TEXTBOOKS AND CHAIRBAGS
Thank you to the many parents who have paid for their child’s textbook and school contributions. Please pay for your child’s textbook by Monday, 18 February as it helps if everyone has the textbook.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL
On Tuesday we all enjoyed a great day at Revesby Pool. Congratulations to all the students who participated and tried their best. Well done.

Thank you to the parents who attended and to the many helpers. Sincere thanks to Mrs Alcock and Mrs Johnston for their organisation of the day.

WHAT’S ON THIS YEAR AT TOWER ST
The list below is what we have planned so far and costs are approximate as bus charges and venue costs can change. Please be aware that there could be changes.

Term 1
School Contribution, textbooks, chairbags and fees
PSSA – all costs are for bus fares and contribution to yearly PSSA fee:
 Netball and Boys Touch Football $60.00
 Cricket Clinic-Years 3-6-$12.00
 School Swimming Carnival-$9.50
 District Swimming Carnival -$15.00
 Swim School Years 2-6 -$27.00
 Stage 2 - Excursion to State Library- no cost
 Stage 3 - Excursion to Canberra-$45.00 (date pending-could be term 2)
 Dance - $70.00. The cost includes bus fares, workshops and costumes. There will also be an additional cost of tickets for parents.

COMING EVENTS

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE
Scripture will start on Wednesday, 20 February 2013. If at any time during the year you want your child to change/or stop attending scripture lessons you will need to put it in writing to your child’s teacher.

P&C
It was great to see so many parents attending the P&C meeting last week. The next meeting on Wednesday, 6 March will be the AGM.

AWARDS
Just a reminder about our Awards. When a student has either 4 bronze, 4 silver or 2 gold awards they need to put their awards in the box in the office. Gold and Platinum awards are given out at Assembly each Friday. Awards can only be used once.

The awards are as follows:
4 bronze = 1 silver; 4 silver = 1 gold; 2 gold = 1 platinum medallion.
All awards roll over into the following year.

SIGNS
Thank you to Mr Fulton for the new signs around the school. They look great. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.
Choir - $50.00. The cost includes registration and train fares. There will also be an additional cost of tickets for parents.

**Term 2**
- PSSA - Girls and Boys Soccer-$60.00
- Gymnastics K-6 - $20.00
- Stage 2 - Excursion - $30.00
  - (venue not confirmed as yet)
- Drama - $30.00. Workshop and buses. There will also be an additional cost of tickets for parents.
- District Cross Country Carnival - $15.00
- Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 - Excursion to the Environmental Centre - $20.00

**Term 3**
- PSSA-Cricket and Girls touch Football-$60.00
- Stage 2 –Excursion - $30.00
- District Athletics Carnival - $15.00
- Early Stage 1 Farm Excursion - $25.00
- Stage 1 – Excursion - $25.00
- Stages 2,3 - Floorball - $15.00
- Stage 3 Camp - $220.00

**Term 4**
- K-2 –Swim School - $65.00
- Stage 3 Schools Spectacular - $30.00
- Year 6 excursion - $20.00

Barbara Hornung
Principal

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**Picnic Point High School**

**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.

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**Campbelltown Performing Arts High School**

**Beverley Road, Campbelltown**

**Year 7—2014 Information Evening**

13 February, 2013
6pm

Parents and students are welcome to attend an evening that will provide an opportunity for prospective students & families to meet key personnel; develop an understanding of the school’s priorities, programs and subjects; tour the school’s state-of-the-art facilities; and gain information about the enrolment and audition process.

Auditions for 2014 will be held on 11th, 12th & 13th March 2013
Application forms will be available on this evening or on our website www.cpaht.nsw.edu.au

Auditions applications close 18th February 2013
**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 hiphop 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

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**ALL STARS BATON TWIRLERS**

**Come and Try ‘BATON TWIRLING’**

- **Who**  Boys & Girls from 4 years up
- **Where**  East Hills Girls Technology HS Gym
- **When**  Saturday mornings 9am to 11am
- **Bookings**  Please call Roselyne on 0408834999 or Julie 97741475 to enquire or make a booking.

**Cost**  For February - Cost is $0.00 Free!!

**More info**  To enquire more about this artistic & challenging sport, call Roz or Julie or visit our website [www.allstarsbatontwirlers.com.au](http://www.allstarsbatontwirlers.com.au)

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**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

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**Sandra Ward Dancers**

**Ballet**  **Tap**  **Jazz**

Students trained to professional standard for stage and performance.

Examinations available.
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

South West Sydney Triple P Support and Development Project invites

mothers, fathers and grandparents to a
Triple P Seminar
(Positive Parenting Program)

Presented by
Elizabeth Carrington
Accredited Triple P Trainer
Early Childhood Teacher
Fairfield City Council

Triple P is a parenting program for all families that provides practical answers to everyday parenting concerns. All parents with children aged up to 12 years can attend, however this program is most effective with children aged 3-8 years.

This one session seminar will provide an overview of the principles of positive parenting.

Seminar topics:
- creating a safe, interesting and positive learning environment
- using assertive discipline
- having realistic expectations
- taking care of yourself as a parent

Bookings are essential and places are limited. Please call 0407 708 626 to book your place.

DATE: Friday 15th March 2013
TIME: 10.00am - 12.00 noon
PLACE: Whitlam Library
Railway Parade
Cabramatta

CHILD MINDING is not available for this course. Please make alternative arrangements.

South West Sydney Triple P Support and Development Project is funded by Family and Community Services - Community Services and sponsored by Fairfield City Council.

2013 Bankstown Recreation Expo

Bankstown Recreation Expo is celebrating its 5 year anniversary this year and YOU are invited!

Council’s annual Recreation Expo is taking place at Carysfield Reserve, off Johnston Road, Bass Hill on Saturday 9 March from 2.00pm - 6.00pm and you won’t want to miss it!

The Recreation Expo brings the Bankstown community together with many of the local sports clubs and recreation organisations in attendance on the day. If your New Years resolution is to get active, this is your chance to try out a host of recreation and leisure activities, whilst enjoying the festive atmosphere of the Expo. Best of all, the event is FREE to attend, and everyone is encouraged to join in!