

Marist School PTFA

THE FIRST 2016 EDITION

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FREE!

WELCOME TO ANOTHER GREAT YEAR AT MARIST SCHOOL MT ALBERT!

The mission of the Marist School Parent, Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA) is to raise funds to support the school, promote the parish's pastoral care programme, and to organise events to foster a sense of community.

In 2015 the PTFA raised over \$35,000 to support school projects. Working with Catherine and the Board of Trustees the funds raised will go towards projects such as:

- Sports uniforms
- Classroom resources
- Musical resources
- Leavers' disco and crosses
- And lots more

This year we have a target to raise \$40,000 from sausage sizzles, the Easter Raffle, Quiz Night, a Spell-a-thon/Math-a-thon, a Night Market, and other smaller fundraisers.

2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- MARCH: Easter Raffle
- JUNE: Quiz Night
- AUGUST: Spell-a-thon/Math-a-thon
- SEPTEMBER: All School Disco
- NOVEMBER: Night Market
- SAUSAGE SIZZLES: last Friday of the month
- PTFA MEETINGS: second Monday of the month (except Feb meeting)

Exact dates and events to be confirmed throughout the year.

CLASS REPS

With the support of Catherine and the teaching staff, this year the PTFA are going to coordinate the introduction of class reps. We are looking for at least one parent from each class to volunteer as a class rep to help foster a sense of community within the school. Throughout the school year, the class reps will work with the class teacher to help coordinate:

- Parent volunteers to help with classroom activities (e.g. Discovery Time etc.)
- Class get togethers (fish and chips in the park etc.)
- Food collection for the Parish foodbank
- Collection of any special class resources (e.g. materials for costumes, tissues in winter etc.)

If you would like to put your hand up to be a class rep (either by yourself or with someone else), please contact your class teacher or Ali Payne (paynealis@gmail.com or 021 264 4834).

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Marist School is blessed to have a very active PTFA but every year parents move on so we are always looking for new parents to join in and help out.

You can commit as much or as little time as you want – some ways you could help out are:

- Come to a meeting and share your ideas (second Monday of the month, 7:15pm in the staff room)
- Help out with a lunchtime sausage sizzle (last Friday of the month)
- Donate a prize for the Easter Raffle or Quiz Night
- Volunteer to be a class rep
- Come along to the Quiz Night and Night Market
- Support the raffles, spell-a-thon and other fundraisers.

Many hands make light work so all help is gratefully received! If you would like to know more please contact Kathryn Jenner (kathrynjenner@gmail.com or 021 525 444) or Gerard Thompson (gerardt@barker.co.nz or 029 474 6660) or any other member of the PTFA see list and details on the school website:

www.marist.school.nz/our-parents-teachers-and-friends-group

Thanks for reading and we hope to see you soon!

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NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 9 FEB

MARCH AGM: WE ARE ELECTING A NEW CHAIRPERSON SO IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE COME ALONG.

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