



# Tower Talk

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**20 March 2023**



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## Coming Events

### 23 March

Harmony Day/Mufti Day/ Cookie Decorating Stall

### 28 March

School Photos

### 3 April

Parent/Teacher phone Interviews begin

### 6 April

Easter Hat Parade  
Last Day Term 1

### 7 April

Good Friday

## Term Dates

### 6 March

Last Day of Term 1

### 7 April – 25 April

School Holidays

### 26 April

First Day of Term 2

### 20 June

Last Day of Term 2

### 1 July- 17 July

School Holidays

## Principals Message

### Congratulations District Swimming Team

Well done to our District Swimming Team who represented our school at the East Hills District Swimming Carnival. Our swimmers represented our school with pride and displayed outstanding sportsmanship at the carnival. All District Swimmers received a special certificate at our last assembly recognising this special achievement.

A special congratulations to Zain who successfully qualified for the 50m Freestyle Final at the carnival. Well done Zain!

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended on the day to support our swimmers. Thank you also to Mrs Kearney for coordinating our swimming program.



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# Awards

## Silver

Tia  
Emily  
Lawrence  
Jake

## Gold

Cameron  
Lincoln  
Amelia

## Platinum

Anvi

## World's Greatest Shave

Congratulations to Josh, Jake and Edvin who completed the World's Greatest Shave on the weekend. The boys proudly showed off their new hairstyle when they arrived at school this morning! We are so proud of the boys for recognising a cause important to them and doing something about it. Well done Josh, Jake & Edvin!



## Swimming Scheme

Students in Years 2, 3 and 4 commenced Swim Scheme today. Our students will walk down to the pool each morning for the next 10 days to complete this program.

We can't wait to see how much progress our students will make in the next 10 days. Students attending swim scheme can wear sports uniform and sport shoes to school with their swimmers underneath.

The program will continue even in wet weather so if it looks like rain please come prepared with an umbrella.





### Staffing Update

Congratulations to Mrs Michelle Clifford who has successfully gained a permanent School Administrative Officer position at Condell Park Public School through a merit selection process. Mrs Clifford will begin her new role from the beginning of Term 2 so will be finishing at Tower Street PS at the end of Term 1. Mrs Clifford has been a valuable member of our school team both in the SAO and SLSO positions. I know you will join me in congratulating Michelle!

### 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 safe and sensible in the toilets'***

**Personal Space Tool** – We respect private spaces

**Caring tool** – We care about our school

- Reporting unsafe behaviour to the teacher
- Being safe in the toilets
- Keeping hands, feet and other objects to yourself in the toilets
- Not putting things down the toilet that don't belong there
- Remembering the toilets are not a place for playing
- Respecting others privacy
- We are sensible in swim scheme change rooms

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.

**Did you remember to wash your hands after using the toilet?**



**How can you be respectful when using shared spaces?**

**Who can you speak to if you see unsafe behaviour in the toilets?**



## Harmony Day



On **Thursday the 23rd of March**, Tower Street Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day where we promote inclusivity, respect, and empathy within our school. **On this day students can wear orange mufti clothes instead of school uniform.** The day will begin at 8.30am where the library will be open for a Book Fair. We invite you to come and explore our wonderful library and purchase a book or two to enjoy at home with your children.

During class time, students will be participating in a variety of Harmony Day activities with their buddy classes.

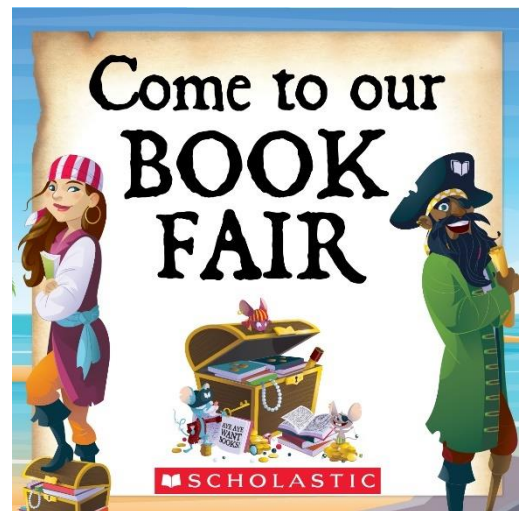
Swim scheme will go ahead as normal. Students participating in swim scheme can wear orange clothes on this day.

## Term 1 Book Fair 2023

You are invited to join us in our school library, for our **Term One Book Fair**, on **Thursday the 23rd of March**, between **8:30 – 9:30am**. Students and their families will have the opportunity to purchase books for themselves or for donation to the school library. EFTPOS will be available.

If you are unable to come at this time, students will be given the opportunity to visit the Book Fair in the morning and we will help them choose a suitable book, just put some money in an envelope. Most books are priced between \$10-\$20.

Tower Street Public School students love reading! The Book Fair is an exciting event that engages children and promotes literacy. There will be books to suit every reading level and interest and it's a fun opportunity for children to see, touch and connect with books they want to read. Every book sold at the Book Fair helps to earn free books for our school.



**We will be doing our book character parade later in the year, in Term 3. Students do not dress up in book character costumes on this day.**



We will be holding our annual Easter Hat Parade and Eggorama on **Thursday 6 April**. Parents and family members will be welcome to join us on this day. Further information will be sent home to families this week.

## Parent/Teacher Phone Interviews

During the last week of Term 1 we will be holding parent/teacher phone interviews. Interviews are conducted via phone and your child's progress will be discussed as well as learning goals for Term 2. We look forward to speaking to all our families and establishing positive home/school partnerships to ensure the best possible outcomes for our students.

In order to book an appointment with your child's classroom teacher, please log into the following website:

[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

Enter the code: **4xqba** and select your child's teacher and a convenient time for your phone interview.

Bookings will open **Monday 20 March at 9am**.

The schedule for the interviews are as follows:

*\* 3/4 Orange interviews were conducted on Monday 20 March due to Mr McCrae's leave*

Monday 3 April	Tuesday 4 April	Wednesday 5 April	Thursday 6 April
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mrs Probert 5/6 Scarlet</li><li>• Miss Gallagher 5/6 Purple</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mrs Wilmshurst K/1 Lime</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Probert 1/2 Silver</li><li>• Miss Firth 1/2 Blue</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Miss Lamb 3/4 Green</li></ul>

## P&C Election Day BBQ – We need your help!



The P&C are urgently seeking volunteers to support the Election Day BBQ fundraiser. Our school is a polling place on **Saturday 25 March** and this a wonderful opportunity to raise money for our school. The P&C are looking for volunteers to spare 2 hours on Saturday to assist at the BBQ. **This event cannot go ahead without the support of our school community.**

Please contact the P&C urgently if you are able to spare time to assist on the day. Please email your availability to:

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

All funds raised will be used to purchase new Newcombeball Posts to support our PSSA teams.





## School Photos

School photos are scheduled for **Tuesday 28 March 2023**. All students will wear full school summer uniform with black school shoes on this day. All photo orders must be made online directly with the school photographer at [www.leadingimage.com.au](http://www.leadingimage.com.au) using our school access code: **XH8CG9ZX**

**Please do not make school photo payments via the Tower Street PS website.**



**Your School Photo Day is COMING!**  
Tuesday 28th March 2023

Ordering School Photos has never been easier!

**How to ORDER ONLINE**

- 1 Go to: [www.leadingimage.com.au](http://www.leadingimage.com.au)
- 2 Click "Order Your School Photos" and select your State.
- 3 Enter your unique school ACCESS KEY - XH8CG9ZX

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## Kindy Expo Night

On Wednesday 29 March we will be holding our Kindy 2024 Information Night. Please share this information with neighbours or friends with children starting school next year.

We are looking forward to sharing the wonderful things we have to offer here at Tower Street PS!



**Kindy 2024 OPEN NIGHT**

**Tower Street Public School**  
**Wednesday 29 March 2023**  
**5pm - 6pm**  
**74 Tower Street Panania**

**JOIN US TO HEAR ALL THE EXCITING THINGS OUR SCHOOL HAS TO OFFER!**

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<https://towerst-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

#SmallSchoolBigOpportunities



## P&C NEWS

The P&C Uniform Shop is open every Friday morning from 8.30 in the OSH Club room. The Uniform Shop is accepting NSW Government 'Back to School Vouchers' for uniform purchases.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who completed the P&C Uniform Survey. The results indicated that a majority of people were in favour of changing our school uniform. The P&C will be continuing to consult with the school and community about any proposed changes to the current school uniform. If you wish to be included in this process please attend the next P&C meeting.

On Wednesday 15 March 2023 the AGM was held congratulations to the 2023 P&C Executive team who were elected during this meeting:

President: Mr Chris Browning

Vice President - Uniform Shop: Mrs Simone Read

Vice President – Fundraising: Mr Matt Gardner

Secretary: Mrs Tara Abdo

Treasurer: Vacant

## Student Parliament News

### Harmony Day Muffin Day and Cookie Decorating Stall.

*The Justice Committee's Harmony Day and Cookie Decorating Stall was proposed in parliament and approved by Queen Ambrose.*

Students are asked to come to school dressed in orange coloured clothing to celebrate Harmony Day on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023.**

*Please ensure your child wears a hat, covered shoes and a shirt or dress with sleeves to cover their shoulders.*

**The Justice Committee will be holding an exciting cookie decorating stall at recess. For the cost of \$1.00, students can create and eat their own yummy Harmony Day cookie. Money will be collected by committee members on the day.**

Students observing Ramadan can decorate their cookie and take it home to eat later in the day. The cookie stall will support students to raise funds for their Year 6 Farewell and gift to the school.

TSPS Parliament, Justice Committee

### Birthday Bucket Fundraiser

The Executive's Birthday Bucket fundraiser has been a big hit already, with birthday boys and girls being surprised with an exciting delivery of Quelch ice blocks for all of their classmates, a birthday card, a birthday sticker and best of all- a fun birthday song performed by Year 6 students.

It has been wonderful seeing so many students surprised with a delivery of a Birthday Bucket for their birthday. Thank you to our wonderful families for





supporting Year 6's fundraising efforts. Order forms are available at the office if you would like to surprise your child for their birthday.



### Fun Food Friday Zooper Doopers

Year 6's Fun Food Friday fundraiser has been extremely successful. Many students have been cooling down on steamy, hot Fridays by purchasing a Zooper Dooper for \$1.00, at recess. We have been impressed by the way students have been lining up patiently at the canteen and then saying 'please' and 'thankyou' when buying their iceblocks.

This week we officially launch Year 6's newest fundraiser 'THE BIRTHDAY BUCKET!!'  
Fundraising that helps Year 6 students and you!

## BIRTHDAY BUCKETS!

1x Qulech ice block for everyone in your class.

A birthday card from your teacher and classmates.

A Happy Birthday balloon and sticker for you to keep.

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

**\$20**

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.*

# Fun Food Friday!

To cool you down and quench your thirst, Year 6 students will be selling Zooper Doopers at recess each Friday during Term 1.

## Zooper Doopers

**\$1.00 each**



# School HOLIDAY program

Are you aged 5-15 years?  
Do you have a passion for animals?  
Want to make some new furry friends?

Then join the RSPCA NSW Education Team  
for the upcoming School Holiday Program!

[rspcansw.org.au](http://rspcansw.org.au)



## SESSIONS INCLUDE

- 🌱 A behind-the-scenes tour of our shelters
- 🌱 Making enrichment toys
- 🌱 Meeting a variety of shelter animals
- 🌱 Talks from various roles at the RSPCA
- 🌱 Exploring how our Inspectors perform rescues and enforce the law

## PROGRAMS



**LOWER  
PRIMARY**  
(5-7 years)



**UPPER  
PRIMARY**  
(8-11 years)



**SECONDARY**  
(12-15 years)

## Sydney Adoption and Education Centre

201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199

To express your interest, please visit our website:

[rspcansw.org.au/what-we-do/education/school-holiday-program/](http://rspcansw.org.au/what-we-do/education/school-holiday-program/)

If you would like more information,  
contact the Education Team on:



(02) 9782 4478



[education@rspcansw.org.au](mailto:education@rspcansw.org.au)







# Picnic Point High School

## Combined Schools Concert Band

Picnic Point High School's Creative & Performing Arts Faculty are inviting keen and motivated Primary School students to join our concert band.

Rehearsals will take place on Wednesday afternoons at Picnic Point High School. The ensemble will learn a variety of repertoire and will rehearse for performance opportunities throughout the year.

Our conductor, Ms Kozma, has over 25 years of experience.

We look forward to supporting the learning of students across our community and enriching the learning of students with high potential in the creative and intellectual HPGE domains.

# REGISTER NOW!



3:15PM - 4:15PM WEDNESDAYS

To register use the QR Code  
Registrations close Friday 21 April  
Rehearsals to begin Term 2 Week 2 Wednesday 3 May

