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raised a massive \$26,000 for our school.

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Casino Royale was a hit in every way this year. The social event of the year proved to be just that with our Marist community getting together for some fun, faux gambling and dancing into the wee small hours of the morning.

We have the photos to prove just what a fun night it was and to top it off we



A very big thank you to everyone that donated their time, money and items for us to auction, your generosity is quite overwhelming.

Special thanks Anne & Emma Duncan from ADRE who sponsored the event, Neil Newman who travelled specially to run the live auctions for us and also to the very talented Aaron Ward our MC who kept the evening flowing just perfectly, and last but certainly not least to Donna de Qaasteniet and her army of helpers without whom this event would not have been possible.

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GETTING INVOLVED



The PTFA meet in the staffroom at 7:15pm on the second Tuesday of the month in term time. If meetings aren't your thing, there's still plenty of ways to get involved - every fundraiser needs a crew to help organise things and we also need regular helpers for the sausage sizzles on the last Friday of the month.

At the end of this year, a number of the PTFA's long-standing members will be moving on. Whilst they will be sorely missed, equally it creates an opportunity for a new group of parents with new ideas to get involved and run things - if you'd like to get in involved in organising things, we'd love to hear from you. There's plenty of activities to choose from...golf day, Easter raffle, Marist meals, Quiz Night, sausage sizzles, pancakes for Shrove Tuesday, second hand uniform sales, cards & calendars...

We would love to have some more helpers so if you want to get involved in some way please contact:

Gerard Thompson
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or any PTFA member.



Make sure you mark Friday 6 September in the calendar for the school disco.

Now firmly established as the social event of the kid's year, and kicking off Marist week, we'll be doing things a bit differently with a whole school celebration at the Mt Albert War Memorial Hall.

Keep an eye out for the a flyer in Term 3 - the Emoji Theme is bound to be a hit with the kids.

EMOJI DISCO



FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

FUNDRAISING



Thanks to everyone who have supported all the fundraisers this year – together we have already raised over \$40k – an impressive effort.

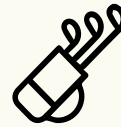
We haven't finished for 2019 yet though – we are currently organising a major "buy-a-brick" style fundraiser for Term 4. This will be an opportunity for our school community – past and present – to really get behind the new build to raise funds for outdoor works and resources. More details to follow in Term 3.

MARIST MEALS

Marist meals are an important part of the PTFA's pastoral care programme.

Each year the initiative has gone from strength to strength and so far in 2019 well over 50 ready-to-eat meals have been distributed to school families and to the wider parish.

Thanks to Ngaire and everyone who has helped to keep the freezer stocked.



GOLF DAY

Maungakiekie hosted us for our annual golf day again in March. There was a strong turn out with an impressive 16 teams taking part.

As well as being a great fundraiser, it was a fantastic social event, with a few beers being shared as the teams made their way around the course. The dinner and charity auction at the end rounded out a very successful day – well done to the Maristcrats who took out the 2019 trophy. Watch out for the next year's Golf Day early in Term 1.



The monthly sausage sizzles & hot dogs are always popular with the kids. There have been a few requests for Bonzer Burgers recently - we haven't done those in a while but they may well make a return in Term 3.

We are grateful for the generous support again this year from Jo Pickering of Barfoot & Thompson, Grey Lynn.



SHROVE TUESDAY

In March we had heaps of fun making pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. As well as the kids all having a go at making pancakes in their classrooms, the PTFA put the school BBQ to good use making over 600 pancakes for morning tea!

