



2016 Gala Update 1

Last year we raised \$50,000 - This year we need *your* help....

Save the Date! Saturday 19 March

December 2015



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Welcome to the first update for
the 2016 Gala.

The Gala is our largest
Annual fundraiser and these
newsletters are full of
Information about the big day.

Thank you in advance for
anything you can do to help.

Check out just some of what
the Gala and PTFA have
contributed to the school

- \$100,000 towards the new classroom block
- \$24,000 towards new classroom furniture
- Bibles for new families
 - Library books
 - Heat pumps

Meet Karen... Your new Gala Coordinator

Hi Everyone

I'm Karen Canning, your new Gala Coordinator for 2016. I was born & bred in Whangarei. I am married to John & we have 2 boys - James who is in Year 2 & Max who will be starting school in the New Year. I'm really looking forward to working alongside the fabulous team that makes up the Gala Committee. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the people who have already stepped up to take on positions in the committee, however we still need a few more. Please have a think about helping out, it is a great way for you to get involved with the school & meet new people, we'd love to have you on the team! To make the Gala a success, it takes support from our whole school community and I'm sure all together we'll make 2016 yet another successful Gala. Remember every volunteer hour and every dollar raised directly benefits our children.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year

Kind Regards, Karen

We really need help with...

Food Coordinator

This is an easy one... the lists are done all we need is someone to work through them and make sure everything is there on the day.

If you would like some more information about this role please contact Karen

Craft Stall Coordinator

Our popular craft stall needs stocking. There are people ready to help out there we just need someone to guide them. Interested? Please contact Karen.

Lucky Dip Coordinator

Help arrange the sorting and wrapping of the prizes. Please contact Karen

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!



New for 2016...

Next year we will be looking for a Classroom Parent Rep to help the teacher arrange Gala Activities for the each class.

Makes sense really. You have 20+ families in your class and a teacher to support you it couldn't be easier. It will be a great way to meet the families of your Child's class and help get involved in our big day.

Have a think about it over Christmas and we will be asking for volunteers early next year.

Donation Drive Info...

Some information for new families regarding our Annual Donation Drive. Each Friday in the weeks leading up to the big day we ask each family to donate something towards different areas of the Gala. More information and reminders will be in the weekly Gala Newsletters. We thought if we give you an idea of what is going to be asked for then families could get a head start during the holidays, if you see something on special:

- **Baking Ingredient Week:** these are given to our lovely team of bakers for Fudge, Sweets etc - *Butter, bag of sugar, tin of condensed milk or icing sugar*
- **Lolly Week:** these are made into Lolly Lei's, which are always a very popular stall at the Gala - *Bag of Wrapped Lollies*
- **Lucky Dip Week:** Another very popular Gala Stall - *small lucky dip prize*
- **Class Roster Week:** This will be a selection of items asked for to help towards the food stalls - *Serviettes, Cooking Oil, or Tomato Sauce etc*
- **Grocery Hamper Week:** All the items received will be included in the huge grocery hamper raffles - *any non-perishable food item*

If you have any spare Christmas Wrap left over our Lucky Dip Wrappers would be thankful for it.

Contact us...

General Queries	
Karen	438 3033 021 054 2172
Outdoor Rides	
Megan	437 7715 021 818 537
Auction Items	
Pamela	027 598 3222
Food Stalls	TBA
Sweets	
Kelli	027 3351495
Entertainment	
Chris	021 073 6106
Sponsorship	
Nikki	022 188 0363
Books	
Serena	435 6787
Toys	
Alison	021 027 57872
Lucky Dips	TBA
Plants	
Reg	437 5475
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Toys & Books

During the build up to the Gala we will ask for any preloved toys & books to sell at the Gala.

In the next Newsletter we will let you know drop off days, areas and times.

Why not get the kids to have a clean out during the holidays. Ask family & friends as well.

Contact Serena

Auction Goods

Remember the silent auction room

Any unwanted Christmas gifts?
Any good quality second hand items we could auction?

Keep the Auctions in mind before you throw out this Summer holiday.

Contact Pamela

Gala Signs

Do you live on a main road with private grass or fence area where a gala sign could be erected?

If so we would love to hear from you.

This would save us spending money on Council Sign Spots.

Contact Karen

Sponsorship

These have historically sold out very fast. If you're a previous sponsor and are happy to be back on board we would love to have you

If your new and interested in seeing what is available please find our sponsorship deals attached.

Contact Nikki

Food Stalls

If your family or friends have run a food stall in the past and are happy to do so again can you please contact Karen to let her know your availability.

If you have an idea for a stall and would like to show off your cooking talent please let us know.

Contact Karen

Wishing everyone a safe & happy Christmas Holiday



The next Gala Meeting is on

**Wednesday 10th February
7pm**

In the Staffroom. All welcome!

We will be posting confirmed Auction items and other exciting Gala news on our Facebook Page.

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