

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/>

We're pleased to announce...

The S'Mart Community Management Committee is pleased to announce that the S'Mart Community has donated:

- \$5,000 to support the new sports uniforms, which are in the process of being rolled out!
- \$2,000 to support Garden to Table activities,
- \$1,700 to support the purchase of the 2016 set of World Book Encyclopaedia for the Library,
- \$1,000 to the St Martins Jubilee Trust (if you don't know about this check out <http://www.stmartins.school.nz/community/st-martins-school-jubilee-trust/>)
- AND we're supporting the BBQ being held after the Weetbix tryathlon this weekend!!!

this is on top of the \$8,500 for heat pumps installed in the Hall last December, and around \$55,000 in the bank for school hall redevelopment (and there is the potential for an additional ~\$40,000 to be raised via cookbook sales – *Sales and Marketing folk we need you!*).

Thanks for your hard work in helping to raise funds!

Speaking of fundraising.....

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

Thursday 9th March, 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 grab a free hot drink from the Hall kitchen and have a chat and laughs with other school parents and caregivers after you've dropped the kids off - a great way to get to know more people!

If you have a spare coffee plunger you could donate to the S'Mart Community for use at the fortnightly catch-ups, let Kate (kate.hodgins16@gmail.com) know ASAP!

TOMMORROW! Back to school family picnic

Family Picnic



Friday 24 Feb 4:30pm

By adventure playground

300 free sausages thanks to the BOT

Twirly Potato Man, Mr Whippy and a coffee van

Bring picnic, picnic blanket, warm jacket.

Wear togs and bring towel for slippery slide.

Slippery slide: While there will be a parent letting children know when they can start, parents need to take responsibility for their own children on this activity.

*** Parents please take a turn helping out at the slippery slide, bouncy castles, or BBQ. ***

SHARE – the St Martins School Cookbook will be available at the school picnic (**cash sales only**) – it's a great opportunity to see why we've received rave reviews about the cookbook!

If you're keen to know more about S'Mart Community activities, and what the community, practical jobs and fundraising teams do then come and see members of the Management Committee at the cookbook sales (along with some of the Cookbook team)

Parent Reps

Would you like to be one of the parent reps for your child's class to help organise family fun events, help with the disco, listen out for families in need of support and if you want, organise parent café catch ups? Please email your name, child's name and phone numbers to

community@smartcommunity.org.nz

Interested in the details?

Now that the operation of the S'Mart Community has bedded in a little more, some changes to the S'Mart Community constitution have been proposed to ensure the constitution reflects the way the S'mart Community operates. These changes will be voted on at the AGM - you can take a look at the proposed changes at the Office.

Keep the date free...

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

Come along and find out more of what the S'Mart Community is about and how you can be involved.