

Paremata School PTA News – August 2011

Take a look at what the PTA achieved in 2010 and the first half of 2011 (with the help of many volunteers ☺) :

- The *new families committee* ran regular morning and afternoon teas and dessert evenings for the families of new children starting at school.
- Held two extremely successful *Pink Ribbon Pancake breakfasts* as school fundraisers and also to raise money for breast cancer in May 2010 and July 2011.
- Ran a *school disco* for children aged 5 to 9 years in August 2010. Our next disco is coming up on 13th August.
- Supported the Gala committee in running the *school gala* on 30th October 2010 which raised \$30,000!!!
- Organised *Christmas cards and calendars* using the children's photos and artwork.
- Ran a very successful *Christmas Carols & picnic* evening on December 2010.
- Ran a *family sports night* in February 2011.
- Prioritised a '*wish list*' of items to be purchased for the school using funds raised by the gala and PTA.
- Set up a second '*walking bus*' – with more to come.
- With funds raised we were able to purchase the following items for the school:

Shade sail for the stage area	Rugby/soccer posts for the field
Numeracy resources	Media suite
Student innovations fund (yearly)	Funding towards student Mana Island trip (yearly)
Newly landscaped garden outside hall	

We have also set up a '**friends of the PTA**' list. These are people who do not wish to be on the PTA but are happy to be contacted occasionally to help out with the events that we run. If you would like to join the 'friends of the PTA', please fill in your details below and return this form to the office.

Yes, I'd like to have my name included on the 'friends of the PTA' list. I understand that this means I will get called on occasionally to help out at school events.

Name: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

If you would like to be part of making decisions for our school and your children, then we would love to have you as part of the PTA. If you have a couple of hours free per month to come to meetings, please come along. The meeting dates are on the school website. If you like more information please call Lynette Anquetil on 2330972.