



St Francis Xavier Catholic School

Gala Update 2

18 February, 2013

5 Weeks to go...



Gala Day Sat 23 March

Things we still need

Any assistance with the following items would be great...

Plastic Grocery Bags

We go through thousands! Please bring us your stockpiles and leave in the school hall.

Lolly leis

Please bring bags of individually wrapped lollies (like Macintoshes, fruit bursts & minties), so we can make flax lolly leis for the sweet stall.

Pre-loved Clothing

Please label donated clothing eg: mens, womens, 4-7 year boy etc – and leave in the school hall.

Books

Helpers are needed to sort and price books in the school hall leading up to gala day. Any spare time you can give would be much appreciated. Please phone Serena on 435 6787 if you can assist.

Before dropping off your books, please check them to ensure they are clean and in good condition, and please repair any torn pages. This saves us a great deal of time when sorting and pricing books.

Please do not send videos, cassettes or gossip magazines (eg: New Idea). All other books and magazines will be gratefully received!

Thanks Penguin...



Penguin Wholesalers have kindly offered us the use of a chiller truck. Awesome guys, thanks so much!

Contact us: Email: sfxgala@gmail.com

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. These are always popular!! 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 22 February...

- Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9 & 10:** Bags of individually wrapped Lollies
- Rooms 11, 12 & 13:** Butter
- Rooms 14, 15 & 16:** Items suitable for Lucky Dip
- Room 17:** Sugar
- Room 18:** Condensed Milk
- Room 19:** Butter
- Rooms 20 & 21:** Grocery hamper items



Dropping off goods

The school hall is open now for you to bring your goods to. The sooner you drop them in, the sooner our magical elves (parents volunteering to help out) are able to sort your precious donations into bags ready for sale.

Pre-gala sorting - can you help?

Can you spare the odd hour before, during or after school? The generously donated goods in the school hall need to be sorted prior to the gala. If you can help – fantastic! Please pop in to the school hall.



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Click on "Our Gala", then link to our Facebook page and Like Us!

Sweets

This stall is very popular and often has a cue at the beginning of the morning! If you are new to the school and would like to make a batch or two of fudge, we would be very grateful. The fudges we have had success with in the past are: Russian, Chocolate and Coconut Ice. Last year we made a record \$3500 - amazing efforts!

You will be asked to contribute ingredients for those who are kind enough to make more than one batch (Ann Sweeny is up to 20 already). She really needs your contribution of butter, sugar or condensed milk, so if you are unable to make sweets please bring ingredients so we can pass on to those who have the special fudge making skills.

If I have your name already from last year please ring me this year just to let me know you are able to do some for us again this year.

Thanks for your support. Aynslie.

Entertainment wanted...

We have a few available spots in our entertainment line-up this year, so are on the lookout for some talented individuals to perform to the crowds.

We would be particularly interested in hearing from any school children, but we also welcome interest from parents/other adults with super talents! Please contact Chris on 459 1121 or 021 073 6106 for more information.



It's all for a great cause... Your Kids



The funds the Gala raises are used for so many things around the school. They also enable our wonderful school staff to do what they do best – educate our kids. Therefore, **every** family is encouraged to help.

Remember, this is our **ONLY** fundraising event for the year!

~ Thanks from the Gala Crew.

Volunteers needed...

As we mentioned in the last newsletter, we need lots of helpers on gala day to man the stalls and rides. If you can help in any way, please complete the slip below:



Contact us...

General queries:

Aynslie 436 1504
021 105 7600

Outdoor rides:

Janet 435 0710

Auction items:

Maygan 437 3797
Julie 435 1672

Crafts:

Kerri 021 166 1248
Tash 021 129 9570

Food stalls:

Shadow 437 1841

Sweets:

Aynslie 436 1504

Entertainment:

Chris 459 1121
021 073 6106

Sponsorship:

Kath 438 3246

White Elephant:

Katy 459 1263

Books:

Serena 435 6787

Clothes:

Murf 437 1114

Volunteers:

Reg 437 5475
Nikki & Carl 437 7148

Newsletter items:

Kelli 459 1303

Next meeting...

Wed 20 Feb @ 7.00pm in the staffroom - All welcome!

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 22 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



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Electrician needed:

Our usual volunteer Electrician is not available this year. We need someone that can test electrical goods and make sure that any outdoor stalls requiring power are safely connected.

Can you help? If so please contact Aynslie on: 436 1504, or 021 105 7600.

As of October 2012 Peter and Pamela Butler have been running GJ Gardner Homes Whangarei, having recently moved up from Auckland with their three daughters aged 10 months, 3 and 6 years. They are excited to be part of the leading home building business in NZ. "G.J. Gardner Homes has a great reputation in the Northland area and we plan to ensure that continues - it was one of the main factors we considered before taking over the business."

Peter and Pamela believe that what makes GJs such a unique business is the vision the company has. "Our vision is to have every customer recommend us to their closest friend. If we can achieve this we will have a successful business" says Peter. Working with GJs, people should expect that we will act with integrity, honesty and not only deliver a great home at the end of the day but also make it an enjoyable experience.

If you are considering building or know someone who is, then we would love to hear from you.

You can contact us on (09) 437 5666 or just drop in for a cup of coffee and a chat.

Curry making helpers..

The Curry making team are needing some new helpers. We will be meeting at Marist Clubrooms on Friday morning (22 March) to get this prepared. Valerie is the Boss and she will give us guidance on the tasks to be done. We need a team of at least 8, as we have had several of the crew move on, so would welcome helpers for peeling, chopping etc... Please! Pop it in your diary now! If you hear of anyone looking for something to do, it's a great social gathering and we always sample our creation!

If you can help, could you let us know: sfxgala@gmail.com (subject: Curry Maker), or tell Nikki Diamond our Volunteers Co-ordinator, or one of the crew..... awesome, thanks!

Principal for a Day!



For 2013 we are again offering the opportunity for a current SFXCS pupil to win this job for the day.

Rule the Skool... your rulz... your way... (within reason).

This year it will be in the form of a Draw. Tickets can be purchased by anyone, but the name on the ticket must be a child from our school to be eligible for the draw. The lucky winner will be drawn on the day. Please encourage family and friends to buy tickets for this great prize.

Remember to check that the child whose name you write on the ticket wants the Job! What a great job....Ruling the Skool!!

Auction Crew

Coffee cards and food-related vouchers sell really well at auction!

We are really keen to have Cafe Coffee Cards donated again for the Auction (no not the Gala crew!). If you happen to be at your local, could you sound them out and let us know if one of the Auction team need to follow up, or better still, receive it on our behalf, get it to one of the Auction crew (or school office) and we will follow up with the promotion and contacts for the business.

Thank you....