



PAREMATA SCHOOL PTA END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER



Thank you thank you thank you

Well it's the end of 2015 and time to reflect and appreciate the year. A big thank you to all our event organisers, especially those people who have stepped up to take on new jobs this year, and thank you to all who have come along to the various PTA-organised events, and supported the school. It was awesome to go to the Christmas Carols last week and see Sara Norling and team having taken over from Jo Newland; and we know that the disco is in good hands next year with Jacinta Wawatai taking over after Michelle Block's many years of organisation. This year has also seen the inaugural Paremata School Quiz night, with Karen Tonks and team. Thank you also to Tanya Revill who created the terrific spread sheet which has helped us keep track of people who have volunteered in all their various capacities; it will be utilised again next year!

Gala helpers leaving the school

We wanted to acknowledge the parents, caregivers and grand-parents who have helped out for many years, and whose connection with the school finishes at the end of this year. We've had some stalwarts on the gala committee and others who have regularly sacrificed lots of time each year to contribute, create and organise:

Allison McGuigan
Carey & Jo Tuohy
Fenella & Jason Christy
Karyn & Peter Smith (also leaving the PTA)
Marion Dowling
Nicky Aldridge (also leaving the board)
Richard & Sue Witheford-Smith
Suzanne & Tony Moreno

Amber Shannon & Aaron Fyfe (also leaving the PTA)
Claire & Ross Giblin
Jason Tia
Kathy Pym
Michelle & Keith Block
Paul Garrett
Stella Obren
Theresa & Craig Ready (also leaving the PTA)

Apologies if we've somehow missed your name from this list; we really do appreciate everyone's efforts. A huge pakipaki to you all for your tremendous effort, generating resources to keep Paremata School's attitude equalling its altitude.

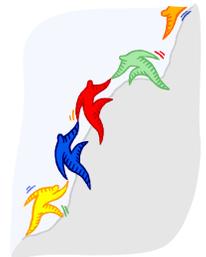
Gala funds

The funds raised this year have been ear-marked for some items to improve the school environment, so watch this space for the new items to appear at school in the new year.

Last but not least... the PTA needs you!

With a number of people leaving as you can see, we are currently down to 4 members, plus teacher representatives. Meeting commitment is relatively low, meeting twice a term with a pool of other helpers to draw from. Without the PTA there would be no:

- School sports night
- Pancake Breakfast
- School Disco
- Quiz Night
- Chocolate Bingo
- New Parent Morning Tea
- Gala



Please consider over the summer holidays putting your hand up and having a say in how these events are run.

Thank you again, and have a safe and happy holiday,

Best wishes from Julie Morris, PTA Chair, and Marilyn Hunt, 2015 Gala Co-ordinator