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**MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL MANAGING
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GREETINGS FROM ANSON MAK

I cannot believe we are nearing the end of Term 1 2021. We thank you for your continuing support.

We continue to see ongoing changes with the NSW Selective School scoring methodology and looking forward we expect further announcements to be made by the Department of Education regarding the Opportunity Class (OC) test for entry to Year 5 in 2022. Concurrently, we have been and will continue to review our learning materials to ensure our students are well prepared for school and upcoming exams. Recently, I had the opportunity to conduct some educational seminars to talk about some relevant educational developments. Should you have any other questions regarding your child's education or path looking forward, please speak with one of our friendly staff.

We continue to offer a range of reputable Competitions and Assessments which we strongly encourage our students to participate in, which continue to enrich and complement students' learning at the College. Looking forward in 2021, you can enrol in the Australian Mathematics Competition and ICAS Assessments. In 2020, we were proud to obtain 27 of the 168 ICAS medals awarded in New South Wales and even a greater number of medalists Australia-wide.

Our Autumn holiday and Term 2 programs are now available and there is an exciting range of courses for students from 3 – 18 years old. Speak to your Campus Director or call us for further details.

May I also remind our students, parents and staff to be careful when attending and leaving our campuses, to observe local traffic conditions, and cross the road at traffic lights or designated crossings wherever possible.

Stay safe, healthy and happy! Wishing you and your families a very lovely Easter.



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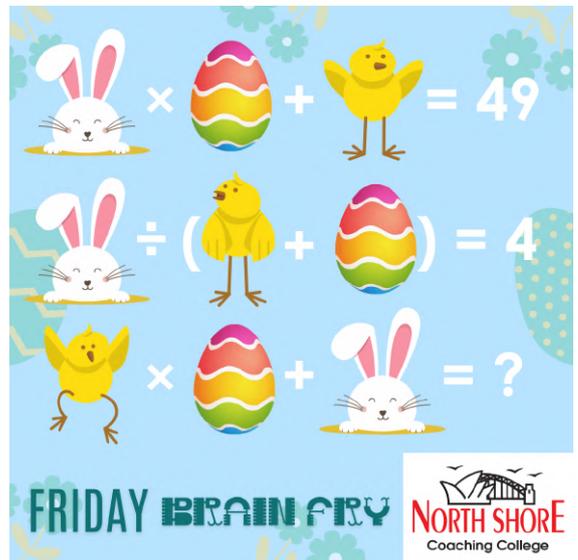
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From Art & Craft to Effective Grammar & Creative Writing and Intensive Plus English, Maths & Thinking Skills Program, there's bound to be something to suit your child's interests. Visit our website www.north-shore.com.au to download the April Holiday Program Timetable and Pricing and contact your local Campus Director to enrol today!



TRY OUR EASTER-INSPIRED BRAIN FRY

Scheduled Post for Friday 2 April, 2021.

FOLLOW US @NORTHSHORECOACHINGCOLLEGE ON INSTAGRAM/FACEBOOK/LINKEDIN FOR YOUR WEEKLY DOSE OF 'FRIDAY BRAIN FRYS' & 'TESTIMONIAL TUESDAYS'.

Enjoy the public holiday and try this Easter-themed Good Friday Brain Fry! (All symbols represent positive whole numbers. The three poses represent the same chick and therefore the same numerical value. i.e. What is the lowest value that each symbol can represent?).

Want to train your brain and improve your mathematical reasoning, thinking skills and/or general ability? Join one of our exciting term or holiday programs and/or purchase practice past competition papers and hundreds of other educational resources at northshoreshop.com.au.

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Selective High School Placement Test 2022 - Early Preparation is the Key to Success

ARTICLE FROM OUR NATIONAL DEPUTY PRINCIPAL TONY HANLON

Attending a Selective High School is the dream of many of our students and their parents. Never has it been more challenging to realise this dream.

The following is VITAL information for those students who wish to maximise their success in the 2022 Selective High School Placement Test.

What is the Year 5 Exam Preparation Program?

The Exam Preparation Program (EPP) is a weekly exam program that exactly follows the Selective High School Placement Test questions and format. In doing so it gives your child the best preparation possible to ensure he/she can maximise their performance in this important test. Each week the students experience exam conditions. They learn how to manage their time and encounter a wide range of vital question types and topics. Students are shown how to solve the most challenging questions.

Is it really necessary for Year 5 to start preparing now?

The simple answer is **yes**.

The Selective High School Placement Test is more challenging than ever before. This is due to the inclusion of the Thinking Skills paper that contains concepts that are sophisticated and complex. Students need to be introduced to such concepts for an extended period of time before such concepts can be mastered. **For this reason it is more important than ever to get an early start on preparing for the Selective High School Placement Test.**

How can I ensure my child is well prepared?

Early and consistent preparation is the key to success. There is truth in the old saying that the early bird catches the worm. An early enrolment is the BEST way to ensure maximum development of exam skills as well as deep understandings of the Test content. The skills and knowledge necessary for success in the Test take time to develop - there are no shortcuts.

Is North Shore my best option for such preparation?

We stand on our record. The highest ever results in the Selective High School Placement Test were achieved by a North Shore student.

We are in a continual process of updating our teaching & test materials to ensure your child is well prepared for the challenges of the Selective High School Placement Test in 2022.

North Shore Coaching College offers comprehensive courses and programs for 2022 Selective High School Placement Test preparation. Established since 1991 in Australia with over 30 years of success stories including the highest ever OC & Selective scores achieved by North Shore students, your child's success in the Selective test and beyond is in good hands with North Shore Coaching College. **Contact your [local Campus Director](#) today and enrol your child for [Tuition That Works!](#) | www.north-shore.com.au.**



Friendly Reminder:

**Mobile phones cannot
be used during lessons.**





NORTH SHORE COACHING COLLEGE STUDENTS TOP ICAS MEDAL TALLY IN NSW

EXCERPT FROM THE ORIGINAL ARTICLE PUBLISHED ON 10 MARCH, 2021 ON WWW.NORTH-SHORE.COM.AU/NEWS

NSW has scored more medals than any other Australian State or Territory in one of the largest global academic competitions for school students,

with **27 high-achieving students from North Shore Coaching College topping the tally.**

How did students perform in ICAS 2020? State by state the medal tally was: NSW (168), QLD (123), SA (94), VIC (91), WA (85), TAS (55), NT (9) and ACT (8).

"I congratulate the state's 168 students who received ICAS medals placing them in the top 0.3% of the 2020 world cohort. This is designed to be a very challenging competition and Australian students have excelled," said Amy Barouch, Group Executive – ICAS Assessments at Janison.

"ICAS goes beyond the classroom curriculum and focuses on deep subject knowledge and higher order skills such as critical thinking and problem solving. For academic students, the competition represents challenge and an opportunity to stretch, and for others it is about the fun and resilience of seeing how far you can go.

"Australian students performed remarkably well, demonstrating their resilience amidst a pandemic and also how well placed our students are in terms of global competencies."

At North Shore Coaching College (NSW) which operated as a testing centre for students from nearby schools, 27 students won medals – including one Year 5 student who won medals in both English and Mathematics.

North Shore NSW students were presented with their medals at our Principal Campus in an awards ceremony on Sunday 29 November 2020.

North Shore Coaching College is proud to be an authorised testing centre for these world-class assessments, as well as many other competitions for your child's enrichment as part of our holistic educational offering providing **Tuition That Works!** Visit bit.ly/NS-competitions to view our list of available **Competitions & Assessments.**

CHANGES AFFECTING SELECTIVE SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

ORIGINAL ARTICLE PUBLISHED ON 7 MARCH, 2021 ON WWW.NORTH-SHORE.COM.AU/NEWS

The Department of Education has announced changes to the selection process – in particular, the scoring of the Selective School Placement Test. This will affect students sitting the exam in 2021 and beyond (for entry in Year 7 2022 and beyond).

The following will be the new scoring methodology to determine entry into NSW Selective High School. The changes

	Test Component	Weighted scaled test score
SELECTIVE EXAM SCORE	Reading	25
	Mathematical reasoning	25
	Thinking Skills	35
	Writing	15
SCHOOL SCORE	Moderated School Assessment Score	20
		120

announced are consistent with the Review of Selective School Action Plan announced in December 2018 to optimise the assessment process to accurately identify student's ability, and to ensure mathematical and English ability are correctly weighted. The importance of performing well in the Selective School Placement Test has increased. Should you have any questions, please contact your Campus Director or 02 9415 1860.