

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL Te Kura o Hato Hoani

MAIRANGI BAY, AUCKLAND

St John's Parents, Teachers and Friends Association "Nāku te rourou nāu te rourou ka ora ai te iwi."

With your basket and my basket, together we will thrive.

Kia ora koutou e te whānau!

Term One seems to have whizzed by and after a rather shaky, or should that be wet start, we now look forward to Easter and the school holidays.

Last week we had Frozen Friday, which was a huge success. There were many smiling faces around the school with a juicie (and sometimes even two!) firmly clutched in their hands. The sun shining made for a perfect juicie day. A massive thank you to everyone who purchased a juicie and I am pleased to report that we once again raised a very impressive **\$400**! As mentioned in the previous newsletter this money will kick start our COLA funds!



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There are a number of fundraising opportunities coming up throughout the year – so make sure that you have them in your diaries!

Friday 26th May - Fun Run

The children will be seeking sponsorship for this fun run around the school grounds.

Friday 21st July - Children's Disco

The highlight of the school year for many of our tamariki. DJ Ray will be back once again to provide the sounds and excitement. As with last year, there will be 3 sessions – Years 1 and 2; Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6. Sausages and drinks will be available for purchasing.

Saturday 22nd July – Casino Royale

This one is for the adults only! Las Vegas functions will be back again for a night of fun-filled entertainment. As with our previous Casino event, we invite companies to sponsor a table for \$200. This will see your company identified as a sponsor and enable your business to be included with all advertising associated with the event. Tables are limited, so if you would like to sponsor a table please email ptfa@simb.school.nz



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Friday 10th November – School Gala

This is our main fundraising event of the year and is the event where the whole school community comes together for some good old-fashioned gala fun! You don't want to miss this!

There will of course be some other fundraising activities sprinkled throughout the rest of the year, but these are the ones that you need to have in your diary!

It would be wonderful to see some new faces at our PTFA meetings – you are all warmly invited to attend.

PTFA Meeting dates for next term are: Tuesday 2nd May Tuesday 6th June

Meetings will be held at 7pm in the school hall.

Donate 4 Damien Fundraiser – After 9am Mass at St John's Church, Easter Sunday Damien Wannenberg, husband of Kim Wannenberg who used to be a teacher at St John's, has stage IV lung cancer and needs \$41,000 to afford life-saving treatment. There will be a BBQ, arts and crafts as well as cakes and other goodies available for purchase. The Parish, and Damien, would appreciate your support!

Finally, on behalf of the PTFA, thank you again for your generosity in our fundraising endeavours for this term. We look forward, with your help, to inching that little step closer to our COLA next term.

We wish you all a Happy and Holy Easter and a safe and relaxing holiday period.

Ngā mihi nui

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Amanda Dixon-McIver Chair, St John's PTFA