

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/>

Raffle

Thank you for your keenness and outstanding efforts towards selling the Raffle Tickets! The \$20 you collect from each book sold is a huge benefit to our fundraising goals and will bring us so much closer to redeveloping the school hall.

It's not long now until all money and filled-in ticket stubs need to be returned. You only have until the end of next week (**Friday, August 17th**) to bring these into the Office!

Don't forget that prizes are in place for top sellers!

The raffle will be drawn at the School Quiz Night on the 26th August...

Quiz Night!

Take a night off on Sunday 26th August, from 7-9:30pm, and join us for the St Martins School Quiz Night at the Christchurch Casino - an evening of fun, facts, and friendly competition. Get together a table of your most trivia-addicted friends, or let us find you a table to join.

Great prizes to be won, lots of delicious things to nibble and drink from the bar menu, and a fabulous silent auction.

The excitement is building! Don't get left behind - buy your ticket today, and get ready for the most fun night you'll have this term!

Tickets available at the school Office. Please bring cash or pay online to the S'Mart Community Account:

12-3147-0420521-00. Please use 'QUIZ' and your name as reference.

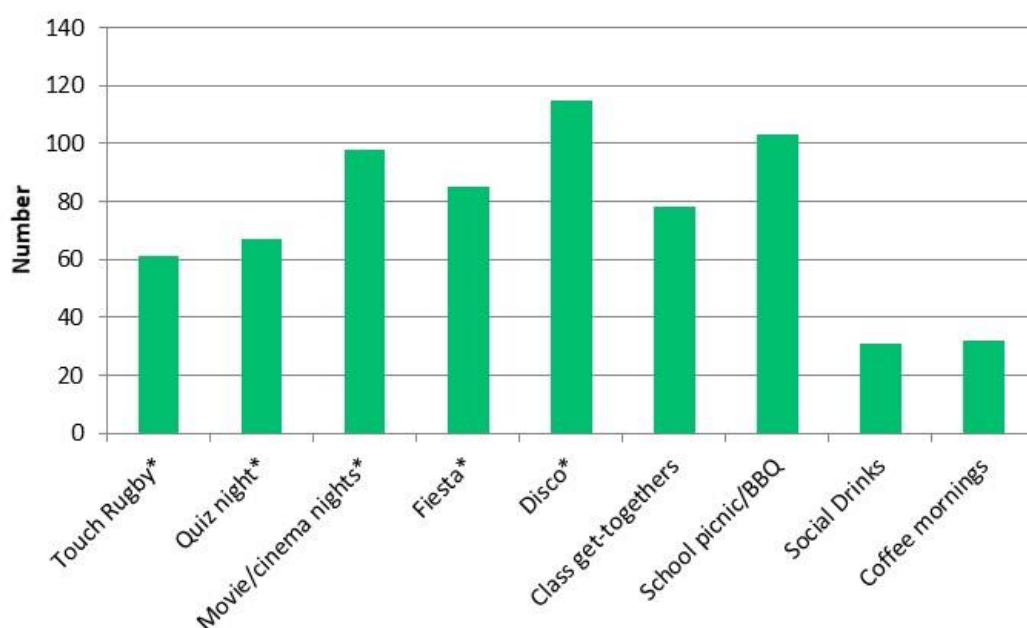


What you said.....

Thanks to those 160+ people who filled out the survey – that’s a great response! – and congratulations to Anna Clothier for winning the \$25 FAVA voucher, and to Room 15 for being the class with the most responses returned – they win a \$30 voucher for class games!

We’re really happy that you find the newsletter informative, although you weren’t so aware of the website – which contains lots of information about S’Mart Community Activities (check it out if you haven’t already... <https://www.smartcommunity.org.nz/>)

The events you and/or your children were keen to participate in were:

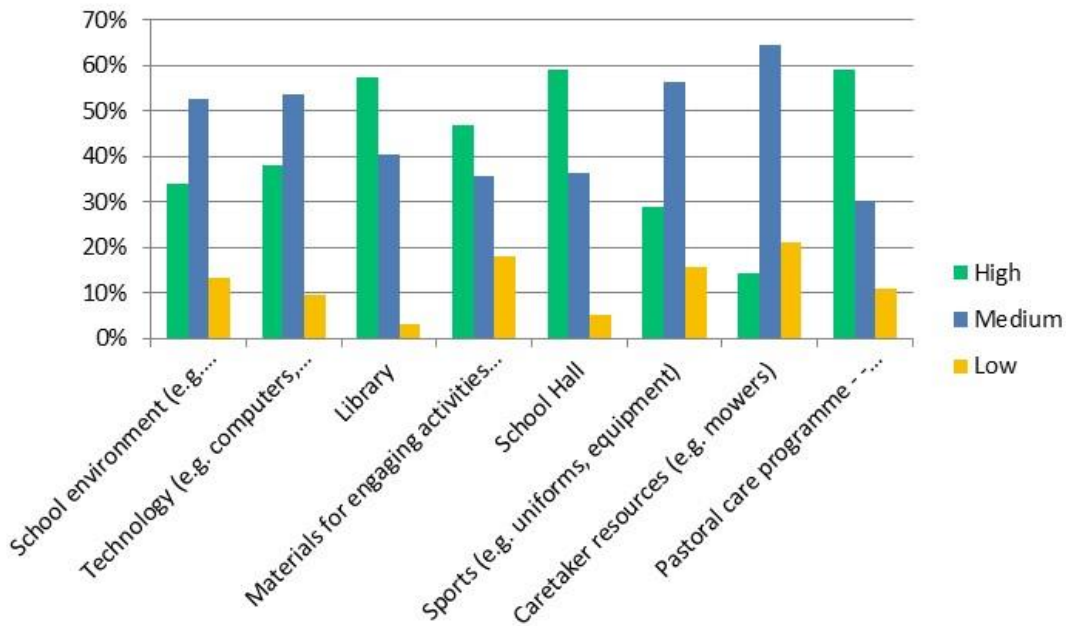


(The * events indicates those that are fundraisers too)

Raffles and calendars and cards were the stand-out fundraising activities you were keen to support....and slightly ironically a fun run and chocolate sales were equally supported as the next most popular fundraising activities!some of you said you would prefer to pay a donation... so make sure you’ve paid your school donation!

Participating in school maintenance and improvement activities was less popular, with many people skipping this question – but there was reasonable support for attending working bees, and second-hand and uniform sales were popular.

Below is shows where you would like to direct the funds raised ..with the School Hall redevelopment, Pastoral care programme and materials for engaging activities during the rebuild considered the top priorities.



You said you really valued a ***strong and active parent community*** it takes people to make **that happen** and below is how you said you'd like to help.....we'd love to hear from more people about how you'd like to help.....email us at info@smartcommunity.org.nz to let us know which events or how you're keen to help withor come along to our next meeting later in Term 3... and help us to continue to be a strong and active parent community..

