful success and special thanks to Lisa Hills, our Northbridge American Tea co-ordinator and her team. Well done, everyone!

### Girls Afternoon

Last Thursday we had approximately 100 past, present and future girls visit Shore for our annual Girl's Afternoon. A wonderful afternoon was had by all the girls. We had a delicious afternoon tea, followed by a circus workshop. All the girls received a special commemorative teddy bear on the afternoon. Thank you to Mrs Anderson, Mrs Lockyer and all the Northbridge staff for a lovely afternoon.

### Bon Voyage, Mrs Simons!

Next week will be the last week at school for Mrs Simons for 2013. Mrs Simons will be travelling around South America with her family until January 2014. We wish Mrs Simons and her family a safe and happy adventure and we look forward to hearing of her travels next year. Dance and Drama classes will continue as usual and the Thursday after school dance class will also continue.

### After School Activities

All after school activities have now finished for the term, with the exception of French and Dance. There are 'make up' classes for both of these next week.

### Lost Property

Our lost property basket is quite full. Please come and check if you are missing any items. The box will be cleared out at the end of next week.

### Assemblies

Thank you to 2T for your assembly this week. You certainly put a lot of work into your presentation. Next week we look forward to a General Assembly featuring our strings groups. This will be our last assembly for the term. Year 1M will have their class assembly early in Term 4. Congratulations to Year **KWhite** on receiving this week's **Quality Class Award**. Well done, **KWhite**.

### Other Information to Note:

**Week 10** – Life Education

**Thursday, 19 September** – Last day of Term 3

**Wednesday, 9 October** – First day of Term 4

### Invitation to:

#### **K,1,2 String Ensembles Assembly Performance**

When: Wednesday, 18 September

Time: 8.30am

Where: Assembly Hall, Northbridge

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend.

*Alexandra Wentzel*  
Head of Strings/Master Assisting Music  
(Performance)



*Natasha Mitchell*

Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

# Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

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## ELC News

### American tea

Thank you to all of the people who worked so hard to put the Northbridge 2013 American Tea together! The end result was an incredible morning of activity with the Northbridge community united for what proved to be a lot of fun! These events rely heavily on people volunteering their time in some way, so a huge thank you to those that were able. For those who were not able to directly contribute this time, can I encourage you to speak with myself or the Shore Association Representatives in the future to find out how you could get involved.

### Lunch boxes in Term 4

From Term 4 Week 1 there will be a change to the way we store lunch boxes. Children who are attending Kindergarten in 2014 will no longer use the ELC fridge, instead children will place their lunch boxes in baskets near the front door. The purpose of this is twofold. Firstly, it is to support you in becoming familiar with packing a lunch box for your child that will not be refrigerated but still be OK to eat at lunch time. You will need to give consideration to items such as dairy products that may spoil when left in warm temperatures. Secondly, between Weeks 2 – 8 on Tuesday and Thursday we will be taking children who are attending Shore Kindergarten in 2014 to experience lunch time at K 1 2 as part of the transition to Shore program. Children who are not attending Shore Kindergarten in 2014 will remain at the ELC.

As we will no longer be restricted by storing lunch boxes in a fridge, you may provide a larger lunch box and a drink bottle for your child. There are many 'eski' style lunch boxes available that will assist in keeping food fresh during the day.

### Some tips for school lunches

- Snip the corner of packets that are tricky to open and practise opening packets with your child at home.
- Twist open then close tops of squeeze style yogurts or fruit
- Include an ice brick or frozen drink to keep lunch boxes cool
- Enjoy picnics on your non-ELC days using the lunch box your child will take to school

All children will still enjoy morning and afternoon tea together so please continue to provide a piece of fruit. Children who will be at the ELC in 2013 will continue to use the refrigerator as normal.

### Torchbearer

This week the 2012 edition of Torchbearer has been distributed to children who attended Shore last year. The publication captures the achievements and highlights of all of the students throughout Shore school. If you have siblings at Shore and do not wish to keep your copy of the Torchbearer please leave it at the front desk. Thank you.

### Medication

When providing medication for your child at the Early Learning Centre please ensure that it is in its original container and made out for the individual who it is to be

administered to and has not expired. On arrival at the ELC please speak with a staff member, fill out the medication form and give them the medication to be stored safely. Medication is not to be kept in children's bags.

If you have other medication that your child requires that may have been purchased 'over the counter' we can administer this provided it has been prescribed by a doctor and is labelled with your child's name. If you ask your pharmacist they will be able to supply you with an appropriate label.

### Tea-Towel and Bags

The 2013 Early Learning Centre tea-towel and bag are now available for purchase at the front desk. I am sure you will agree that they look absolutely fabulous! If you would like to purchase either of these items, please fill out the order form at the front desk. They always sell very fast so get in quick so that you don't miss out!

*Rebecca Schollum  
ELC - Director*



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

## Bob Templeton & Johnny Warren Sports Award

At Monday's assembly, the Best and Fairest Award and the Coach's Award were presented to the boys from every Rugby and Football team in the Prep School by Mr George Gegan. Also the Bob Templeton Cup (Rugby) and the Johnny Warren Cup (Football) for Fair Play, Outstanding Skill and Sportsmanship were awarded to Sam Duckworth (1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby) and Mitchell Cassie (1<sup>st</sup> XI Football). Well done to all boys who received their team's honours.

## NSW CIS Athletics

Well done to Jonathan Woodcock, Hugo Pruscino and Max Gegan who competed at the NSW CIS Athletics on Wednesday. Unfortunately, Cal Lidbury was unwell all week and unable to compete.

Hugo Pruscino - Under 11 High Jump, 1.35m (8th)

Max Gegan - Under 12 Long Jump, 5.03m (6th)

Jonathan Woodcock - Under 10 Discus 31.98m (2nd).  
Long Jump 4.23m (3rd). High Jump 1.30m (5th). Shot  
Putt 8.30m (9th).

Congratulations to Jonathan who has qualified for the NSW PSSA Athletics carnival in Discus and Long Jump.

## Wednesday Sports training.

For the final week of school, the boys in Years 4 – 6 will resume training in their summer sport teams. The basketball boys are asked to wear their PE uniform rather than their basketball singlet to training. ALL cricket boys should be bringing their own protector to training. All boys should wear sunscreen and a hat. The term 4 fixture list will be sent out next week.

## PE Classes – Term 4

In Term 4 all boys 3-6 will be doing a swimming unit as part of the PD/H/PE Program.

During PE lessons the boys will walk to the Senior School swimming pool. There they will get changed into the following;

*Dress Code* – School swimmers, Shore wet shirts, sunscreen (compulsory). Goggles, cap & towel recommended.

**Shore wet shirts available from clothing pool (extra protection from the Aussie sun).**

*Scott Mancey  
Sportsmaster*



Calling all fathers...

You are warmly invited to join us at the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Golf Day & Dinner at Pymble Golf Club on

**Thursday 27 October 2013.**



## Clothing Shop

Now is the time to check school uniforms in preparation for the changeover to summer uniform in Term 4. The Clothing Shop has plenty of stock for any purchases required before the new term.

*Jenny Clinton  
Shore Clothing Shop*

## WILLOUGHBY FUN RUN

**Saturday 21 September 2013**

Register NOW online:

[www.willoughbyleisure.com.au](http://www.willoughbyleisure.com.au)

The Willoughby Fun Run on Saturday 21 September 2013 is a community event and a fantastic day out for the whole family. Featuring 10km, 5km, and 1.5km Kids Fun Run through the picturesque Bicentennial Park and surrounding suburbs of Willoughby. Elite runners, joggers, walkers, families are all welcome.

All participants in the Willoughby Fun Run are invited to visit the Willoughby Leisure Open Day after the run.

# Shore Association

The Shore Association would like to thank everybody that participated in this year's American Tea. We had a myriad of volunteers that worked tirelessly for this event and the success of the day could not have occurred without each of you. In particular, we need to thank our two American Tea Convenors, Emma Scambler and Lizzie Windsor. Their planning, professionalism, guidance and support were evident in each of the stalls as they all ran so smoothly and were so successful. We have received nothing but praise for these two wonderful convenors, so thank you both for a huge job done so well.

From all of us,  
The Boys, Parents and Shore Community

What a fabulous American Tea!! Well done!!

A very big thank you to you all for making the day such a happy and enjoyable experience for everyone involved – from our fabulous stallholders and their helpers to the boys and their teachers, the SM's, parents, grandparents and old boys. A big thank you also to Brad Leet and his maintenance team who worked tirelessly in the lead up, pulling equipment out from all corners of the school and setting up the stalls.

Kind regards  
Emma and Lizzie



# Shore Association



Some of the fabulous stalls at American Tea 2013