

# STARS Staff Council

## Staff Update

March 2026

Hello STARS!

Turning five was a blast! Like any five-year-old's party there was ice-cream, games, cute animals, dress-ups and, of course, birthday cake!

We really hope all staff were able to participate in the activities throughout the week and take time to reflect on everything that STARS has achieved in five years.

Organising a week's worth of celebrations was a large undertaking, and we couldn't have done it without all our helpers. A big thank you to Jennifer Bradd, staff who helped serve at the BBQ, Glenn McDonald for setup and AV Telemed. Thank you also to all our sponsors for the event including Australian Unity, the RBWH Foundation, Botanist Cafe and Sushi Yado.

### Trivia competition winners

A few official announcements for the competitions that occurred last week.

Firstly, the winner of the STARS trivia quiz was the Pharmacy team (Nicola Harper, Caitlyn McRobbie, Kelly Zhong, Tasha McNee, Georgina Pike and Madeleine Murray). Second and third places were Corporate Services (Ann Birch, Archana Mishra, Georgia Mason, Ammie Janison, Glenn McDonald and Ryan Pringle) and PODQIP (Kara, Mel, Jen, Bec and Jane).

You can read the correct answers to the quiz, [here](#).

We loved the artistic photo entries of the building and also the photos recreating the nurses from the heritage wall. Thanks everyone for your entries!



*Some of the photos of STARS entries as part of the trivia/quiz competition.*



*Entries recreating the historic photos of nurses as part of the trivia/quiz competition.*

### **Fancy dress competition winners**

The team winner for the fancy dress competition was the Allied Health Workforce group with their Spice Girls dress-up. Well done! There was a great effort by the Outpatients team with their minion outfit, and the pharmacy team as super heroes. If you didn't catch them in costume, you can watch the Metro North Facebook [reel](#).

We also had a heart-warming tribute to STARS staff member Scotty, with colleagues from around the hospital capturing his likeness in bright shirts, crocs and novelty socks. A special mention to Bel who won best individual fancy dress - her 'Scotty' outfit incorporated a 'bald cap', name tag and a shirt featuring photos of Scotty's face.





*Fancy dress day.*

We would also like to share some wonderful feedback we received from the Ambassador Guide Dog team who really appreciated the interactions they had with staff on the Pats and Chats Day:

*“Knowing that the visit brought moments of joy, connection and even a few smiles to staff who do such important work every day is exactly why our team and dogs love being part of events like this.*

*Please also pass on our thanks to everyone involved in organising the event. The warmth and welcome shown to our team made the day incredibly memorable for us as well.”*

We look forward to welcoming them back to STARS for another Pats and Chats event.



*More photos from the STARS 5th Celebration Week.*

**Patient and staff advocacy**

We want to hear more about all the little things that could be done to improve the experience of patients and staff at STARS. Equally, if you have any concerns that you feel aren't being addressed

appropriately we want to hear about them too. Please get in touch via our email address [STARS\\_SC@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:STARS_SC@health.qld.gov.au), reach out to your [local staff council member](#), or complete our [feedback form](#).

If you are interested in joining the Staff Council, please email through a one-page (max) response describing why you would like to join the STARS Staff Council to [STARS\\_SC@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:STARS_SC@health.qld.gov.au).

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Kind regards,

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