Music Supporters Group - Report for June 2014

The MSG meeting was held on 2nd June 2014 with eight members and one staff member attending and four apologies.

Firstly, for your interest and information, the activities of the music department and students leading up to the meeting included:

- Senior Strings had great success at QYMA being awarded gold.
- Big band performed at the Jazz Club and received very high praise from Jon Morrison.
- A lunch time Concert Series has been commenced and is underway each Friday at Sippers Coffee Shop. Students can nominate a band or group of musicians to play and be placed in the program.
- Music On The Lawn was a great success with over 300 students performing.

Activities

Music On The Lawn

The last item leads us into what has become the largest event of the month and the year for the MSG. That is the Music on The Lawn. The Music Department put in a huge effort into preparing the site with a temporary stage and preparing the bands and signers for the great performances seen on the day.

A summary of the day is as follows:

- The day began at 7:00am with the setup of the shade areas, cooking facilities,, serving stations and entertainment events.
- A Jumping Castle was provided to keep the younger children entertained
- Face Painting was provided and the MSG recognise the work done by three students for the day and thank them for their effort. These students are Catherine Tian, Liisa Kuru and Alice Sonter.
- MSG supplied hamburgers, sausages and pasta as the main food choices with drinks available to compliment the food.
- Many people donated cupcakes, muffins and slices for sale and this contributed to the financial success of the day. MSG thanks all those people who donated to this stall.
- Over \$4,000.00 was taken with over \$2,000.00 profit.
- Everyone agrees the day was a great success and should remain as an annual event on the music calendar.

Other activities

The only other activity for the month was an offer to the school of dancing lessons in preparation of the Gala Ball. It was an idea and a trial and MSG thanks Sarah Slade for the advice and work she put into advertising the event. Unfortunately only 5 people responded, two of those dropped out and adding in the numbers from the MSG did not bring it close to the minimum number required. We keep the ideas coming and trialling them. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

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