Welcome back. I hope everyone had a great holiday relaxing and catching up with family and friends. We are all looking forward to another great year at Tower Street Public School.

Welcome to our new students and our Kindergarten students. I hope you have a wonderful time at our school.

### STAFF FOR 2015

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### COMING EVENTS

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### PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Our school swimming carnival will be held at Revesby Pool on Wednesday 18 February 2015 for students in Years 3-6. This year’s carnival is a combined carnival with Revesby Public School so bring your best cheering voices to cheer on Tower Street’s Swim Team! A note was sent home last week. Please return it with payment as soon as possible.

### UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open on Wednesday 8.45am-9.15am. Thank you to Mrs Savvas for her continued hard work in the uniform shop.

### LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that you label everything that your child brings to school. Each year there is a large number of items in lost property without labels and therefore cannot be returned to their owners.

### LATE ARRIVALS AND EARLY LEAVERS

Parents please ensure that if your child is late or leaving early, you need to come to the school office.
SCHOOL GATES
Currently the back gate to the school, from Hodgkinson Crescent is locked at 9.30am and open at 2.30pm each day. From this week the front and driveway gates on Tower St will be closed at 9.30am and open at 2.30pm. These gates will not be locked due to deliveries and visitors coming to the school. We ask your cooperation in closing the pedestrian gate when you visit the school during the day.

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.

EMAIL ADDRESSES
This year we are endeavouring to send out all Tower Talks (school newsletter) via email. However, if you wish to receive a paper copy of the newsletter please contact the school office and one will be provided for you.

Tower Talk can also be downloaded from the school’s website.

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

SPORT
School Sport for K-6 will begin this Friday and students will need to wear their sports uniform. If you need to make any uniform purchases, the uniform shop is open Wednesday morning.

SCRIPTURE
Scripture will start on Wednesday, 25 February 2015. 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.
ASSEMBLY
Assembly will be held each Friday at 11.30-12.15 (except when School Parliament is held) in the school hall. Parents are welcome to attend.

P&C
It was great to see so many parents attending the P&C meeting on Monday evening. The next meeting on Monday, 2 March 2015 will be the AGM.

CLASS REQUIREMENTS
Class requirement lists have been sent out previously. Just in case they have been misplaced they are included below.

The following are class requirements for Kindergarten 2015.
• 2 boxes of tissues
• 2 rolls of paper towel
• 2 glue sticks each term
• 2 erasers soft white
• 2 highlighters
• 1 pump soap
• 2 white board markers to be replaced as required
• 1 A4 document folder (home reader)
• 1 A4 scrap book for homework
• 1 A4 scrap book for library
• Pack of 50 sandwich snap lock bags

Please buy better quality brands, particularly glue sticks as cheaper ones dry out very quickly and you will need to replace them more frequently.

Coloured pencils and lead pencils will be supplied by the school.

The following are class requirements for Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2) 2015. It would be great if you could send your child to school with these requirements as soon as possible to prepare them for learning.
• 2 boxes of tissues
• 2 rolls of paper towel
• 4 glue sticks
• 2 erasers soft white
• 2 highlighters
• 1 fine point Sharpie permanent marker
• 1 fine point felt tip black artline pen
• 4 white board markers
• 1 A4 document folder (home reader)
• 1 barrel sharpener
• 5HB pencils
• Scissors
• 1 small pencil case for glue, scissors, lead pencils, rubber and sharpener
• 1 extra pencil case for coloured pencils or wind up crayons and textas.

Please note: liquid paper is banned but the children may bring correction tape if they choose.
WHAT’S HAPPENING AT TOWER STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL THIS YEAR

The list below is what we have planned so far this year and costs are approximate as bus charges and venue costs can change. Please be aware that there could be changes.

There will be class excursions throughout the year at a cost of approximately $30.00.

TERM 1
School Contribution, textbooks and fees
PSSA – all costs are for bus fares and contribution to yearly PSSA fee:
  Netball and Boys Touch Football $60.00
School Swimming Carnival-$8.00
District Swimming Carnival -$15.00
Swim School Years 2-6 -$35.00
Dance – Junior and Senior-$70.00. (plus part of a costume you will need to buy and keep)
The cost includes bus fares, workshops and costumes. There will also be an additional cost of tickets for parents.
Choir - $50.00. The cost includes registration and train fares. There will also be an additional cost of tickets for parents.
Year 6 T-shirt-$33.00

TERM 2
PSSA - Girls and Boys Soccer-$60.00
Triskills Sports program K-6 - $45.00
District Cross Country Carnival - $15.00
Stage 3 Trip to Canberra-$180.00

TERM 3
PSSA- AFL and Girls touch Football-$60.00
District Athletics Carnival - $15.00
Cricket Clinic-Years 3-6-$12.00
Year 6 Funday - $8.00 per student or $14.00 per family

TERM 4
K-2 –Swim School - $65.00
Stage 3 Schools Spectacular - $30.00
Year 6 excursion - $20.00
Stage 3 –Dance to be Fit-$18.00
Performing Arts Night-$5.00 per ticket

Barbara Hornung
Principal

P&C NEWS

Welcome back to all the parents from the Parents and Citizens Association (P&C).

The P&C will be hosting a fete in October this year and are looking for volunteers to join our fete organising committee.

If you think that you can help with the organising or have any great ideas then we would love to hear from you.

Our first committee meeting will be on Thursday 12 February at 2.00pm in the community room. If you can't make it but would still like to be involved please contact Mary Bruce on marybruce77@yahoo.com.au or 0417472284 or Leanne Bayley on leanne.bayley4@gmail.com on 0409254494.

UNIFORM SHOP

Welcome back to all the students and parents. Just a quick reminder of uniform shop information.

OPEN WEDNESDAY MORNINGS – 8.45AM – 9.15AM

- Orders can be dropped off and picked up from the office if that day does not suit.
- There are order forms available online.
- Payments can be made either by cash at the office, in the uniform shop or online at home
- If online payments are made please bring your receipt print out or the receipt number.

Update on stock

- School bags are now in.
- Library bags should arrive in 2-3 weeks
- Size 4 and size 6 sports shirts and shorts will be available from next Wednesday.
- All other sizes are available and in stock.
- Summer tunics are available and in stock for all sizes.

Hope 2015 is great for everyone.

Thank you for supporting the Uniform Shop
**CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS**

We need to ensure your child’s information is correct and update our records. Please complete the form below if any information has changed and return to school as soon as possible.

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