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TOUCH RUGBY ALERT!

Another exciting season of touch rugby is coming soon to a child near you!

But... we can't run a successful competition this season without your help. It's a team effort! So we're keen to get some support in the following areas:

- 1. Referee Supervisor someone to oversee the referees on the Thursday nights. This role involves being at Waltham Park at 4.15pm to check if the refs have their score cards, know their fields and rove to support the refs during the night. Full training will be given.
- 2. People for the information tent. Helpers to show players and parents where their fields are, give out certificate packs, first aid and some other cool tasks.
- 3. Someone to help with pack down at the end of the night and collection of gear, returning it to school the following day.

Email smart.touch@stmartins.school.nz if you are able to help in any way.

Everyone's talking about the up-coming competition in term 4. It's been great to see children and parents organising teams and parents helping with management and coaching. Thank you to those who have given their time to help with this.

For those children who would like to be in a team and parents who want to coach, but don't have a team, please email **findateam@smartcommunity.org.nz** and we will endeavour to put you in a team.

Remember entries close on **25 September** – the last day of term 3.

Enter on: www.sporty.co.nz/smarttouch

We look forward to seeing you down at Waltham Park next term! Team Touch



BEEN BAKING LATELY?

Did you know the S'Mart Community has a Meals Database of parents who are willing to make meals for families who could do with some extra support in times of need? If you would like to be added to this list, so we can ask you every now and then if you can make a meal, all you have to do is send your email address to: communications@smartcommunity.org.nz and put 'Meals' in the subject line.

We also have a **Baking Database** that gets asked to help with baking for events like the movie night and S'Mart Celebration as well as help families in need. If you would like to be part of this particular database, please email: communications@smartcommunity.org.nz and put 'Bake' in the subject line.

If your family is in need of support due to a crisis, please feel very welcome to ask for help via meals@smartcommunity.org.nz

KIWI FLYER

Didn't we say this is a fun movie for the whole family? And great to see everyone there enjoying a night out. Thanks to Tony Simpson also for sharing with us the background to the making of the movie and allowing the screening of Kiwi Flyer.

SHOW ME THE MONEY!

The S'Mart Community raises money all year round through various fundraising events, but what actually happens with all that money? Well, check out this wee shopping list...

iPads for class use (\$8,000), new digital piano for music classes and performances (\$2,000), button cushions and lap trays to support the collaborative learning environment (\$6,000) and wet day games for classes (\$100/class). We've also committed funds for a class set of ukuleles, Apple TV for the library, art smocks for year 5-6, new sandpit toys, aprons for Garden to Table and Year 8 yearbooks.

Various projects are still in progress including a new school sports flag, school noticeboards and soccer goals for the lower field.

And because we're responsible people, we canned that trip to Hawaii by private jet, but instead are carrying \$15,000 over into next year to support the rebuild.

But it's not just about the money... many of our events such as the Fiesta, Movie Night, School Disco, and Touch Rugby are about building the school community spirit, as well as fundraising.

We would love to hear your ideas about what funds should be raised for or events you would like to see. The recent Business, Services and Skills Expo was an idea put forward by a parent... O for awesome! Send your ideas to info@smartcommunity.org.nz – or have a chat to a Managing Committee member.

CALENDARS & CARDS REMINDER

Imagine a whole year without your child's unique and personalised calendars, cards, diaries and/or mouse pads. That would be a disaster! So don't miss out: **orders are due back on 18 September!**