

PTA NEWS

November 21, 2011 Meeting

The PTA had its final meeting of the year in the multipurpose room this week.

There was a lot to discuss as the last few weeks of the school year are very busy!!

Items discussed:

Upcoming Term 4 events:

The school is in full **production** mode now with rehearsals happening often and the shows happening on the 7th and 8th of December.

A **Flower show** is being organised. This will be held at school. It will include favourites like sand saucers, vege animals, creative containers, and possibly button holes etc. Parents will be invited to come down after lunch to view the flowers and enjoy the Maori concert which will be happening that afternoon.

Annual PTA Fun Day - This will be held on Monday 12th December from 11.30am until 2pm. The PTA will be supplying a **FREE** lunch of sausages in bread, followed by an ice block at the end of the day. It will be a fun water play afternoon with a range of activities happening on a rotational basis. Activities included are waterslides, bouncy castles, obstacle courses, sack races, 3 legged races and more! The waterslide, castle and obstacle course have been kindly donated for use by Smile Inflatables. This will be a massively fun day for the children, so a huge thank you must go to Smile Inflatables for helping us out with this.

Children will need to bring their togs.

We will need some helpers to help cook sausages or supervise an activity. If you are able to help with this, please email Jackie on craigandjackiegriffin@ihug.co.nz

The **Leavers Night and Sports Prize giving** is happening on December 14. The PTA will be providing the tea, and coffee, etc. We are hoping families attending will bring a plate. The jolly red man - yes Santa himself! will be making an appearance and handing out lollies to the children.

A schedule of upcoming events went out with this week's school newsletter.

General Items of discussion included:

Movie Night: This is an event that has run in the past, however due to changes in circumstances, it may not be as 'easy' to organise in future. PTA will relook at the possibility of running movie nights in future at a future meeting.

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Calf Club Day: A few more ideas were noted for next year's calf club day and we will possibly be able to have a separate ring for kids if needed. We have the opportunity to borrow some scrim to allow that. Will depend on the availability of extra judges etc. The PTA has sent out thank you cards to all calf club and group day sponsors and also to Neville and Carole Woodcock for supplying lambs to families and helping with info days etc. All in all both days were very successful.

Tee Ball Competition Days: These days by all accounts were very successful. The lunches PTA organized were very well received, especially by those children whose schools don't normally offer lunches so ours were very much appreciated.

Rugby World Cup: This was a huge fundraising opportunity for the PTA to help again with the Pool Fund. Thanks very much to Helen Singers for organising this. We raised a whopping **\$10,480.52** incl GST!! – An amazing figure, so thank you very much to all those who were involved in this! A cheque will be presented to Tauwhare School at an upcoming school assembly.

The Pool Pavers: A sample of the pool pavers was shown with the engraving; they look fantastic, and will look amazing and be a real feature for years to come.

Pool Fund Money Transfer: The end of year money transfer to the board for the Pool Fund was organised to be done.

\$32,000 has been raised by the PTA this year for the Pool Fund – an awesome effort!! The PTA would like to thank all who have helped out throughout the year.



Christmas joy warms the heart

*THE PTA HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT CHRISTMAS AND A FUN
NEW YEAR*

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND WE WILL SEE YOU BACK IN 2012!

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