

OMG, it's an AGM...

You are keen to be involved? Keen to make a big difference? Or you just want to help out every now and then and be part of our great community. It's not about how much time you can put in, 'cause every little bit helps and it's completely up to you.

Perhaps you just want to find out a bit more first. That's cool. Perhaps you just want to put forward some wild ideas and suggestions. Whatever drives you, don't be shy and make your way to the

S'Mart Community Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 22 March 2016 7:30pm, St Martins School Hall

HOT NEWS!!! The school rebuild will start this year! At the AGM **Rob Callaghan** will talk about the next steps in the rebuild process and how you can be involved and contribute. Don't miss it!

And let's not forget we have to vote for a new Management Committee too. The current nominees are:

Chair: Jo Bethell
Secretary: Kate Hodgins
Commmunity co-leader: Julie Young

Treasurer: ...

Practical job co-leaders (2): ...

Fundraising team co-leaders (2): ...

Community team co-leader (1): ...

General committee member: ...

Nominations for all the above positions can still be made all the way up to the AGM itself. Being a co-leader does not mean you have to do everything, but rather work with bands of willing helpers to organise events and activities. The more people involved the easier it is!

We're also looking for people who can assist with communications (newsletter and/or website). So if you are interested email chair@smartcommunity.org.nz

Plus there will be drinks and nibbles... so it's all good. See you there!

FIESTA TIME!

Early heads up so you won't double book: **Saturday 19 November...** it's **Fiesta** time! Our largest fundraising and community event, held every second year. Guaranteed fun!

PRESERVE FO' LIFE... (and Fiesta)

For the Fiesta this year we are looking to have a huge supply of preserves for sale. And guess what? Now is a great time to bottle or make jams, pickles and relishes. Alternatively you might have an abundant supply of fruit or vegetables that could be used. Did you know lemons are a key component of any preserve making? Lemons are our favourite and are most welcome!

And then there's jars. We love jars too and need lots of them. Glass jars. Lots and lots of them. So if you have clean glass jars suitable for preserves, please place them in the box in the office. Thank you!

If you can donate any of these ingredients, or are keen to help but need some jars, contact Jo Bethell via **fiesta@smartcommunity.org.nz**

SPEAK NOW... OR FOREVER HOLD etc. etc.

Don't forget to have your say about the S'Mart Community events and activities in our survey: www.surveymonkey.com/r/FJXHWNW by Tuesday 15 March. It'll only take a few minutes and you're guaranteed to go in the draw to win some extra good Karma.

PARENT REPS PAVING THE WAY

Our first parent rep meeting for the year is **Tuesday 22 March**, **7:00pm** in the school staffroom. We will then go to the S'Mart Community AGM in the hall together.

Parent reps are still needed for Rooms 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23. Please come along to the meeting if you are interested.

MEALS & BAKING

The S'Mart Community maintains a meals database to help families in crisis and also a baking database to help families and cater for events. We're always on the lookout for more people on the databases. Please email **info@smartcommunity.org.nz** if you are willing to help every now and then.

If you're ever going through a rough patch and you and your family could do with some additional support. Don't hesitate to email **meals@smartcommunity.org.nz**

UNIFORM AROHA

Some families appreciate a bit of help with uniforms. If your little ripper has outgrown yet another piece of uniform while it's still in a good wearable condition, please drop it off at **Diane** in the office.