



PREP PEEK

The weekly newsletter of Shore Preparatory School, Sydney, NSW

Phone 8am - 4pm: 9956 1183 Fax : 9956 1199

PO Box 1221 North Sydney New South Wales 2059

Prep Peek available Fri pm <http://www.shore.nsw.edu.au> and follow the prompts

Friday, 18 October, 2013

Volume 36 Issue 31

Monday 21	Tuesday 22	Wednesday 23	Thursday 24	Friday 25	Sat 26 / Sun 27
		K-2 General Assembly Buddies	Yr 2 @ NS Chapel	Y2 Excursion to Powerhouse Museum	Summer Sport Round 9 Sun - Shore Garden Party
Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 31	Friday 1 Nov	Sat 2 Nov/Sun 3 Nov
K-2 Swimming School Y6 Tests	Shore Association Lunchtime Seminar, Northbridge @12pm	K-2 General Assembly	Y3 Excursion - Don Bank Museum and Coal Loader	Y5 Excursion - Sculptures By The Sea	Summer Sport Round 10

Leadership in the Preparatory School

This week in the North Sydney assembly, I was reflecting with the boys about Year 6 completing their last year at the Prep. Term 4 is an important time for Year 6 as they reflect on their years at the Prep, celebrate the important milestone they have reached and look forward to what is ahead. An important part of this process is to reflect upon their role as leaders within the School this year and so I also encouraged the boys of Year 5 to begin to look forward to their leadership role within the School next year.

The Preparatory School sees Year 6 as an important milestone in the development of young men and so seeks to focus the boys' minds on questions of leadership and example during their final year at the Prep. Here the emphasis is always on imbuing the boys with the ethic of servant leadership, helping them to understand that true leadership is about seeing to the needs of others first.

As the senior students in the Preparatory School, Year 6 boys enjoy a number of special privileges and so shoulder extra expectation. All Year 6 students are considered leaders of the School and are encouraged to rise to that challenge. Leadership is considered to be an opportunity to serve others in the community. Each Year 6 student has at least one:

- Position of responsibility – a position of leadership in the activities of the School (for example, house captaincy, sport captaincy, music leadership, activity monitor, etc.); and one
- Duty – a job that is integral to the day-to-day running of the School (for example, putting up the flag, operating the gates, overseeing lunch orders, etc.).

Students are asked to nominate themselves for positions of leadership and duties. Their preferences are considered in the selection process which is finally determined by the staff and Head of the Preparatory School. This process will begin for Year 5 towards the end of this term, but will be finalised at the start of next year.

The opportunity to serve others gives boys in Year 6 a particular focus in their final year in the Preparatory School, one that prepares them well for the service programmes that will continue to be a part of their school experience in the Senior School. But above and beyond this, their example of service to others reinforces the important values that underpin the Preparatory School community.

New Students for 2014

Today and last Friday, the School welcomed new students who will be joining us at Shore Preparatory School next year. Last Friday, we had the Northbridge Orientation Morning, where we welcomed, in particular, the Kindergarten 2014 stu-

dents. With a large number of children coming to Kindergarten from the ELC, the morning was full of excitement and expectation, rather than nervous anticipation. Today, we welcomed the new boys who will be starting at North Sydney in 2014. It was great to see the excitement of own Shore Year 2 boys and the bright new faces of the boys joining us in Year 5.

Shore Association Lunchtime Seminar – Tuesday 29 October – Northbridge

I would like to draw your attention to the parent seminar to be held in the Emery Room at the back of the A-ground grandstand at Northbridge. This free lunch event begins at 12pm for a light lunch then at 12:30pm the seminar will begin. The seminar will be led by the Shore counselling team and is entitled "When does normal behaviour become problematic behaviour: knowing the difference". It will help parents to answer questions such as, when does 'sad' become 'depressed', or when does 'active become 'hyperactive'. I know that parents will learn many tips about how to better understand the signals that children can often give us through their behaviour. See the information contained in this week's Prep Peek for further details.

*Nick Saunders
Head of Shore Preparatory School*

North Sydney News, Years 3 to 6

Orientation Day

Thank you, boys, for helping all the new 2014 students to feel so welcome this morning. Riley Salter and Oliver Andrea were especially helpful by preparing and delivering a welcoming message to the new boys based on memories of their time in the Prep. The String Quintet used their skills to welcome the new parents with beautiful music. Our House Leaders did a wonderful job, chaperoning parents and then welcoming the new boys. It is a hallmark of our school that visitors are greeted by the smiles of happy and polite students.

Year 2 Visit

Well done to our Year 2 girls and boys who were guests at the 3-6 Assembly and Chapel at North Sydney this week after spending the morning playing games with Year 3. Your behaviour was exemplary, boys and girls. We are looking forward to your other Chapel and Assembly visits over the next few weeks as you get a taste for primary school life.

How Are You Getting Home?

Please ensure that travel arrangements are organised and known to your son before he comes to school each morning. When a change from the normal pattern is necessary, it is helpful (especially with younger students) to note this in the diary for staff to refer to when a student is confused. Often, by the time we are able to contact parents in the afternoon to clarify arrangements, it is then too late to catch the bus or train.

Year 6 Medallions of Excellence

Many of our Year 6 students have already achieved the required number of Assembly certificates for a medallion. These will be presented at the last Assembly of the year on Monday 18 November. A number of boys are sweating on their last 1 or 2 certificates and will no doubt be trying doubly hard for all their teachers to achieve these. If any student is having difficulty collating the required number of certificates because they have been misplaced, they should see Mr Dunn and we will do our best to determine how many have been awarded over their years in the Prep.

Wednesday Sport – Cricket Bags

We need to limit the amount of equipment taken on buses to sport as well as on public transport to and from school. As such, cricket bags are not permitted at Wednesday practice (with the exception of boys who depart immediately to club practice with another parent). Cricketers are encouraged to bring their own protector in their bag and may bring their own bat. Other equipment should fit in either the Shore sport or school bag – no big cricket bags please.

Year 6 Thank You Dinner

A highlight of Term 4 will be the Year 6 Thank You Dinner on Wednesday 20 November which is attended by all Year 6 boys and their parents. The evening is a chance to celebrate and look back at the boys' time in the Prep as well as look forward to their step up into Senior School. The name of the evening derives from the 'Thank you' gift that the year group presents to the Prep School. Look out soon for your invitation in your in-box.

Quality Class Award

It was very pleasing to see many classes receive their Quality Class Award for an excellent effort throughout Week 1. What a positive start to term!

Mark Dunn
Deputy Head – North Sydney

Music

Congratulations to Cooper Mills for his excellent rendition of 'You Are My Sunshine', during Monday's assembly. Cooper performed the piece on ukulele, an instrument not often heard at the Prep School.

Mr D Jensen
Music Coordinator

Year 7 Scholarships for 2015

Shore is currently accepting registrations for Scholarships offered to boys entering Year 7 in 2015.

Academic Scholarships are awarded after the completion of the ACER Scholarship examination and an interview with the Headmaster and Director of Studies. These Scholarships are awarded to boys considered to have exceptional academic potential, who will benefit substantially by attending the School, and who will in turn make a significant contribution to the academic life of the School.

The RGH Walmsley Scholarship (Closed)

Restricted to boys who have attended the Shore Preparatory School for one year or longer. Of value equal to 50% tuition fees for the normal six years of secondary schooling.

Two means-related Scholarships and one Boarding Scholarship are awarded after the completion of the ACER Scholarship examination and interview. These Scholarships are awarded to boys who apply considerable effort to their studies and will contribute significantly to co curricular activities within the School.

Music Scholarships are open to boys with outstanding ability in playing an orchestral instrument for entry into Year 7 2015. For one of these, preference will be given to boys with ability in playing French horn, however other orchestral instrumentalists are invited to apply. An occasional Organ scholarship is also available, covering 25% of academic tuition fees and full instrumental tuition fees. Applicants for Music Scholarships will attend an audition and interview.

The ACER examination will be held at the School on Saturday 1 March 2014. Online registrations can be completed through Shore's website, www.shore.nsw.edu.au, which also provides more detailed scholarship information.

The online registration system will be closed at midnight AEST on Monday 10 February 2014. No late registrations will be permitted.

For further enquiries, please feel free to contact Fran Lamb on 9900 4746 or e-mail flamb@shore.nsw.edu.au.

Shore Preparatory School K, 1, 2 – Northbridge

Northbridge News, K, 1, 2

Kindergarten Orientation for 2014

Last Friday, our new Kindergarten children for 2014 visited us for the morning. The Year 2P girls and boys were excellent leaders and helpers on the morning. Working in the Library and the ICT Room, all the new children were very excited. Our present Kindergarten children seem so grown up. Thank you to the teachers and staff for your hard work in preparing for the morning.

Year 2 attending the Year 3–6 Assembly at North Sydney

It was wonderful to hear of the fantastic behaviour of the Year 2 girls and boys during their visit to the North Sydney assembly on Monday. The children and teachers are to be congratulated on their silence when moving about the Senior School due to the HSC exams and their ability to fit into the slightly different expectations and experiences at the North Sydney campus. Mr Philips and Miss Tootell are also very proud of you. Well done, Year 2!

Making the Most of Opportunities

With Term 4 being our last term for the year, the teachers often remind the girls and boys that it is important to make the most of their opportunities. It is essential that despite the excitement of the various events, the children keep settled and continue to focus on achieving their best in tasks. Parents can support their child by ensuring that homework tasks, news items and home reading are systematically approached and that good sleep patterns are part of their weekly routines. The goal is to have every child finishing the year feeling good about themselves, satisfied that they have achieved outcomes and ready for the next stage of their education.

Swimming

The children are looking forward to taking part in the swimming programme in Weeks 4 and 5. Letters were sent home this week and the permission notes are required back by Monday, 21 October please. Shore School swimming costumes and house coloured swimming caps are available from the Clothing Shop at North Sydney. Mrs Lockyer has a small supply of the caps in the K,1,2 office and these are \$3 each, cash only please. Remember to write your child's name on everything!

Animals on Campus

May I please remind parents of the school's policy regarding animals on campus. No pets including dogs are permitted on school grounds. This must be heeded especially around children. There are children at K,1,2 who have severe allergies to dogs. Thank you.

Assemblies

This week, K,1,2 had **Year 1M's** class assembly. Next week we will have a general assembly. Congratulations to **Year KWhite** on receiving this week's **Quality Class of the Week Award**. What a fantastic way to start the last term of 2013.

Other Information to Note:

Thursday, 24 October – Year 2 to North Sydney for Chapel

Friday, 25 October – Year 2 Excursion to the Powerhouse Museum

Monday, 28 October – Swimming School begins

Natasha Mitchell
Deputy Head of Shore Preparatory School - Northbridge

Early Learning Centre – Northbridge

ELC Phone: 8966 5350 ELC Fax: 8966 5391

ELC News

School Lunch Transition

This week on Tuesday and Thursday we commenced the transition lunch visits to Shore K, 1, 2. It is always an experience that the older children look forward to as they anticipate what it might be like to be at 'big school'. As we prepared to leave the ELC, I could tell the boys and girls were very excited about the new experience with all of their lively chatter. I could hear children talking about who they might see and they had lots of great questions about what it might be like. When we arrived in the playground, the 'big kids' were still in their classrooms. This gave us time to wash hands and find great spots to sit in the shade. When the bell sounded the Kindergarten children joined us on the steps, excited to catch up with old ELC friends. While we ate lunch, the Kindergarten children informed us of some of the rules about being at big school. We found out that we have to listen for the bell, so we know if it's time to eat, play or line up. When we are eating, we have to sit down and not speak with food in our mouths. After we have finished our lunch, we have to show the teachers before we are allowed to play. During the course of the visit, the ELC teachers and I were impressed at how caring, welcoming and helpful the children from Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 were to all of the Early Learning Centre children. A big thank you and well done to all of those boys and girls!

One of the goals of this experience is to assist children in being totally independent with their lunches. A few children still required some help opening up items. Here are a few tips to help with packaging:

- Items like yoghurts with twist tops can have their tops twisted to break the seal then can be done back up again
- The tube yoghurts that have to be torn across the top often require scissors, so are not ideal
- Packaging can have corners snipped so children can easily tear them open
- Use a lunch box where you can provide a 'naked lunch', so that children don't have to open wrappings and this will save on rubbish too
- Use paper lunch wrap as opposed to cling wrap; it is much easier to open
- Practise using lunch boxes on days when your child is not coming to the ELC to see how they manage the items that you are including for them at school.

We look forward to more lunch visits throughout Term 4.

Children's Clothing

Over the last few weeks I have received several reports that children's Shore fleece jackets have been lost. Please check the labels inside the fleece jackets that you have at home or in your child's bag to ensure it has your child's name. Please return any that don't and we can hopefully match the correct jacket with the correct child before the end of the year.

As we move to the warmer months children's footwear

often changes to a more summer style shoe. All footwear should fit well on the foot so that children are able to run and climb with ease. Crocs and thongs are not considered appropriate. Girls should also be reminded to leave all jewellery at home and wear their long hair tied back neatly.

ELC Staff

As you will be aware Miss Kelly is now staying with us until the end of the year and I am very pleased to add to that news that she is pregnant. We will be advertising for a replacement teacher for the Blue Room whilst she takes maternity leave in 2014. We are also advertising for a replacement for Mr Mark in the Green Room, as he has recently resigned. This position will be filled with a casual staff member until a suitable replacement is found.

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 PSSA Athletics

Well done to Jonathan Woodcock who competed at the NSW PSSA Carnival during the week. It is a tremendous achievement competing against the best athletes in the State.

Saturday Games

All boys are reminded to be at the game 30min before start. Captains are to call the wet weather line (9956 1185) early Saturday morning. A message will be left on the machine by 6.45am.

Boys, please make sure you bring the correct gear for your sport and make sure you are in correct sports uniform each week

Scott Mancey
Sportsmaster

Results from Round 7, October 12

1st Cricket	A Bayliss	Vs. St Aloysius 106-120
Yr 6 Super 8 Blues	S Grainger/ S Mancey	Vs St Aloysius 67-84
Snr Super 8 Cricket Whites	H Bunting	Vs. St Aloysius 35-105
Yr 5 As Cricket	S Rae	Vs. St Patrick's 82-83
Yr 5 Bs Cricket	S Martin	Vs St Patrick's 5/80 V 78
Yr 5 Super 8 Blues	K Polis	Vs. Barker 88-44
Yr 4 As Cricket	A Phillips	Vs. Scots 125-80
Yr 4 Bs Cricket	M Dunn	Vs. Scots 2/220 V 65
Yr 4 Super 8 Blues	E Kleinig	Sydney Grammar Edgecliff 54-56
Basketball Snr A	P Knight	Vs. Cranbrook 35-53
Basketball Snr B	M Crerar	Vs. Cranbrook 22-41
Basketball Snr C	K Tootell	Vs. Cranbrook 14-61
Basketball Snr D	N Mitchell	Vs. Cranbrook 12-46
Basketball Snr E	S Curnow	Vs. Cranbrook 14-42
Basketball Snr F	C Gagliano	Vs. Cranbrook 25-26
Basketball Snr G	L Tooker	Vs. Cranbrook 20-30
Basketball Snr H	A Geersen V Covey	Vs Cranbrook 14-30
Basketball Jnr A & B	J Anderson	Vs. Grammar Edgecliff Junior A : 45-16 Junior B : 22-4
Tennis	L Reynolds P Harrington	Vs. Newington Wyvern Both A & B teams won

	COACH	Round 8 19/10
1st Cricket	A Bayliss	Grammar St.Ives Cowper # 1 8.00am
Yr 6 Super 8 Blues	S Grainger	Grammar St.Ives Cowper # 2 9.30am
Snr Super 8 Cricket Whites	H Bunting	Grammar St.Ives Cowper # 2 8.00am
Yr 5 As Cricket	S Rae	Knox School Field, Nth Sydney 8.00am
Yr 5 Bs Cricket	S Martin	Knox Kent Road, Tur- ramurra 8.00am
Yr 5 Super 8 Blues	K Polis	Waverley Queens' Park # 22 8.00am
Yr 4 As Cricket	A Phillips	Trinity Northbridge G 8.00am
Yr 4 Bs Cricket	M Dunn	Trinity Northbridge F 8.00am
Yr 4 Super 8 Blues	E Kleinig	Mosman Northbridge E 8.00am
Basketball Snr A	P Knight	Redlands Dunnett Hall 10.15am
Basketball Snr B	M Crerar	Redlands Dunnett Hall 9.30am
Basketball Snr C	K Tootell	Redlands Dunnett Hall 8.45am
Basketball Snr D	N Mitchell	Redlands Dunnett Hall 8.00am
Basketball Snr E	S Curnow	Redlands NSBH 10.15am
Basketball Snr F	C Gagli- ano	Redlands NSBH 9.30am
Basketball Snr G	L Tooker	Redlands NSBH 8.45am
Basketball Snr H	A Geersen V Covey	Redlands NSBH 8.00am
Basketball Jnr A & B	J Anderson	Kincoppal Kincoppal School B - 8.00am A - 8.45am
Tennis	L Reynolds P Harring- ton	Redlands Neutral Bay Tennis Club 8.00am

Venues:

SHORE

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

River Rd Tennis Courts - River Rd, Lane Cove.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR ST. IVES

Cowper, Top Field, Pool - Mona Vale Rd & Ayres Rd, St. Ives. (Basketball &
Tennis), Parking - Mawson St.

KNOX GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Kent Rd, North Turrumurra - off Bobbin Head Rd, turn into Spurwood St and
that leads to Kent Rd.

S.C.E.C.G.S. REDLANDS

Dunnet Hall - Alister St, Cremorne

Neutral Bay Tennis Courts - 1 Barry St, Neutral Bay.

KINCOPPAL

2 Vaucluse Rd. Vaucluse.

Shore Association

The Shore Association invites parents to attend an
informal Lunchtime Seminar

"When Does Normal Behaviour Become Problematic Behaviour - Knowing the Difference"

Tuesday 29th October, 2013, 12 Midday for 12.30
In The Emery Room (In the Grandstand), Northbridge Playing Fields

The Shore Counselling Team will discuss, in an informal presentation, situations such as:
When does 'sad' become 'depressed';
'active' become 'hyperactive';
'nervous' become 'anxious'.

What can we do as parents, when we think our kids have crossed
over that line?
Where do we go for help?

This is a free event and Sandwiches, Tea and Coffee will be provided
beforehand.

Please RSVP to [http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?
eid=65279](http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=65279)

Any queries, please contact Michelle Bennett 0428 233406 or
sbennet1@bigpond.net.au

Shore Association



Are you a great organiser?
Do you love a challenge?
Perhaps you are a marketing wiz?
Or maybe you would just like to be more involved with your child's school?

If you are, then the Shore Association needs you!

This year we are looking for:

Deputy Chairman
Minutes Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Year Rep Co-ordinator
Northbridge Canteen, Winter Management Team (3 – 4 people)
Second Hand Text Book Convenor
Year Representatives for
1 x Year 7
2 x Year 8
1 x Year 9
1 x Year 10
2 x Year 11

The Shore Association is constantly evolving, and every year we welcome new faces to the team. Everyone is welcome to apply and at present we have members from all three campuses. Participating behind the scenes at your child's school is an extremely rewarding experience and long lasting friendships are made. Each role has a fixed term, so you are never locked in to 'forever' and because we are a team there is always someone able to lend a helping hand. Taking an active role in the School's activities also enriches our children's own experiences and helps them develop a lifelong connection to their school.

For detailed information on these positions, and to find out how you can become a part of the Shore Association contact:

Michelle Bennett sbennet1@bigpond.net.au

Jeanette Adams jadams@sailcorp.com.au for Year Rep Positions

Please include contact details and indicate the position in which you are interested.

Looking forward to hearing from you.