

## Panthers stay put

PANTHERS officials have all but closed the book on next season's player roster after Ned Carlo and Lee Hopkins signed for another two years.

Prop Mark Geyer is expected to sign for another season while Sid Domic and Andrew Hinson currently have offers to weigh up.

Geyer and second-rower Tony Puletua will be presenting a cheque for almost \$12,500 to Westmead Children's Hospital tomorrow (Thursday).

The two forwards helped raise the money when they held a pass-the-ball competition at Penrith's Rebel Sport store in May as part of the Starlight Foundation's Star Day fundraising drive.

At Thursday's presentation, they will head around the wards to visit the kids.

The club's Junior League, meanwhile, continue to attract interest, with the Royce Simmons Shield the next competition to be played on the back of the Panthers trophy and the Greg Alexander Shield.

The competition, for Years 3 and 4, starts this week and the finals will be played on August 30.

able for purchase until the conclusion of events at 11pm.

Meanwhile, forwards Wayne Bartrim and Colin Ward and rising star Mark Gasnier continued St George-Illwara's commendable community work last week.

Bartrim and Ward visited Our Lady of Fatima School for autographs and a chat about Rugby League, and Gasnier headed to Montdale Primary as an ambassador for the school's under-12s, who made it to the finals of the state knockout tournament.

## STORM

THE premiers expect to have five-eighths

Thursday, 4pm on the NSW, 5pm on the ACT.



Stars chip in for Star Day... Mark Geyer and Tony Puletua with Fiona Palmer from Rebel Sport in Penrith.  
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