



The Gala is this weekend!



Gala Day

Sat 21 March

THANK YOU

We want to say **THANK YOU** to everyone who has helped and supported this year's Gala, we truly have been blessed.

This includes everything from giving time freely to help sort toys and books, organising stalls, donating items, goods and services for our auction and raffles. Cash sponsorship to cover expenses such as hiring rides, goods, food and vegetables for our stalls, ingredients for our sweet makers, craft items to sell and the list goes.

Thank you to Mrs Webber for all her hard work on the new food stall signs

Thank you to Paul Yovich who has organised for Country Taste Small Goods to donate the sausage sizzle sausages.

Information sheets for stall helpers

Please collect your information sheet from the office, from Tuesday morning onwards.

It will let you know when and where to arrive on Saturday, and give you any other information you need.

Sales of ride tickets

We are again having 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 and Thursday this week, from 8.15am - 8.45am and 2.50pm - 3.15pm under the shade sail.

Start time: All stalls open at **9.00am**

Gala Day Programme & Map
Will be available at the Ticket Tents
on Gala Day.
Don't forget to pick up your copy

WANTED... Helpers for on the day

Calling all those who have not volunteered for the school gala before ... We need your help

40 helpers are still required on the day to ensure the day runs smoothly and we get all cleaned up ready for school on Monday.

Please don't leave it to the same people who do it every year.

It's a great way to get involved in the school community. It's a great way to meet new people.

It's a great way to get to know others better.

It's a great way to show your children their school is important to you.

If you can't do the whole day, a couple of hours will be awesome.

Is your teacher signed up to be dunked?

We are delighted and so grateful to have a line up of teachers willing to be dunked in the Splash Dunking Machine.

Get all your friends together and see if you can hit the target to get your teacher, caretaker or principal dunked.

Oh and what are **Mrs Gunson** and **Mrs Hepi** up to? hmm better make sure you don't miss out on that!

09:30am	Mr Werder
10:00am	Mr Hacker
10:30am	Mr Thornton
10:45am	Miss Pirrit
11:00am	Mr McKernan
11:45am	Mrs Bassett
12:00pm	Mrs Balks
12:30pm	Mrs Gunson
12:45pm	Mrs Hepi



FINAL DROP OFFS

Sweets and Cakes

Fantastic effort by everybody. Please bring sweet and cakes to **Room 17** on Friday morning.

There is still sugar and butter available from Room 8 if you have time to make a few extra cakes and sweets this week.

Cakes

You will have received your cake box by now. We hope you find the time to put some yummy **home-made** cakes in the box.



Remember if you want to make extra please get more boxes from your child's teacher.

Please label the **INSIDE LID** of the box with the type of cake (so buyers can see it when we have the cakes on display).

Cakes and slices don't need to be pre-cut, thanks.

Plants and Produce

Please bring on Friday and leave plants and produce under the trees by the stop drop and roll, and any jams or preserves to **Room 17**. If you have any queries please contact Reg on 437 5475

Crock Pots and Rice Cookers

We need to borrow some extra crock pots and rice cookers for cooking rice and keeping food warm on the day.

If you have one we could borrow, please drop it off to the office on Friday morning. Please make sure you **LABEL** all the bits (i.e. lids, inside, outside) with your **NAME** so we can return them.

BBQ

If you have one we can borrow on the day, please bring it down on Saturday morning.

Lemons

If you have some, please drop into the school office.



Thank You to Fonterra for helping us out with a truck to transport the water for our Water Walkers ride. Without their help we would not have been able to have this very popular ride for the kids.

Thank you again Fonterra for supporting your local community and to Leigh Wilson for giving up his time to drive the truck.



Entertainment

We have a fantastic programme prepared to entertain your eyes, ears and soul in front of Room 19.

This year's line-up includes the dulcet tones of established NZ singer songwriter Kat Brown, performing solo and as part of Cake n Eat It with Lyndon O'Hara.

We welcome back the sweet harmonies of Nicola Probert and Saraiah Tamihana and introduce the duo of David Meredith and Nevandra Straker to the SFX gala stage. One of last year's favourites, the SFX Kapa Haka group, returns, and we welcome the combined talents of the SFX and Pompallier College school bands.

Principal for a Day!

Kids - remember to buy your tickets for this raffle!



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

Every child who wants the job has the opportunity of buying a ticket and being in to win this fantastic job for a day. How cool would it be to be the Principal for the Day?! Anyone can buy a ticket, as long as the name on the ticket is a current student from our school.

The lucky winner will be drawn on the day. Please encourage family and friends to buy a ticket for this great prize!



Something for nothing lucky Draw:

SAMSUNG GALAXY TAB 4 10.1 16GB WIFI RRP **\$559.00**

Have your name in and be there after auction for a chance to win. Open to everyone who attends
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Conditions of entry:

- Visitors must complete an entry form (these are free and no purchase is required)
- One entry per person
- Winner must be onsite to claim the prize at the end of the auction, otherwise it will be redrawn.

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Auction

This year the **LIVE AUCTION** starts at 11.00am outside **Room 1**. Gary Younger will be there to auction our collection of amazingly generous donations. We have worked hard as a team to bring you some seriously great items, and would like to say thank you to the generous support of local businesses and friends of the school.

Don't miss out, make sure you are there to bid.

The **Silent Auction** has even more generous donations of quality items. Absent bids are welcome, so come early and have a look.

Cash or Eftpos payments are required on the day.

Lots of Fun Activities

Some of your favourite rides are back again this year. We have the water walkers, vertical bungee, coconut shy, horse rides, face painting and many more.



We also have some new and exciting things this year. Come and try out our new bucking bull!

Room by Room

All rooms please bring grocery hamper items this week

Hangi

Remember to get your tickets from the school office.

This year the hangi is \$10.00 and includes chicken, pork, mutton chop, kumara, potato, pumpkin, cabbage, stuffing and fry bread

There are only 150 tickets, so be in quick to secure your hangi. Remaining tickets will be sold on the day from the Hangi tent.



Find us on
Facebook

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

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We appreciate the contribution of each and every one of our sponsors and supporters.

We would like to encourage parents and caregivers to show your support where possible by using the services of these businesses. Perhaps mention their support for our Gala when you are there.

You will have seen the logos and/or advertisements of our major sponsors in these newsletters, on various flyers/posters and of course our Facebook page.

You will see and hear more about these great local businesses on the big day.

For a full list of our sponsors and supporters please check out the Sponsors and Auction pages on the gala section of the school website: www.sfx.school.nz (click on "Our People/P.T.F.A/Gala 2015").



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We would like a lovely sunny day this year, so everyone remember to pray to St Joseph for fine weather.

Don't forget to invite Grandma, Granddad, cousins and friends. There will heaps to do for the whole family.

Parking may be busy so why not catch a bus. Check out the NRC website for details: <http://www.nrc.govt.nz/bus>

PS: Mums and Dads - The Coffee van is operating again so you can get your caffeine fix!

Gala wrap-up meeting..

Wednesday 25th March @ 7.00pm in the staffroom

Do you have some suggestions for next year?

If you can't make it to the meeting and have some ideas/thoughts on the gala, please send an email to sfxgala@gmail.com, or write them down and hand in to the Office.

All welcome.

Get more gala info on the website: www.sfx.school.nz

Once again, thank you to some of our Sponsors and Supporters of this year's Gala



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