St Francis Xavier Catholic School

Gala Update 3

24 February, 2014

4 Weeks to go...

Gala Day
Sat 22 March

Help needed!!!

We have had a poor response so far to our request for volunteers, so if you haven't already volunteered for something, could you spare a couple of hours on gala day to help out? We need **every** family in our school helping in some way, to ensure we have another successful year!

Just fill in the slip on Page 3 and get your child to hand it in at the Office. It's a great way to meet other parents!

Thank you to those of you who have already volunteered. We really appreciate the fabulous work and many hours you have been putting in to making the gala a success.

Entertainment

If you are part of a group (or know of a group) who would like to be involved in our entertainment program on gala day, please contact Chris on: 021 073 6106.

Mega Splash Water

We have a new attraction this year - the **Lion's "MEGA SPLASH" water dunking machine.** A person has three attempts at hitting the target with a tennis ball. Once hit, the bucket tips and the person below the bucket gets wet. FUN!!!!

Please consider coming forward to be 'dunked'. Perhaps you have a child who is an ex pupil that may love the fun.

Bring along a change of clothes on gala day and get into the spirit. All to raise funds for a fantastic cause of course!!!!

There is NO white elephant or clothing/shoe stalls this year! Please do not send us any of these items, thanks!

Room by room...

We allocate each class an item to bring each week until the gala so we can make up gift baskets, hampers and lolly leis to sell and raffle. The ingredients we pass on to our sweet making volunteers. Thank you very much for your help on this one.

Please send to school with your child(ren) **before Friday 28 Feb**...

Rooms 1 & 2	Bags of individually wrapped lollies
Rooms 3 & 4	Grocery hamper items
Rooms 8 & 9	Butter or sugar
Rooms 10, 11 & 12	Condensed milk
Rooms 13, 14 & 15	Butter, sugar or condensed milk
Rooms 16 & 17	Bags of individually wrapped lollies
Rooms 18 & 19	Items suitable for lucky dips
Rooms 20 & 21	Butter

Things we still need...

If you can help with any of the following please drop them off to the school hall:

- Any **spare banana boxes** we can use for sorting
- **Recent magazines**, in good condition (no "gossip" mags like Women's Day please)

Facebook Tip: When you see our Gala updates on your Facebook page, click "share", that way your friends will be able to see what's happening for Gala Day too!

Hangi ...

The Whānau group are doing the Hangi this year, and it promises to be just as popular and tasty as previous years! If you can help, please see Whaea Jacqui in Room 17.

G.J. Gardner. HOMES

Auction ...

Our Auction Team have been hard at work, and have some fabulous items up for auction this year. Here's just a few items we have confirmed so far:

Placemakers have given us 2 $250 vouchers, Lumino the Dentists are giving us a Tooth whitening package worth $499 and Dive Tutukaka have donated a trip for an Adult and Child on their Perfect Day trip to the Poor Knights. Wow!

We have a selection of great vouchers that have been kindly donated from Bethells Uniform, Kamo WOF, Crowe Plumbing, D'Nari Pizza, Bank Street Social Club, Cabbage Tree Cafe, Cafe Narnia, Robert Harris, Dominos, Chipmunks and Claphams Clock Museum.

We also have some great Gift Baskets for the "Be in To Win" auction stall, from the following companies: Buchanans Pharmacy, Guthrie Bowron, Villa Hairdressing, Kensington Pharmacy and an Easter Gift Basket from Sudbury's Chartered Accountants.

But wait there is more…. more you say?….. Wow!! GJ Gardner have generously donated another Play House to the Auction, yes a real deal children's play house!

Thank you to everyone who has said YES when we have asked for support. It's a challenging job asking, but it is wonderful that our children will be receiving the full benefit of these generous donations. Keep them coming… what will be on the list next week?

A big thanks goes to **Gary Younger** who will be our Auctioneer again this year!

If you have any goods or services you would like to donate, please contact Pamela on 027 598 3222.

Baking ...

Are you dreading the cake boxes coming home, because baking is not your best talent, or you always run out of time? The good news is, we have people who are happy to do extra baking to fill up our cake boxes!

So, instead of buying a cake from Countdown or Charlies to throw in the box on your way to school on the Friday before Gala, why not buy some extra eggs, butter and flour, and bring them to school before the cake boxes go out? We can pass them on to our generous volunteers.

Homemade goodies are much easier to sell than store-brought cakes - who doesn't love a freshly baked treat with their morning cuppa?! YUM!!

Contact us...

General queries:
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Megan 437 7715
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Auction items:
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Toys:
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Next meeting...

Wed 26 Feb @ 7.00pm in the staffroom - All welcome!

Pit Stop

To DO:

Please cut off, complete and give to your child to hand in at the Office (tick as many as you like):

Name: _____

After Hours Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

- ☐ I can help to sort prior to the Gala
- ☐ I can help with food prep the week before the Gala
- ☐ I can help set up on the Friday before the Gala (Fri 21 March)
- ☐ I can help to set up on the morning of the gala from 7.00am
- ☐ I can help on a stall or a ride on the day of the gala
- ☐ I can help with the clean-up on the day of the gala