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A Star-studded Opening of the BigPond Star Café at Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick

On Wednesday 12 March, patients, visitors and staff at Sydney Children's Hospital celebrated the official opening of the BigPond Star Café with Dorothy the Dinosaur, Captain Feathersword and Souths National Youth Competition players Luke Capewell, Chris Sandow and Junior Seumanatafa.

The bright and bustling BigPond Star Café is the heart of the Sydney Children's Hospital where staff, families and visitors meet. Recent refurbishments have transformed the Café as part of BigPond's three-year sponsorship commitment to purchase and upgrade equipment and facilities at the Café.

Two computers with free high-speed internet (ADSL2+) have been installed at the Café, allowing visitors access and providing a valuable service to many families of ill children treated at the Hospital who come to the Hospital from across NSW and beyond. The kiosks are extremely popular and have brought new interest to the Café. In addition to the free internet kiosks, visitors to the Café with their own laptops can now take advantage of the free wireless hot spot.

"We are honoured to have BigPond's support for the Star Café. Their passion for the Hospital has prompted this significant investment in the Café and made it an inviting, modern and technologically savvy place for staff and families. A child's hospitalisation makes a significant impact upon their family. The ability for parents and carers to email friends and family at home or do their online banking is a truly generous gift to families at the Hospital," said Adam Check, Chief Executive, Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation.

"Time spent at hospital can be challenging for families, and the new two free broadband kiosks have been installed by BigPond to make it easy to keep in touch with family and friends online," said Justin Milne, BigPond Group Managing Director.

Souths National Youth Competition players Luke Capewell, Chris Sandow and Junior Seumanatafa joined BigPond Group Managing Director Justin Milne and Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation CEO Adam Check at the official opening to help put even more smiles on the faces of the sick children at Hospital. (insert age) year old patient (insert name) presented Justin Milne with a special thank you card handmade by the children at the Hospital.

"We really appreciate BigPond's efforts to make the Star Café so special. The computers help us keep in touch with the outside world and make our lives so much easier," said Graham, father of Tyler, a Sydney Children's Hospital patient, who flew from Bellingen to be treated at the Hospital.

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