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**Star Struck**

Our Star Struck participation and performance is next week! Ms Tully sent out all the organizational information to everyone involved yesterday, in preparation for a big week. We sincerely thank Mrs Crossland for taking care of the costumes (all the accessories) – a big task, done beautifully (each child’s accessories were even packed and labeled individually). A summary of the week’s events is as follows:

- **Wednesday, 10\textsuperscript{th} June**- Second Combined Rehearsal in Newcastle- basically all day (Ms Tully supervising)
- **Thursday, 11\textsuperscript{th} June**- Technical and Dress Rehearsal- all day (Ms Hamer supervising)
- **Friday, 12\textsuperscript{th} June**- Matinee Performance (Ms Tully); Friday night Performance (Ms Bath)
- **Saturday, 13\textsuperscript{th} June**- Matinee Performance (Mrs Bird); Night Performance (Ms Hamer)

We sincerely thank Ms Tully for her wonderful organization for this event—she has left nothing to chance, making the whole experience an enjoyable and memorable time for the children. We also thank Cassie (again) for training the children over the last term—she really inspires and involves the children—we are lucky to have her!

**Environmental Committee**

At this stage we have only two parents who have expressed interest in being on this committee. I am going to have a meeting at 3:15 on Tuesday, 9\textsuperscript{th} June. Please come along if you wish to be involved – if you are interested but can’t make it, let me know. Ms Hamer

**Interest Groups - Reminder**

I am asking for expressions of interest from parents, grandparents, friends and any community members who have an artistic skill. This could be anything from sewing, painting, drawing, woodwork, collage, fabric design...anything! I am hoping to run ‘interest groups’ during Term 3 where you will be able to share this skill with a group of 6 students. This will hopefully run for 4 weeks (4 afternoons-probably Thursdays). Please discuss this with friends as it is a perfect opportunity for students to learn a new skill AND become familiar with the wider community. Anyone interested must have a current Working with Children check. If you are interested please see Ms Tully.

**Drum Lesson**

As Col was sick on Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} May the lesson will be made-up on Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} June.

**Canteen - Reminder**

Lunch orders need to be in by Wednesday afternoon at the latest. No late orders will be accepted.

Term 2 & 3 canteen roster is up on the fridge for volunteers. Volunteers are needed for tomorrow, 29\textsuperscript{th} May, 19\textsuperscript{th} June and all of Term 3.
African Aids Day Report
The Year 6 students (very capably supported and organized with Mrs Murphy) held a wonderful day yesterday for our African Aids Foundation charity. At lunch and recess they face painted, sold home-made lemonade, cakes, slices, and African souvenirs, in order to raise money to go with the Bayley family in the next couple of weeks, to Africa. During the afternoon session, they also organized and led 3 different activities—letter writing; games and an African perspective activity with Mrs Bayley, so each child has an idea of the African culture. This was a great effort by our Year 6 leaders, and a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness and more funds for our sister school in Africa.
Environmental Committee
Our first meeting for the Environmental Committee will be held on Tuesday afternoon after school. Our committee has a lot to think about after our recent floods.

School Council Meeting
Our next School Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon at 3.15pm

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 16th June beginning at 6.00pm

Woodville Hall
The Woodville Hall held a meeting on Tuesday evening. At that meeting we discussed the current renovations that have just been completed in the hall. We have attached a report from the President which outlines what has been done.

School Update
On Tuesday I met with the relevant authorities (Assets Management; Insurance Assessment and Public Works) to reassess the overall damage to the school to ensure all damage was listed to be repaired or renewed. An updated scope of works will now be developed, with the commencement of the works to start soon. We are endeavouring to get back to normal as soon as possible.

Soccer V Paxton
Our School Soccer team is playing in the first round of the State Knockout Competiton on Wednesday, 17th June against Paxton at Cessnock. A note will go home next week outlining the details of the day, suffice to say the match begins at 1.00 pm.

Rugby Union
Congratulations to Connor who has been selected in the Maitland Zone Rugby Union team. He will be playing on Friday, 19th June at Dangar Park in the Hunter Regional Trials. Well done Connor!

Entertainment Books - Reminder
Books need to be paid for or returned by Wednesday next week, 10th June.
Report on renovation and painting of Woodville School of Arts hall
- presented to Woodville School of Arts management committee Tuesday 2 June, 2015.

The repair and painting of the hall, made possible by the $30,000 grant from Port Stephens Council, began on Monday, 30 March, 2015. The work was conducted by carpenters from Proctor Building Services (102 McFarlanes Rd, Morpeth, NSW, 2321) and Turnbull Painting Contractors (259 Scenic Drive, Merewether Heights, 2291, NSW).

The work began with insect spraying and cobweb removal, then water blasting to strip the grime. The latter quickly revealed that more boards and timbers needed replacing and repairing than we had anticipated. Even the boards we decided not to replace were in a generally poor condition, requiring much patching and filling.

All sides of the building needed considerable timber repair and replacement. Scraping off the old paint was laborious and time-consuming and revealed the previous paint job of 20 years ago had been applied directly to uncleaned surfaces, on top of many previous layers of paint. This meant the previous paint had not bonded properly with the boards and had allowed considerable deterioration over the years.

The lane side of the building, being the dampest throughout the year, was in the poorest state and required the most work. The double doors on that wall were stripped back to the reveal they are oregon timber, which is porous and no longer recommended for exterior use. They were patched, sanded and painted five times to get a tight finish. All exterior boards and other timbers were patched, sanded and painted at least three times. All the boards on the entire short wall alongside the kitchen stairs were replaced after the carpenters discovered the entire wall cavity was infested with the nests of rats and Indian mynas.

The state of the boards meant the pale, gloss paint colour scheme chosen in consultation with the council’s heritage officer (light ‘stone’ for boards, white for windows, and ‘Indian Red’ trim to match the Colorbond gutters) had to be abandoned. Gloss paint would have shown up the many imperfections, particularly the window frames. Likewise, the boards would have collected and shown the dirt within a year or so if painted in a pale and gloss colour. So the president and secretary, on the advice of the paint contractor, accepted the need to switch to matt paint and a darker main colour that would not readily show the dirt. The finished colour scheme (all Dulux) is: boards - ‘Mud Pack’; windows & pale trim - ‘Grand Piano’; gutters & dark trim - ‘Monument’ (a Colorbond colour, to simplify future gutter repairs).

The work met the original quote of $24,420 (incl GST & materials) except where we asked the painters for additional work on the gutters and the brick walls. The gutters were sanded and painted for an additional $800 (incl GST & materials). Bob Beale paid for the painting of the brick walls, by way of a donation. This work cost $1,430 (incl GST & materials). We hope to defray some of Bob’s donation with other donations from the community. All the contracted work was completed by Thursday, 21 May. Easter and major flooding from the 21 April ‘super storm’ caused some delays but no inconvenience. We are awaiting an invoice for the carpentry costs to complete the Council acquittal for the grant, due by 1 June, 2015 (yesterday).

The painting work that remains to be done is the fences and gates, which will have to be done by working-bee labour. Bob Beale has weed-sprayed around the posts and water-blasted the timbers. Materials for the fence and gates will cost $300-$400.

Elisabeth Smark
President – WSoA
2 June, 2015.