Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to our school community for the teamwork, resilience and understanding that was apparent last Thursday and Friday as a result of the storm. When staff members were calling parents on mobile phones to inform of the necessity to close the school, many parents assisted by informing others by phone or on their Facebook page. It is times such as this that truly highlights how fortunate we are to have such a caring community who pool together to achieve what needs to be done.

A big thank you to members of the Northern Midlands Council and Patrick Davey who were fantastic on Friday assisting us to identify and remove storm-damaged trees that were a threat to the safety of our students if left. Thank you to Mr Lodge for his efficiency in cleaning up dangerous lower branches and collecting debris from our school grounds.

“Rug Up Day” on Tuesday was a success with students wearing a variety of warm, cosy and comfortable clothing including onesies, dressing gowns, blankets, puffer jackets, ugg boots, pyjamas, thick jumpers, scarves and beanies. The Flexible Learning room was converted into a mini café at recess time with students from Kindergarten to Grade 6 enjoying a warm mug of milo. Our SRC members not demonstrated they are talented at making milo and waiting on tables, but showed they were just as capable when washing up. SRC are hoping to use the proceeds to purchase something for the school as a farewell from our current Grade 6 students.

The Country Gold Trials were also disrupted last week with netball being the only indoor sport that went ahead. Congratulations to Olivia Ryan and Riley Lamperd for being selected in the Northern Midlands East team. Trials will continue tomorrow with:

- Soccer at Cressy 1.00-2.30pm
- Football at Perth 12-2pm
- Hockey at St. Leonards 11-1pm.

Selection is not only determined on how students play on the day at Trials. Coaches and managers have observed individual skills and sportsmanship since the sports roster commenced. We wish everyone well.

Regards

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