



~~~~~GALA NEWS~~~~~



2010 Gala Newsletter Week 4 Term 3.

5 WEEKS TO GO!

Sunday 19 September 11am-2pm.

The St James' School Gala is a whole school, whole community event. This is the BIG annual PTFA fundraiser that supports our children at St James'. Each week you will receive a Gala newsletter counting down to the **BIG DAY!** It will let you know of dates and each week's donation. If you have just joined us and this is your first Gala – welcome. It is great to have you on board!

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING?

We are definitely on a roll now! Thank you for your encouragement, enthusiasm and generosity! Keep it up St. James. Remember to look out for ideas for weekly donations in your mail. The weekend pamphlets are often full of great cost saving ideas. We also have a community collection bin in the front foyer of the Office for extra donations.



NEXT WEEK IS MUFTI FOR MYSTERY BOTTLE

Tomorrow is the last day for baking goods. As a treat we will have a Mufti Day next Friday 20 August in exchange for a bottle of ??? This can be anything in a bottle, but please no fizzy. Save the fizz for week 8. Suggestions include fancy sauces, marinades, oils, wine, bubble bath, shampoo, drink bottles, decorative bottles etc. It is not compulsory to wear mufti, but if you do, please place your bottle in your classroom collection bin on Friday. The mystery bottle is just that. Each bottle is placed in a brown paper bag, and punters purchase a bag not knowing what might be inside. It's a mystery!

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Leading up to the Gala we have donation weeks where we ask you for certain items. We ask that you donate each week, where possible. The table below outlines the week and type of item we need. We will remind you in the school newsletter what the donated goods are. Donations should be delivered to the classroom. Plan ahead and look out for flyers in your letterbox that may give you ideas. Shops such as Uncle Bills, The \$2 Shop, Dollars and Sense and Coin Save offer many low cost ideas. Check out the bargain bins and special racks at shops like K Mart, The Warehouse and even your own local supermarket. You may even have pre-loved or unopened gifts at home suitable for donations. This should not be stressful!!!! If you have been away or missed a weekly donation feel free to make your contribution and pop your donation in the collection basket in the front foyer of the School Office.

Term 3	What We Need
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mufti for Mystery Bottles. Friday 20 August eg wine, oil, bubble bath, vinegars etc <u>NO FIZZY PLEASE THIS WEEK</u>
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sweet Treats e.g. chocolates, fudge, specialty jams etc.
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheel and Raffle Items
Week 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIZZ. 1.5 or 2 litre bottles
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cakes and Sweets. Friday 17 September & Saturday 18 September. Please deliver baked items for the Cake and Sweet stalls.



RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffles are due now! A reminder that all raffles are to be sold, and returned to school now. Don't leave them lying in your bag. There are 10 tickets per book. It is our goal to sell all 300 books. Each ticket is \$2.00. Families are responsible for the value of each book. **IF BOOKS ARE LOST YOU ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR RETURNING THE MONEY.** Please sell your tickets as quickly as possible and return the money and raffle butts into the Gala Box in the School Office. **ALL books and money should be returned no later than Friday 20 August.** A big thank you to the sponsors of our Major Gala Raffle. They are Holme Fagan Trust, Bos Cleaning Supplies, Hotel Coachman and Galtex Fitzherbert. Your generosity is outstanding!

CHILDRENS CONTRIBUTION TO GALA

The children had a wonderful time on St James Day here at school creating their wonderful piece of art in celebration of Maori Language week. Thank you if you came in to assist especially in the Junior School. It was a very successful day. The artwork is mounted on a block and will be a very appealing addition to any home. All art will remain at school until after the final payment date. The cost of each piece will be **\$6.00 the same as last years GALA item.** To purchase your child/children's stunning piece of art please complete the tear off slip at the bottom of this newsletter and post it in the GALA box in the Office with your payment attached. Payment should be made by Friday 27 August. Unsold art will remain at school.



CONTAINER

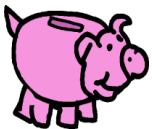
The container is here ready for your donations. You will have seen it is located in front of the hall and will be open Monday-Friday 9am-Noon. If the container is closed please take your donations to the doors at the back of the Hall. Don will sort through them and put them securely away in the container. All items are greatly appreciated, however, a friendly reminder we would like quality second hand goods only. **Please NO computers or televisions.**

This is Don's last week at St James'. The Gala Committee would like to thank him for all his help over the years with the build up and preparation of our School fundraiser. We wish him all the best. Please welcome ? to the Staff and to his first St James' Gala.



GALA DAY HELPERS

Calling for parent helpers continues. We need one parent per school family to commit to a stall on Gala Day to ensure stalls are well resourced and are successful on the day. Diana Kessler, our Gala Parent Co-Ordinator has called all homes, and where possible has left messages. Diana will continue to try and touch base with parents of whom she has not yet talked to, but it would be appreciated if you have been left a message, please kindly call Diana and let her know your availability. For those of you who have yet to talk with Diana, please also call if you are keen to help. Diana can be contacted on telephone: 323-2421. As Diana and her family are also busy folk, if you receive her answer phone, please leave a message detailing where you may like to work and a contact number, best time to return your call. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



WHAT WILL THE MONEY WE RAISE BE USED FOR?

It is the responsibility of the PTFA to manage the funds raised from the Gala. They take great care to listen to School and Board requests for funding and discuss through committee how funds will be spent. At present the PTFA have a commitment to the Board of Trustees and are funding the lease for the laptops, and the Junior Discovery Area (Phase 2 programmed for 2011). Funds from this years Gala will continue to support those projects.



WANTED

We are still on the hunt for the use of a large tent/marquee for the Front Field. We are also keen to get hold of at least another large gas hot plate suitable for cooking sausages and meat patties. If you can assist or offer help with these requests please contact Richard Mikkelsen directly ph. 3573139 / 027 2095832. We also need small baskets to make up gift baskets for the wheel. If you have any lying around you know longer need please deliver them to the School Office.

Thank you.

SPONSORSHIP

The more support and sponsorship we get the better our end result. If you know of anyone or any business that can offer financial support, donate a major prize, raffle item or goods to auction, please get in touch with Tina ph. 3298020 / 021 2044740 or Jacinta ph. 3544204 / 021 2054004. If the Businesses who have kindly indicated that they will drop items into the school, could start to do so over the next couple of weeks, we would greatly appreciate it. We thank you again for your generous support.

BIG TIME BAKERS

What happens with the baking donations? These donations go to the people in our community who have agreed to be *High Volume Bakers*. The Sweet and Cake stalls in the Hall are extremely popular. If you are keen to be a baker, sweet maker, or preserver call Lesley Williams ph: 3562269 (baking), Anne Madigan ph: 3550356 (sweets), or Kate Bell ph: 3540620 (preserves). We will let you know of any bake-off's in the coming newsletters.



CRAFT STALL

The craft ladies are already working away on many wonderful items in preparation for the Craft Stall. They are looking for donated items such as fabric, scrapbooking materials, large coffee or milo tins. Please drop your donations to the School Office, or call Tania Putu on ph: 3552810 if you have any questions.

FLY BUYS

If you have Fly Buy points you do not know what to do with – we would love them!! They can be turned into vouchers or items for donation. Alternatively you could purchase a reward that we could use on the Wheel or as a Raffle item.



RECYCLING

We take the School environmental focus of recycling seriously and have listed a number of items that we need; clean plastic shopping bags, clean ice cream containers and A4 photocopy boxes and lids, clean plastic food trays (not meat ones). Please start setting these aside if you haven't already.

COMMENTS

All the **SUPER** Gospel values of St James' are needed to make Gala a success. If you have any comments, can help in any way, or have an idea please share it with a committee member or place a note with contact details in the Gala Box in the School Office. Remember the committee is only a small group working behind the scenes. We need your help in making Gala 2010 a success.

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TOGETHER WE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!



GALA ART – Children's Contribution

To purchase your child/children's fabulous art please complete the order form and return it with the **correct** money to the GALA post box in the School Office. Payment must be received by **Friday 27 August**. Payment can be made by cheque or cash. Please make cheques payable to St James' School PTFA.

Name: _____ Telephone No. _____

Child's/Children's Name (list below)

Room

Quantity _____ x \$ 6.00 each = TOTAL \$

CHEQUE or **CASH** attached - please circle one