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Welcome back to Term 3 2023 to all our students, parents and educators of the North Shore community.

It was lovely to see many new (and of course our existing) students participate in our annual SWAT Mock Exam (Selective Written Assessment Test) across Sydney in the Winter holidays. We hope that our candidates had a good exam experience and we look forward to seeing you all at



Mr Anson MAK

our North Shore campuses and being part of your learning journey. In our over 30 years of educational experience, we have found that practising sitting an examination in a test environment reduces test anxiety and improves performance when it comes to the 'real deal'.

Congratulations to our 60 scholarship winners! For students sitting the upcoming OC Placement Test, we wish you the best of luck on exam day on Thursday 27 July 2023.

Whilst our students are studying hard at North Shore, it is important to maintain an all-rounded balanced lifestyle that combines intellectual, emotional, and physical health through a diverse spectrum of activities. Whilst studying is important, you should also strive to maintain a good balance of exercise, save time to read, enjoy hobbies, talk to friends and family, and the list can go on. Ultimately though, an all-rounded child is nurtured with critical thinking, problem-solving, teamwork, creativity, and more, so that they will be better prepared for the challenges which will confront our next generation.

Our charity organisation - North Shore Coaching College Charity Foundation in memory of Mrs Demi Mak has recently supported Ardoch's Broadening Horizons program which aims to expose children and young people to a range of unique and engaging learning and life experiences. The experiences inspire students by exposing them to the world of opportunity around



them and pathways beyond school. Ardoch is a children's education charity focused on improving educational outcomes for children and young people in communities facing disadvantage.

Thank you for your ongoing support of North Shore Coaching College! It is always a privilege to be part of your child's learning journey.

When I Grow Up

MR TONY HANLON

National Deputy Principal

I love to ask students what they want to be when they grow up. The responses never fail to fascinate whilst giving an insight into how they envisage the world and their place in it.

Regardless of the age of the student, there are the perennial favourite responses - doctor, lawyer, police officer, actor, firefighter. There are those who are attracted by the romantic notions of adventure or excitement. Others who choose a life of service to the community. Some see themselves in finance or medicine.

More recently, students are nominating careers as social media influencers, cyber-security specialists or AI creators. And there are those who want to be a 'dunno' when they grow up... their answer to the question is 'don't know'.



Some students change their minds regularly and others decide upon a career at a tender age and stick to it. It can be hard to know where your child's latest career preference lies.

You have the busiest job ever created: that of being a parent. It is hard enough keeping track of homework, lost jumpers and water bottles, uniforms for soccer or ballet - let alone having time to ask your child what they want to be when they grow up.

However, next time you are stuck in traffic take the time to pose the question. Listen to the justification for their choice. It will tell you a lot about how they see the world and their place in it. One seven-year-old told me he wanted to be a policeman because he could yell at people and he wouldn't get in trouble from his mum!

The discussion you have with your child might even remind you of what you wanted to be when you were their age.

So what is 'Growing up'?



What is it we are really saying when we tell someone to 'grow up'? It is never said in a positive tone. It can often be uttered in a loud or aggressive manner. It never results in the other person feeling uplifted or validated. While it may be true that the person's actions are inappropriate, there is, surely, a more effective way to address the behaviour without uttering the two words that bring us to a standstill.

Those two simple words convey a blunt message: what you are doing is entirely inappropriate. It is wrong.

A child can be left with the idea that 'growing up' is when joy leaves life; the laughter, the running, and the belief in the impossible must somehow be admonished and left in the past. As if the spark must be extinguished. It makes being an adult sound very dull.

Unfortunately dull adults make poor role models and uninspiring teachers.

I believe the best teachers never fully grow up.

Don't get me wrong - I do not mean that they are immature, unreliable or irrational. I mean they retain a spark of child-like innocence and belief that just maybe there is still time to realise ambition - to live the dreams of youth. They bring energy to the classroom that keeps students engaged and wanting to learn. No mean feat in an age where students are bombarded with audio and visual stimuli.

Whether they are in a Year One English or Year 12 Physics class, students need someone with that inner spark to guide them on their learning journey. To be a memorable role model. To make them believe and trust in what is being taught.

No doubt your child has told you the names of teachers they liked. Reflecting on the nature of this group of teachers, do you recognise them to be the type of people who have kept their 'spark' alive?



I remember the teachers who kept the spark alive from my own time as a primary and high school student. They were interesting people, sometimes quirky and sometimes unconventional. They were definitely positive influences on my developing psyche.

In the mad rush of our daily lives as adults, we no longer consider the questions we may be afraid to ask ourselves. We don't ask because we may be afraid of the answers more so than the questions.

Am I doing what I wanted to do now that I am 'grown up'?



Have I lost the belief that I can still achieve these goals?

Okay, maybe we can rule out 'astronaut' 'world champion skateboarder' at this stage - doing the school run is tricky from the international space station and it is hard to prepare the kids' lunches if you are on a board in a half pipe. However, don't we owe it to ourselves to see what changes we can bring into our own lives to live at least part of our childhood dreams?

Don't you owe it to your child to let them see you live your best life?

We can easily come up with a long list of why we can't follow our true career passion: it's too late, I don't have the time, I'm too old to go back to study, I have too much to do just looking after the family, etc, etc. There may be obstacles and it may take longer than we planned but it's never too late to bring our dreams to reality. It could be the key to a more fulfilling life allowing us to further enrich the lives of those we love.

So maybe there is something to be said for never fully growing up if it means we retain our faith in possibilities. That we retain a spark of innocence in a very jaded, cynical world. That we get a chance to be the person we were truly meant to be. That we get to show our children that it is never too late to achieve our goals and there is more to life than merely 'growing up'.

FOR ANY ENQUIRY, PLEASE Call us on 9415 1860, or Speak to our Campus Director

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EXAM PREPARATION



Our <u>Exam Preparation Programs</u> 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!

Good Luck To All Our Y4 Students

As the NSW Opportunity Class Placement Test is fast approaching, North Shore Coaching College wishes you the very best of luck! No matter what happens, know that you can always find a way to achieve your dreams.

It's never too early or too late for primary school students to start preparing for exams! North Shore Coaching College equips our students with the knowledge, skills & confidence to achieve their academic goals.

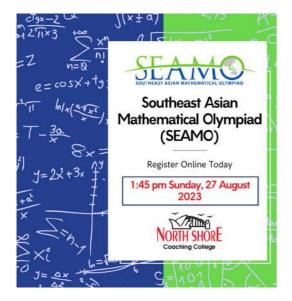


SCHOOL **SUCESS** Fastcoach Program - Year 7-10 HSC Success - Year 11 - 12 **Future Writers** Future Mathematicians Year 7 - 12 English Maths **Physics** We Equip Our Students With The Knowledge, Chemistry Skills & Confidence To Achieve Their HSC Goals. And More...

- **English**
- Maths
- Science
- **Physics**
- Chemistry
- And More...

REGISTRATION FOR SEAMO

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



This Mathematical Olympiad is a unique assessment platform developing and testing the highest levels of creative thinking and logical reasoning.

SEAMO is open to students aged from 7 to 18 years old.

North Shore Coaching College is offering the competition online. Students completing the competition online will be remotely supervised. Register now.

See what North Shore has for <u>exam preparation programs!</u> Or purchase <u>SEAMO past papers</u> to assist your child to prepare for the exam.

2023 SWAT MOCK EXAM SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS







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Congratulations to the 60 students who have been awarded scholarships to study at North Shore Coaching College!

Aiden L.	Aili Z.	Alaz S.	Albert X.	Alvin S.	Andrew B.
Michael X.	Austin X.	Bossco F.	Bruce Y.	Caitlyn M.	Aaron T.
Christopher G.	Cody J.	Cooper L.	Eddy T.	Ella W.	Ellie C.
Emin H.	Eric L.	Ethan W.	Ethan W.	Felix Y.	Gabriel M.
Harvey X.	Ivy W.	Jacob N.	Jake E.	Janiece G.	Jared R.
Jiesi L.	Joel R.	Kei S.	Ko-Chen C.	Lucas Z.	Marcus C.
Marcus P.	Max O.	Maxwell M.	Mia W.	Michael Y.	Nehan S.
Nishanth M.	Ojas D.	Oscar H.	Oscar W.	Qiyuan T.	Quoc Vu P.
Ryan L.	Ryan Z.	Sai Pranav M.	Sasha G.	Skyler P.	Sophia Z.
Stepahnie Z.	Tony J.	Tristan S.	Yolanda D.	Zachariah S.	Zilin C.



NORTH SHORE COACHING COLLEGE CHARITY FOUNDATION

North Shore Coaching College Charity Foundation in Memory of Mrs Demi Mak was formed in 2020 to continue Mrs Mak's philanthropic legacy, generous heart and desire to make a difference in the education space.

ARDOCH'S BROADENING HORIZONS - SUPPORTING EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL

North Shore Coaching College Charity Foundation in Memory of Mrs Demi Mak, was delighted to recently support the <u>Ardoch's Broadening Horizons</u> programs.

Ardoch's Broadening Horizons programs provide meaningful educational experiences that promote learning and engagement. The experiences inspire students by exposing them to the world of opportunity around them and pathways beyond school.

Activities in the categories of Culture, Social Wellbeing, STEM experiences and *Pathways Beyond School* enhance the curriculum and support positive learning outcomes.

Further information on the work of Ardoch's Broadening Horizons programs can be found here.





Login to your student portal for further 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 homework 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
 Available for students from Kindy to Year 6 who need
 extra help with their North Shore homework. 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).



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



Available for students enrolled in **Opportunity Class Trial Test**, **Selective School and Scholarship Exam Preparation Programs**.



- 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.



- Extra Homework for Year 3- 6 students.
- Quiz for Year 1 10 students.
- Suitable for students wanting an extra challenge; each week an interesting quiz is made available online via Student Area.



Road Safety

Parking Restrictions

A reminder to parents to observe any parking restrictions in place outside your North Shore Campus. The police regularly patrol the area to enforce the restrictions and may issue large fines.

In the interest of the safety of our students, please be mindful of the parking signage. Pulling up outside of the Campus to drop off or pick up your child will most likely be a breach of the parking restrictions.



Crossing the Road

Please use the pedestrian crossings if you need to cross the road.







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What do Parents say about North Shore...

After doing some research for selective coaching for my son, I came across Northshore. I have been very impressed with the teachers' dedication and passion for teaching. This motivates the kids too. Highly recommended to parents who is not looking for just a coaching center but some extra. We are very happy!

- Gavathri,2023

Very professional staff and teachers. My children found it difficult at the beginning but then got used to it and now they are at their best academically.

- BHS, 2023

Feedback:



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

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

