



# Tower Talk

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**Term 2, Week 6**  
**29 May 2023**



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## Coming Events

**1 June**  
**Yr 4 STEM Challenge**

**12 June**  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**13 June**  
**Farm Incursion**

**16th June**  
**Book Club Orders Due**

**16 June**  
**K-6 Assembly**

**26 June**  
**K-2 Symbio Excursion**

## Principals Message

### Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The Week runs from 27 May to 3 June every year. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey – the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision.

Reconciliation Australia's theme for 2023, "Be a voice for generations." For the work of generations past, and the benefit of generations future, let's act now to create a more just, equitable and reconciled country for all.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This week all classes are creating an Acknowledgement to Country poster to pay respect to the Bediagal People of the Dharug nation, the land that we learn and play on at Tower Street PS. These posters will be displayed in classrooms.

We will also be completing a 'Sea of Hearts' in the front section of our school near the Tower Street entrance. All students have decorated a heart which will be placed on display. Community members are invited to decorate a heart and add it to the display, hearts will be available from the front office.

Thank you to Ms Gallagher for coordinating our Aboriginal Education initiatives this year.

## Term Dates

- 12<sup>th</sup> June  
**Public Holiday**

- 30<sup>th</sup> June  
**Last day of term 2**

- 18<sup>th</sup> July  
**First day of Term 3**

- 22<sup>nd</sup> September  
**Last day of Term 3**



# Awards

## Silver

Jihad x4  
Hannah P  
Jacob R  
Mia L  
Mounu

Saja  
Hunter  
Angus B  
Austin D  
Aya

Jake  
Billy  
Tia  
Jude

## Gold

Jihad  
Jayden  
Austin D

## Platinum

## PBL

Each fortnight we have a whole school PBL focus that we address and work on across the school. Classes complete lessons based on the PBL focus and practice the skills in the classroom, playground and at home. We include the fortnightly focus in each edition of Tower Talk so parents and carers can be included in the learning happening at school. Our whole school PBL focus for the fortnight is:

### *'We are resilient'.*



**Garbage Tool** - We don't turn small problems into big problems.

**Breathing tool** - Solving small problems independently

- Using growth mindset when we find something hard
- Using our words to work things out
- Apologising when we have done the wrong thing
- Doing something, even when it's challenging
- Using strategies like "3 before me" in the classroom

Captain Tower is our PBL mascot and he is here to help parents / carers be involved with our PBL focus.

Here are some questions you could ask your child to help them learn and practice our PBL focus this fortnight at home and school!

**What learning goals are you working on?**



**What work challenged you today? Did you keep trying?**

**How can you use a growth mindset to help you work on challenges at home & school?**

## District Cross Country



The Tower Street District Cross Country Team represented the school with pride on Thursday 18 June. Braving the cold to run against the best in our district and successfully make it across the finish line. Mr McCrae and Mrs Kearney were so proud of the team and how they gave it their all. The smell of the sausage sizzle added to the delightful day. Well done team!

Congratulations to Zac for finishing 10<sup>th</sup> in the 8/9 Year old event. Zac is a reserve for the EHPSSA team. Amazing effort Zac!



## PSSA Season 1

Congratulations to our Newcombe ball teams who played their last game of the season at East Hills PS on Friday. We finished the season with two wins!

Our boys touch football teams also had a great season competing in the semi-finals on Friday 19 May.

Thank you to Mr McCrae, Mrs Probert & Mr Probert for coaching our PSSA teams throughout season 1.



### Book Club – LOOP

All Book Club orders are placed using the Scholastic Book Club LOOP App. Students will still bring home the Book Club catalogue, but you will no longer have to fill in the order and return to the school office you will be able to complete the order using the LOOP app from home. All orders must be placed through the LOOP App.

**ORDERS DUE: 16<sup>th</sup> June 202**



### Kindy 2024 enrolments

If you have a child starting school in 2024 now is the time to enrol! You can complete an online enrolment form through our school website or collect an enrolment pack from the school office.

## P&C NEWS

The next P&C meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 21 June in the school library. The P&C are currently surveying the school community regarding the best times to hold P&C meetings. Please complete the short survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2YWQS5C>



The P&C are currently trialling the operation of the school canteen on Mondays for lunch orders and basic counter service. If you are able to assist in the canteen as a volunteer on Mondays please contact the P&C email account:

[towerstpandc@gmail.com](mailto:towerstpandc@gmail.com)

## Student Parliament News

### Fun Food Friday!

Year 6 were extremely busy in the canteen on Friday with huge sales of Zooper Doopers. They will continue to sell Zooper Doopers each Friday for \$1.00, over the next few weeks.



## Community Noticeboard

*"The Rotary Club of Padstow will be holding their Christmas Panania Village Market on Saturday 10th June at the Panania Library Lawn, Anderson Ave, Panania from 9.00am to 1.30pm, There will be around 25 stalls with a great selection of goods available including clothing for babies and children, candles, cushions, DVD's & records, essential oils, handmade crafts, hair accessories, plants ,honey, jewellery, socks and haberdashery items, pet care and pet treats, scents and cosmetics, toys and more! Please come along and visit our market that will be brimming with goodies to buy for that unique Mothers' Day present. Proceeds from the stall hire support our projects both local and international."*

Thank you for your assistance.

Regards  
Ross Smith  
Community Director 2022-2023  
Rotary Club of Padstow Inc.



Stolen Generations Council  
NSW/ACT Inc.



**GANDANGARA**  
Local Aboriginal Land Council

Marumali  
Gandangara Health Services  
Gandangara Transport Services

**BE A VOICE  
FOR VOICE  
GENERATIONS**



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR  
**COMMUNITY  
GATHERING**  
**WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2023**

**When** 11.00am to 2.00pm

**Where** Whitlam Leisure Centre  
90A Memorial Avenue, Liverpool

**RSVP** By Tuesday 17 May 2023  
Phone: (02) 9602 5280  
or email: [reception@glalc.org.au](mailto:reception@glalc.org.au)  
[www.gandangara.org.au](http://www.gandangara.org.au)  
<https://www.facebook.com/Gandangara/>

**Activities**

- Call us to host/sponsor a Pop-up Community Stall
- Smoking Ceremony & Yidaki Performance
- National Reconciliation Week Pledge Signing
- Sign the Pledge to Support Stolen Generation Survivors and their Families
- Panel Discussion - Be a Voice for Generations
- Music (Roz Webb & Charley Boyter duo)
- Hot roast bread rolls, BBQ, fruit, drinks
- Lucky door prizes

FOR OUR ELDERS

**Elmo and the Cookie Monster are out of hibernation, and they are very hungry!**



**Have you found 50 cent coins are too heavy to carry?**

**Do you have 5 cents pieces clogging your purse?**

**Is your silver change weighing your pockets down?**

**Are you unsure of where to put your 10 cents change that is left over from Fun Food Friday?**

**“Donate your loose coins by feeding them to Elmo or the Cookie Monster!”**

The Information, Research and Technology Committee is running a “Feed Elmo and the Cookie Monster” Year 6 fundraiser over term 2 and 3.

A representative from the committee will collect and count coins that have been fed to Elmo or the Cookie Monster, every Friday.

The class who feeds Elmo or the Cookie Monster with the most coins at the end of the Term 3 will receive a fabulous reward. So, please start saving all your loose change for our fundraiser!

Thank you,  
Information, Research and technology Committee.



This week we officially launch Year 6's  
newest fundraiser  
'THE BIRTHDAY BUCKET!!'

Fundraising that helps Year 6 students and you!

## BIRTHDAY BUCKETS!

1x Quelch ice  
block for  
everyone in  
your class.

A birthday  
card from  
your teacher  
and  
classmates.



\$20

A Happy  
Birthday  
balloon and  
sticker for  
you to keep.

A special  
birthday song  
and dance for  
you, performed  
by Year 6

Place your **order at the front office or online a week prior** to your child's birthday for an exciting delivery of a Birthday Bucket to your child's classroom so he/she can celebrate with classmates.

*NOTE: Advance booking is required- last minute orders will not be accepted.*

### Birthday Bucket Order

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birthday Bucket Delivery: \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 cash is enclosed

\$20 payment has been paid online. Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_