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**PRINCIPALS MESSAGE**

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS**
All students who participated at the Swimming Carnival did a great job with many personal best results. Congratulations to the winning house, O’Neil and to Robert who broke 5 school records.

Open Boys 100 metre Freestyle  
Senior Boys 50 metre Freestyle  
Senior Boys 50 metre Backstroke  
Senior Boys 50 metre Butterfly  
Open 200 metre Medley Boys

**DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL**
The District Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 5 March 2013. Notes to the competitors will be sent out shortly.

**PSSA SPORT**
Season 1 – Netball and Boys Touch football begins next Friday, 1 March 2013.

**NRL VISIT**
Last week members from the NRL visited the school to speak to the students about anti bullying. The students were very excited to meet the players and the afternoon was very successful.

**SPEECH PATHOLOGIST**
Our school is employing a Speech Pathologist throughout terms 1 & 2 in 2013.

Rebecca Price is a qualified Speech Pathologist who works for Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services. Rebecca will be working at our school each Tuesday throughout terms 1 & 2 this year. All classes from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be involved in the program. The aim of the program is to support the language and literacy skills of the students.

Parents, it is important to note that you cannot refer your child directly to Rebecca. If your child already attends Speech Pathology outside of school do not stop attending. The Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services - Speech Therapy program cannot offer the same individualised therapy your child will receive through either Community Health or Private Speech Therapy.

Rebecca will also be conducting screenings and some full assessments at our school. You will receive written information if your child requires a full assessment or is required to be withdrawn from class for small group lessons.
Rebecca is very excited to start working with us at Tower Street Public School and we are looking forward to the year ahead.

HARMONY DAY/GRANDPARENTS DAY
We will be celebrating on Thursday, 4 April 2013. Keep the day free to help us celebrate. Details of the day will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

Barbara Hornung
Principal

Stage Three explored the cultural heritage of Panania on Tuesday. We discovered family businesses and community services that opened over 50 years ago. We were interested to interview members of the community and listen to their accounts of how our local area had changed.

Thank you to Mrs Omeros, Mrs Boviatsis and Mrs Mc Leod for helping on the day.

Mrs Judge and Mrs Beshara

FUNDRAISING NEWS
Welcome back to our first fund raising news for 2013.

On Saturday, 16 March we will be holding a Fund Raising BBQ at Revesby Woolworths. On the day we will be looking for volunteers who can assist for an hour time slot which is convenient for them. We will be there from 7:30am till late afternoon.

If you are interested in helping out please complete the form below and return to the office or alternatively email Donia Zillmann on doniazillmann@hotmail.com.

Thank you and we look forward to a great year of raising funds for the school.

Fundrasing Committee

Woolworths BBQ Volunteer
Saturday, 16 March 2013

Name: ___________________________________

Time that is suitable for an hour: _____________

_________________________________________

Mobile Number: ___________________________
Year 7 2014 Open Night

Our Year 7, 2014 Open Night will be held on Tuesday, 5 March 2013. This year the starting time will be earlier than in previous years and will start at 6:30pm.

Historically, families that attend this night develop a better understanding of the school and the processes involved in applying for enrolment at the school.

HipHop Kids

The award winning HipHop Kids program is starting at our school in Term 1, 2013. The program is running on Wednesday afternoons in the school hall at the following times:
- Hippers (Ages 5-8) = 3:30 – 4:10pm
- Hoppers (Ages 9-13) = 4:20 – 5:00pm
Cost = $8 per lesson (Family discounts available)

HipHop Kids is an exciting fusion of modern music and hip hop moves that’s all about fun and participation. Who knows… we may help create the next Justice crew!


There are limited spaces available in each class so bookings are essential. Payment is not required until the program starts in Term 1, 2013. Book online or call 1300 656 695.
If you have any questions or would just like to chat about Hip Hops Schools please contact me via:
Direct: 02 8203 5824
Email: amanda@hiphopschools.com.au
Fax: 1300 858 296

Electronic Waste Recycling Collection Day

Date: February 23
Time: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Time Details: Please note there is strictly no queuing on or around the site before 8:30am
Address: Bankstown Paceway
Eldridge Road
Condell Park 2200

REVESBY CRAFT FAIR

Stallholder Sale Day!!!
*Live Entertainment
*Delicious Food * Plants
*Fabulous Crafts

Saturday 23rd Feb.2013
9am-3pm

Where: Abel Reserve Revesby
Alongside Revesby Rail Station
Contact: Sandra McDonald
9605 7924 /0408 633 181
Em:sandrariek@bigpond.com
www.revesbycraftfair.com

MindQuest

ST GEORGE GIRLS HS
VICTORIA ST KOGARAH

On Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 April 2013 the 68th NSW Talent Enrichment Weekend MindQuest will be held for primary students from Years 1-6 at St George Girls HS. These include gifted and talented students, gifted underachievers and students with above average ability with a special interest. Students will have an opportunity to participate in over 38 exciting, fast paced courses in the two day program. They include courses in chemistry, earth sciences, drama, lego robotics, art and much, much more. Many of these highly successful courses have been run in the past and students’ evaluations suggest that they have been challenged and enriched by the experience. The cost of the weekend is $170 (including GST).

Contact your school for a brochure or Shelagh Poray 02 4232 2494
Closing Date: Friday 8 March 2013
Give your child a head start in money matters

Tower Street Public School is taking part in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program beginning Monday, 11 March. It's a great way to give your child a financial head start by helping them to learn about good money management and the importance of saving.

What is School Banking?
School Banking is a program designed to help your child develop strong financial literacy skills for the future. With the help of the School Banking Co-ordinator, kids can start saving regularly through the school.

Encouraging good savings habits
School Banking gives children hands-on experience at handling money and seeing it grow. The program helps them develop the knowledge, independence and confidence they need to manage their finances successfully as they get older.

Earning fun rewards
Every time your child makes a deposit through the School Banking program, regardless of how much, they receive a cool Dolarmites token. Once they have saved enough tokens, they can swap them for Dolarmites rewards.

What's involved?
- In order to participate in the School Banking program your child will need a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. If your child already has a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver Account (see below) they don’t need to open a new account and can participate from the first day of school banking on Monday, 11 March.

Account Opening Day

If your child doesn’t have a Youthsaver Account and you would like them to participate in the School Banking program, there will be a representative from the Commonwealth Bank at school on Monday, 4 March between 8.30 – 9.00am and 2.30 – 3.00pm to open accounts and answer any questions you may have.

Please Note: If you are unable to attend the account opening at school on 4 March, you can still open an account at any Commonwealth Bank branch, no forms to fill in! Remember to take identification for you and your child (eg. Drivers Licence and Birth Certificate). You will receive the deposit book and wallet straight away and your child can start school banking from Monday, 11 March.

Alternatively, if you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer with access to NetBank, you can apply online.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. The school receives $5 when children make their first deposit at school and a commission on every deposit made through the School Banking program.