



St Francis Xavier Catholic School

Gala Update 5

12 March, 2012

2 Weeks to go...

Can you help?...

On the Day

We are still looking for more helpers to set-up, pack up and man the food stalls and outdoor rides on Gala Day.

This year we are trying to give volunteers a **2 hour maximum** time slot on rides or stalls - that way we can all get to enjoy the gala with our families!

We estimate that we need approx 100 people on the day for this to happen... with only 2 weeks to go, **we desperately need more!!**

Please complete the form (over page) and hand in to the school office.

Sorting

We need lots of help prior to the gala to help with sorting all of the donated items in the school hall. If you can spare even half an hour before, during, or after school please pop in.

Dropping off Goods...

The **last day** for dropping off any White Elephant goods is **Wednesday 21 March** (other than large items). We really appreciate your respect of this request, as our volunteers need this time to sort through the goods so they are ready for sale on gala day.

Please, absolutely **NO** drop offs on Saturday morning!

Large items / furniture

We would appreciate these items being dropped off on the Friday before gala day. This is because storage is always at a premium!

If you have any large items or furniture to donate (e.g. beds, outdoor furniture) that you are unable to deliver to us, then we are more than happy to collect it from you. Just give Katy a call on 459 1263 and the items will be collected from you on the Friday before the gala (23rd).



Gala Day Sat 24 March

Room by room...

We have had such a fantastic response to our requests, so thank you to everyone! We rely on your help for the gala each week with the requests below:

Please send to school with your child(ren) before Friday 16 March	
Rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4	Vegetable cooking oil
Rooms 7, 8, 9 & 10	Grocery hamper items
Rooms 11, 12, 13 & 14	Items suitable as lucky dip prizes (e.g. Little notepads, pencils, hairties, packets of balloons etc).
Rooms 15, 16 & 17	New hairties
Rooms 18, 19 & 20	Marbles

Sales of ride tickets...

This year we are going to have pre-gala sales of ride tickets - a special for our children!.

You can buy 12 tickets for \$10.00 (please note we are only selling in \$10.00 lots). On gala day tickets will be the usual price of \$1.00 per ticket.

Sales will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the week before the gala, from 8.15am - 8.45am and 2.50pm - 3.30pm each day outside the school hall.

Sweets



Thanks so much for the generous contributions of sweets ingredients. We now have enough for our makers to get boiling. If you are having success with your batches and feel you could make a couple more, I have ingredients available so just let me know.

If you need freezer space I can arrange this also. There are ice cream containers if you would like to collect them and return to school on the Friday before the gala (filled with sweets of course!).

Thanks again for your support, it looks like we are well on target to match last year. Aynslie 021 105 7600



Remember to keep checking out our Facebook page, it is regularly updated with lots of information about the PTFA and gala activities!

So if you are online, why not "like" us and share with all your friends as well:

www.facebook.com/StFrancisXavierCatholicSchoolPTFA

White Elephant

Thank you for all the fantastic goods that have been dropped off to the school hall already.

Electrical Goods - Please make sure that any Electrical Goods are in safe working order. If you know they are working can you please place a sticker on them stating that.

We are **not** accepting any TV's, computers or printers. Thank you.

Website...

Our website has lots of fantastic up-to-date information on gala happenings, photos, auction lists, recipes, sponsor information, entertainment line-up & more! Make sure you stay up-to-date by having a look:

www.sfx.school.nz (Click on "Our Gala")

Cake Boxes Reminder...

Your child(ren) will be sent home with some empty cake boxes on Friday 16th. Please send them back the following Friday 23rd (drop off in Room 3) filled with delicious home baking!



Next meeting...

Wednesday 14 March @ 7.00pm in the staffroom

Contact us: Email: sfxgala@gmail.com

Auction

It's all going on at the Auction!

Remember we have a **FREE iPod draw**... that's right, something for nothing!! Open to everyone and free to enter! All you have to do is fill in your details and be present when they draw the winner!

And we can't forget the **RULE THE SKOOL** auction! Kids - do you fancy being Principal and ruling the school for the whole day??!! You could have Mr McKernan as your PA... AWESOME!! Start saving your money now, what a cool gift that would be! *(Please note: this auction is restricted to children only)*

Thanks to all those who have donated some fabulous items for the auction. Items include:

💰 **Stacey Michelsen**, the WORLD'S best junior hockey player (that's in the world - not just famous in NZ!), has kindly donated her stick, signed by her and the 2012 Blacksticks team. We are really excited to be auctioning this item. Go for it hockey people... come and bid on this collectors stick. Nice one Stacey!!

💰 **Salt** have donated a \$500 clothing voucher to spend in store - and you even have access to a personal stylist!

💰 2 nights accommodation at **Oceans Resort Hotel**, Tutukaka.

💰 **Bloom Flowers** have donated some gorgeous flowers.

💰 Awesome hand woven flax bodice wall hanging, made by **Angela Brockliss**.

💰 Make a will with a voucher from **Cook Westenra!**

💰 Voucher for Engineering & Architectural services from **Cook Costello**.

💰 **Number Works 'n Words** have donated 2 vouchers of five sessions each, for tuition in Maths or English.

💰 Fancy getting "I love SFX" tattooed somewhere on your body? Or perhaps something else - with a voucher donated by **Art N Soul**, you choose what you want!

💰 Art works from some of our incredibly talented family members!

Check out our full list of auction items, which is growing daily, on our website:

<http://sfxgala.weebly.com/auction-items-list.html>

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 23 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

We would like to thank the following Companies for their support towards the St Francis Xavier 2012 Gala:



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Café Latino, Thank you!!!!

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Nicki and Rodolfo from Café Latino, who will once again be donating 100% of their coffee profits to the Gala.

They have done this for a number of years, and we are truly grateful for their time & continued support.

They will only be accepting cash on gala day, so make sure you bring plenty to get your caffeine fix!!



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