

NORTH SHORE NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL MANAGING DIRECTOR

Mr Anson MAK

Welcome to the new school year at North Shore Coaching College for 2023 and Happy Lunar New Year of the rabbit. We wish that everyone can achieve their very best, stay safe and have a happy and memorable experience at North Shore. Hope that you have had an opportunity to reconnect with loved ones and recharge in the holiday season.

We have an exciting year ahead at North Shore and you will start noticing some changes moving forward, including **improved payment process, simpler re-enrolment process, and reporting of student progress**. This is in addition to our commitment to delivering Tuition that works! We are committed to continuing to innovate and deliver a superior student experience.

May we remind students to leave their surroundings (in particular classrooms) clean and tidy. Good hygiene is one of the most effective ways to protect ourselves and others from many illnesses.

Did you know - our [bookshop](#) is currently registered to accept Back to School NSW Vouchers? **Back to School vouchers (3 x \$50 per eligible child) are available to parents from the Service NSW app and must be redeemed by 30 June 2023.** [Contact us for further details.](#)

NAPLAN, scholarships and selective school exams are fast approaching. [Speak to us](#) if you need any advice and/or courses to better prepare your child.

We would also like to congratulate our student, Makan W., our budding scientist who appeared on Australia's Got Talent, solving a Rubik's Cube whilst reciting the periodic table. Awesome work Makan!

Beyond the realm of tutoring, we are delighted to support organisations that reflect the generosity, humility and values of our Founder, Mrs Demi Mak. We are grateful for your ongoing support of North Shore, which enables us to provide donations to organisations such as Canrevive Foundation, St Edmund's College, Art Gallery of NSW Starting with Art Program, Jesuit Mission, and Caritas Australia.

Feedback and striving for continuous improvement are important for all of us at North Shore Coaching College. **We welcome ongoing feedback to feedback@north-shore.com.au.** If you have had a great experience in class, and/or with a staff member, we would be grateful for a positive online review! If you have a question, no matter how big or small, please reach out to us.

Thanks to all our Campus Directors, teachers, staff and parents/guardians for your dedication to nurturing our students in 2023! Looking forward to a great year ahead!

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THE IMPORTANCE OF SILENT READING

Mr Tony HANLON
National Deputy Principal

Sustained silent reading has been an important part of the weekly timetable for many schools since I started teaching over three decades ago. The latest research indicates that it is still crucial for developing fundamental literacy skills.

It is important, however, that it is not left up to the school to ensure your child reads silently each day. To maximise your child's literacy skills, comprehension and fluency, it is important that silent reading takes place at home on a regular basis.

So how do you fit silent reading time into an already overcrowded schedule of sport, homework and extra-curricular activities? Here are 3 simple suggestions:

1. On the car ride to and from school
2. Establish a ritual of 15 minutes silent reading at bedtime before lights out
3. Establish a ritual of 15 minutes before breakfast - a weekend treat if your child can successfully tell you what they read each day during the preceding week.

It is important that your child:

- reads each day to build a sustainable habit;
- is able to select books they find interesting and engaging;
- has the opportunity to share with you what they have read.

It is important that as a parent that you:

- take interest in what they share about their reading experience - they will value what you value;
- also read silently each day/night - modelling the behaviour is a very powerful message you send to your child.

Of course, the ideal situation would involve the family taking out 20 minutes a night for 3 nights a week where everyone reads silently. A book, an iPad, newspaper or magazine. The source is not as important as the fact that everyone is reading! This modelling sends a strong, silent message to your child that reading is important and you place a high value on it.

Recent action research undertaken by Queenwood School for Girls has been consistent with earlier studies that revealed the importance of modelling reading behaviour. The students demonstrated increased interest in books that the teachers were themselves reading and even showed interest in reading their teacher's favourite books. This also resulted in an increased interest in more classic books.

Remember, you were the first teacher your child encountered. Your influence will continue throughout their life. The effort you put in to establishing their reading habits is as influential as that of their teachers.





Some Recommended Reading

As earlier stated it is important that students self-select their reading material however you can supplement their choices. Enid Blyton's 'Famous Five' and 'Secret Seven' series can still win new fans even after many decades since their first release. I am personally a big fan of Emily Rodda and particularly the Rowan of Rin series for the wonderfully descriptive passages and the portrayal of an 'ordinary' boy who overcomes fear and a lack of expectation to become his own person. A multitude of literature is available to help young girls navigate their early years and become empowered women. The website: amightygirl.com has many interesting recommendations including a favourite, "The Paper Bag Princess", which teaches young girls they can be their own knight in shining armour.

For me, teaching is still one of the great joys of my life and the opportunity to share wonderful literature with children is a cornerstone of that joy. At North Shore we take pride in walking with your child on their learning journey. We have done so for thousands of students for over 30 years and we are ready to welcome new students on their journey.

Stay happy. Stay healthy. Above all stay committed to modelling the type of person you want your child to grow up to be.

Have a wonderful 2023.

Booster Program

Selected Campuses

Reading Club

For Middle Primary Student



Introduce your child to the magic of literature. Students have the opportunity to explore literary classics in specially prepared children's editions of the original texts.

Let our experienced educators guide your child through tales that have enchanted readers for decades. There is no better way to ensure your child develops a lifelong love of reading.

ENQUIRE NOW!



It's time to learn!

It's been a fun summer with lots to do, but the school year has begun, so good luck to you! Take out your crayons, open the books! Put on your school uniforms and your bright happy looks! It's time to cheer for a new school year!

North Shore Coaching College offers #Tuition That Works# by inspiring and motivating young people to develop good study habits and a love of learning. The result? Better grades, a healthier mindset, and a more enriching academic experience overall.

A good beginning makes a big difference... Make sure you begin this academic year with new hopes and a positive mindset to make it a brighter chapter in your school life.

*Make a head start
on the year ahead
with
North Shore
Coaching
College!*

2023 TERM 1

Fastrain Programs
Exam Preparation Programs
Reading & Phonics
English & Maths
Creative Writing
& More ..

ENQUIRE NOW!



EXAM SEASON IS COMING



Selective High School Placement Test

EXAM PREPARATION

Our Exam Preparation Programs are designed to help students to reach their full potential in preparing for exams. At North Shore Coaching College, we take the stress out of exam preparation by offering challenging but well-paced educational programs, crafted and delivered by the most passionate and qualified educators.

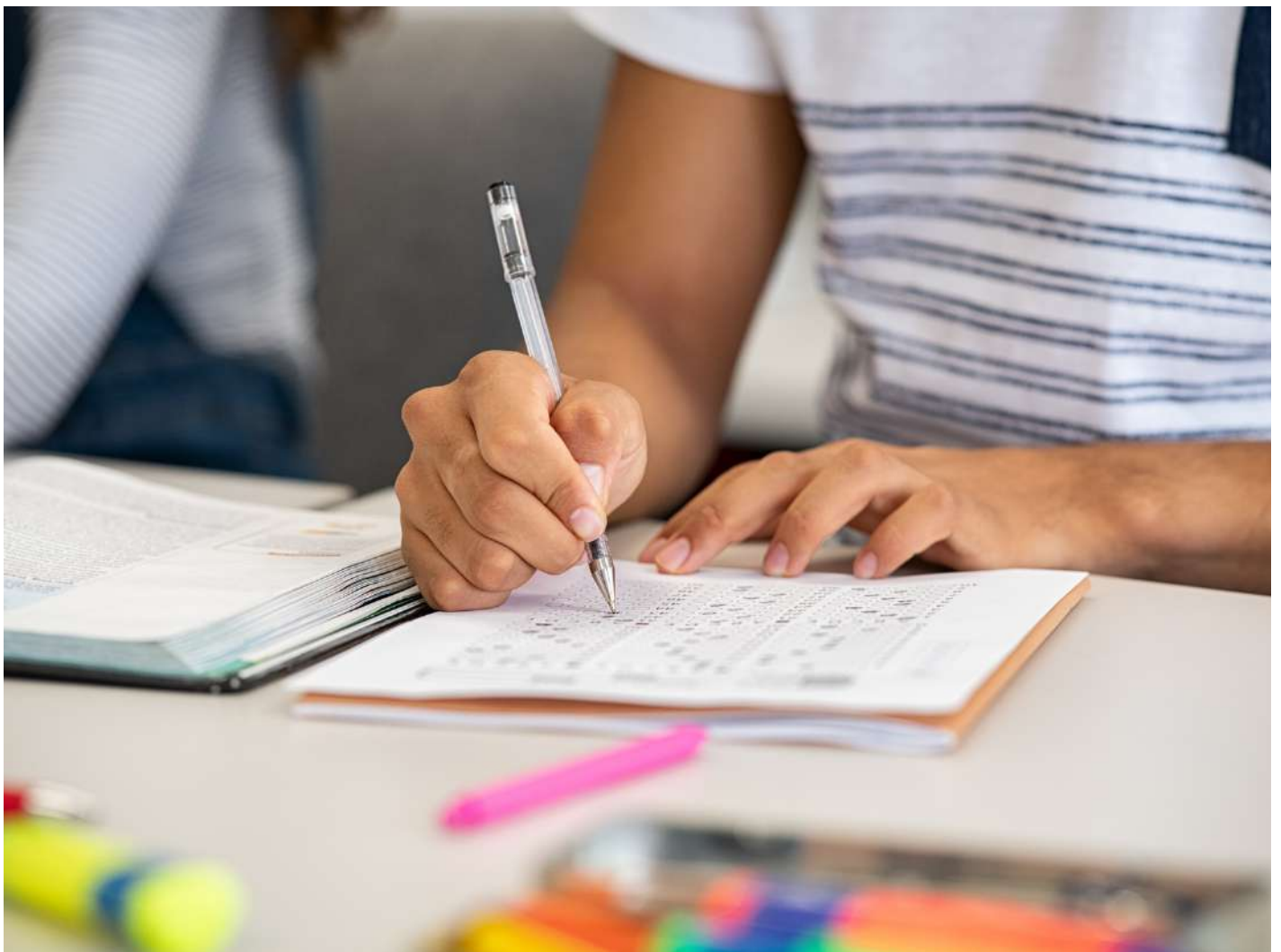
Whether it's the **OC Exam, Selective High School Placement Test, private school scholarships, high stakes exam, a national examination, or any other exams and assessments**, North Shore students have attributed their academic success to our expert tuition, refined through 30+ years of experience. **Enrol now** for #Tuition That Works!

IS YOUR CHILD PREPARING FOR A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST?

SITTING THE SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST IN 2023/2024

The 2023 NSW Selective High School Placement Test is not far away! 🧑🏫

🔍 Learn more about our [\[Exam Preparation Program\]](#), designed to help you increase your scores without any gimmicks. [Speak to our Campus Directors](#) for further information.





MOCK EXAM FOR Y3-5

North Shore Coaching College is the Authorised Testing Centre for AMC, CAT, SEAMO and more!



SWAT 2023

MOCK EXAMINATION EXPERIENCE

Attention NSW Parents: We are very excited to announce that **SWAT 2023** will be held on **Saturday 1 July 2023!**

The Selective Written Assessment Test (SWAT) provides students in Years 3-5 a mock exam experience to prepare for the OC Placement Test, the Selective High School Placement Test and Scholarships examinations. This comprehensive exam experience will be held across several North Shore Coaching College venues in NSW. Visit our website today to register and secure your spot for **SWAT 2023!**

What do Parents say about North Shore...

"I am writing this letter to express how grateful I am for you teaching me many skills in English. I have learnt so many rules in the English language, because of you so thank you."

My grades got exceedingly better over the terms. I got A's instead of B's and I got many questions right in my reading comprehension, I learnt similes and idioms like, when your envious, you turn green. I'm outrageously grateful that you were my English teacher throughout the years that you taught me."

- Lucy, 2022

"I wrote this email just wish to thank your school for helping my son's learning in North Shore Coaching."

He has just been awarded full scholar of six years by his first priority favourite private school in North Sydney, a good result for him so he also wishes to express his thanks to the teacher in your school, they helped him a lot in Math and Writing during his year 4 and year 5."

- Alex, 2022

Feedback:



- ★ Are you having a great experience at North Shore?
- ★ Do you have an exceptional teacher?
- ★ Has one of our campus directors or staff provided superior customer service?
- ★ Can we improve on our service delivery?

We would love to hear your feedback at: feedback@north-shore.com.au or provide us with a Google Review.





FREE Online Homework Support

The following **FREE** Student Support are also offered to complement the learning of North Shore Students: (Please check with each campus for the latest schedule).

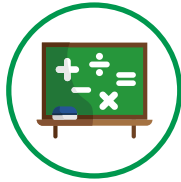
- **Primary Homework Online Help Support**

Students from Year 3 to 5 who need extra help with their North Shore Maths and Thinking Skills work can access guided videos on how to complete their homework. Accessible via the Student Area on the North Shore website.

- **Primary Homework Help Live Chat Support**

Students from Kindy to Year 6 who need extra help with their North Shore Maths and Thinking Skills work. Accessible via the Student Area on the North Shore website.

Homework Help Live Chat Support is available Thursday & Friday 4-6 pm, Saturday 2-5 pm (EST).



Arithmetic Practice

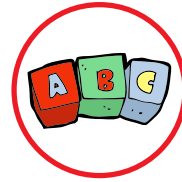
- For Year 1 - 6 students.
- Suitable for students needing additional practice in arithmetic calculations.



FREE Test Paper Online Review

Available for students enrolled in **Opportunity Class Trial Test, Selective School and Scholarship Exam Preparation Programs**, and/or **Mock Exam** (within 2 weeks after course has ended).

www.north-shore.com.au/events/test-review-chatswood



Spell Assist

- For Year 3 - 6 students.
- Students can click on their weekly spelling list to hear the correct pronunciation of each word and how to correctly use each word in a sentence.



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Login to your student portal for further support.

BACK TO SCHOOL VOUCHERS

Accepted In Store & Online

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Learn how to redeem [here](#).

Exam paper practice (NAPLAN, ICAS, AMC, SEAMO, selective school, scholarship tests and more), books and education resources available for purchase!

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North Shore Coaching College is an **approved activity provider** for the NSW Government's Creative Kids \$100 voucher - making it easier for school-aged kids (4.5 to 18 years old) to get involved in creative and cultural activities. Parents, guardians and carers can claim a \$100 voucher per year to put towards the cost of lessons and fees with registered providers. It's a great opportunity to let kids find their passion and learn new skills. Vouchers can be used to contribute to registration, participation and tuition costs for a range of our 'Term Programs' and 'Holiday Programs' at North Shore Coaching College. Ask your Campus Director today and enrol your child into our creative writing, drama and public speaking courses and other creative and cultural activities!