DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL
The District Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 4 March 2014. Notes to the competitors were sent out on Tuesday.

PSSA SPORT
Season 1 –Netball and Boys Touch football begins on Friday, 7 March 2014.

SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL
Recently there have been a number of students who have been arriving at school very early. Supervision in the playground begins at 8:30am. Some students have been at school before 8:00am. Sometimes there are no teachers on site at this time.

The YMCA at Revesby provides before school and after school care for students whose parents work. Please contact them on phone: 9771 6033 or email: admin.bankstown@ymca.org.au.

TOWER STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL WEBSITE
For your information and convenience all notes which are sent home will now be available on the school’s website. If you’ve missed receiving or have lost a note you are now able to download it.


SCHOOL GATES
A reminder to all parents not to enter or leave the school grounds using the car entrance on Tower St.

Signs on the gate have been attached to remind parents not to enter or leave the school using the driveway. The car entrance is often used by staff, Department of Education personnel and deliveries are often made to the school, so to ensure your and your child’s safety we appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Parents and carers are asked to only use the back gate or the pedestrian gate at the front of the school.

The back gate of the school leading to Hodgkinson Cres will be locked from 9.30am till 2.30pm each day. If you need to access the school between these times please use the front pedestrian gate on Tower Street.

REMOVING HEAD LICE AND NITS
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.

PARLIAMENT
We held the Opening of Parliament last Friday. The students did an excellent job.

WELCOME TO TOWER STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL PARLIAMENT
Our School Parliament consists of Herley, the Governor General, and Ella who is our Prime Minister. Together they will report all matters of Parliament to the Queen. (Mrs Hornung)

All Year 5 & 6 students are our House of Representatives. We have formed ministries for arts, community services, environment, executive, sport, school publicity and technology.

Madam Speaker is Hayley, our Clerk is Kinjal and our Seargent at Arms is Joshua.

There were two bills discussed and passed. We will be having our Clean Up Australia Day activity on Friday 28 February 2014. Students can bring gloves to help them with the clean up. A Bandaged Bear Breakfast was the second bill passed. This will occur on Thursday 20 March. More information about this will be sent home soon.

CHICKEN POX
There have been a few cases of students, who attend our school, having chicken pox. Please be mindful of this if your child is complaining of not feeling well and develops a rash.

What are the symptoms?
• Chickenpox begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash.
• The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.
• The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development.
• Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus.
• Most people recover without complications.

THANK YOU
Sincere thanks to Mr and Mrs Bryce for organising three students from Tower St Public School to be involved in an activity promoting the Royal Easter Show. Joshua, Samantha and Charlotte participated in the packing and distribution of newly born chicks to be sent out to eighty different high schools. Students in these schools will rear the chicks and return them to the Show for judging.

Our students mentioned that they received many compliments about our uniform. Hopefully we’ll see Joshua, Samantha and Charlotte on the Show’s website.

REMINDER-EMAIL ADDRESSES
To assist in the distribution of the electronic copy of Tower Talk we ask that parents and carers please provide the school with an updated email address so the school can include you in our distribution list.
You can update the school with your email address via the school admin email – towerst-p.admin@det.nsw.edu.au

Barbara Hornung
Principal
Coffee & Chat – 2:30pm every Thursday in the Community Room

Want to meet more parents? Just love Coffee? Come a little early for pickup on Thursdays and have a chat, out of the weather, with free tea or coffee in the Air Conditioned Community Room.

SCHOOL BANKING
Just a reminder that school banking is starting tomorrow for anyone with a Dollarmites account.

New accounts can be opened Monday 3 March, 8.30am – 9.30am at school.

P&C AGM
The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 3 March 2014, followed by the P&C meeting. Please come along to the school library at 7.00pm and share your ideas.

UNIFORM SHOP
I have only just noticed that there has been an issue with the sizing of some of the uniforms.

I have had people from the uniform company out to rectify the problem and hopefully it should be sorted by next week.

If anyone has an issue please bring the uniform and see me please.

Anna
Reading at home with your child

Dear Parents and Service Providers,

Learning Links is running a free parent workshop on ‘reading at home with your child’ at Penshurst. The workshop is suitable for parents and carers of children in lower primary school who reside in the St George and Sutherland Shire. This workshop has been funded by the Department of Education and Communities.

Reading at home is important to help children develop their skills and confidence. Sometimes parents lack the confidence to help their child read at home. This workshop is for parents of children in lower primary school who would like strategies in how to approach reading with their child at home.

This workshop is delivered by a Learning Links Psychologist

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