S'Mart Community

The S'Mart Community is the St Martins School parent community (replacing the PTA and fundraising committees) that helps the school by fundraising, giving practical support and by helping develop a stronger parent community. Check out our website for more details: https://www.smartcommunity.org.nz/

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Kids growing? Uniform still got some life left? Maybe you'd like to bring any second hand uniform you want sold, alongside the Library's Scholastic Book Sale on 15th - 17th March.

If you have items to sell you can hand it into the office any time, but at the latest on **Tuesday 14**th **March**. There is a small commission of a gold coin for this service.

Items for sale must be <u>clean</u>, and have an <u>envelope attached to each separate item</u>. (There will be safety pins and envelopes provided in the office if you need them.) **The envelope must have:**

- Your name and contact details either email or phone number.
- How much you want for the item if we don't know, we can't sell it on your behalf.
- Gold coin sellotaped on to the envelope- as small fee for selling. (this is non - refundable)

As a general guide, when you are working out what you might want to price your item at, people do not usually want to pay more than half the original price. Prices like \$5, \$10 & \$20 etc are easy money wise as people will have those denominations in their wallet. Remember, a reasonably priced item will sell quicker than a higher priced item.

The sale is open from 8:30am - 9am and 2:30pm – 3:15 pm Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th and Friday 17th March in the school library.

This is a **cash only** service.

If your item is sold, we will let you know that your money is in the office to be collected by you. If your item is not sold, we'll be in touch to ask you whether you want to item returned to you, left on rack awaiting the next sale or donated to the school - to then be handed out at their discretion. Trade Me may take the commission after, we're taking it before.

Your donation goes toward the Jubilee Trust, which promotes the learning and development of students at the school (see http://www.stmartins.school.nz/community/st-martins-school-jubilee-trust/ for more details)

Fundraising meeting – tonight!

Come along to the first fundraising team meeting of the year and find out what it's all about

TONIGHT, 7:30 pm at The Brickworks

Sales and Marketing people who could help with ideas to sell the cookbook especially welcome! If you're keen, but can't make the meeting let Jo know (fundraising@smartcommunity.org.nz)

TOMMORROW! Fortnightly Friday morning catch-up

From 8:30am and after you've dropped the kids off, grab a free hot drink from the Hall kitchen and have a chat and laughs with other school parents and caregivers - a great way to get to know more people!

Class Parent Reps – what is it all about?

Class parent reps are the core of the Community Team with a key role to initiate events so that people from your child's class can get to know each other better. This could be something as simple as a parent catch-up at Fava, or a class playdate at the Adventure Playground, to organising a class or pod family takeaway night.

The community team (parent reps and co-leaders) aims to meet once per term (evening time) to share ideas about class/pod activities and help organise (working in with Practical jobs team where needed) school wide community events such as the Back to school family picnic (Term 1) and the ever-popular School Disco (in conjunction with the St Martins School Student Council, Term 2).

Other roles for parent reps are to help spread the word about S'Mart Community events (e.g. family events, Ladies Nights, Dads Nights, room/pod/syndicate events, fundraising events, end of year celebration etc.) so they and their families can be involved.

Generally, we aim for one Parent Rep per Class but feel free to pair-up with a friend!

Many classes are missing a Parent Rep so for more info and to put your name forward, please email Sarah or Julie c/o community@smartcommunity.org.nz

Keep the date free

S'Mart Community Annual General meeting 29th March, 7:30 pm School Hall.

Come along and be a part of making things happen to help our kids' learning opportunities and to grow our school community!

S'Mart Community managing committee - nominations now open!

If you're keen to be involved in making events like the back to school picnic happen, fundraising, or practical jobs then why not get involved in the S'Mart Community managing committee? The current managing committee will be standing down prior to the AGM so all positions are open! Some people will be moving on (and huge thanks for all their effort!) so some roles will remain vacant unless filled by new faces!

Roles that will be vacant:

Treasurer - keeps track of where the money goes! - especially great for those financially experienced! (this year is not a fiesta year so it's a bit quieter!)

Fundraising team co-leader (2) - leading the fundraising team to decide on what fundraising activities could be run, and running them! Generally 1 meeting/term, and then as events require.

Practical jobs team co-leader (1) - working bee co-ordinator - working with others to organise 1 working bee per term.

Community co-leader (1) - helping to co-ordinate community events and working with class parent reps for class/pod events. Generally 1 meeting/term.

Committee member (up to 6) - get to see what it's all about! And help to decide the direction of fundraising and S'Mart Community activities.

Of course if you are keen for any of the other positions we'd love to receive your nomination! Chair -co-ordinating S'Mart Community events and direction.

Secretary - recording minutes of the meetings.

Practical Jobs co-leader - organising practical support for events, activities as required.

The Managing Committee aims meet 1/term Terms 1&4 and 2/term for Terms 2&3 for 1-2 hrs depending on what needs to be discussed (we try to keep it to 1 hr!).

If you're keen to be involved, nominate yourself, or have someone else nominate you using the form below and return to the office by 3:30 pm Mon 13th March

Name of nominated person: Phone number: Email address:

Circle the role(s) you are nominating the person for:

- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Co-leader for the Practical Jobs Team
- Co-leader for the Community Team
- Co-leader for the Fundraising Team
- Up to 6 other parents to be part of the Committee

Nominator: (can be self)

Name of seconder: