



Dairy Flat School

# PTA Newsletter

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**JUNE 2011**

## **SWIMMING LESSONS**

Most of you will have seen the emailed link to the online survey about swimming lessons at the school. This was a great suggestion from one of our parents – love those! The basic concept is that for a reasonable fee, qualified swim instructors would come into the school, and during your child's scheduled pool time, give them swimming instruction. The idea being to not just keep costs down, but after school running around down too.

## **DISCO FEVER**

We've had lots of support for this fun social evening for our children. Thank you to the eleven swingin' sisters and groovy guys who have already put their hands up. There is always room for more grown-ups as our energetic offspring get their funk on, so contact Trish Hunter on 426 2249 if you feel like putting on your party pants.

Keep your coins Mum and Dad, there are loads of lovely little treats and treasures to buy at our sports themed disco on July 8. Glow sticks, finger rings, nail painting, sausage sizzle, snacks and drinks galore will be on sale. Your \$5 per child fee will cover the cost of entry and a complimentary sausage is thrown in for good measure. Coffee, tea and cake will be available for parents who want some respite from the downstairs mayhem... so save a couple of coins for yourself too!

## **A YEAR TO REMEMBER**

Calendars are in the pipeline again for this year so you can celebrate the creative genius that is your child for all of 2012. The Kiwiana themed art to be immortalised will be created around September.

## **HOT DIGGITY DOG!**

As a warming winter treat, the PTA will be doing a Hog Dog lunch on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> of June. Order forms will be sent home this Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup>. If anyone would like to volunteer their services for an hour or so on Friday, please get in touch with Tim Murphy 021485415.

## **MAKING OUR MONEY WORK FOR THE KIDS**

The PTA are proud to let you all know that \$5356 of hard earned fundraising dollars has been donated to the school for the purchase of an Excellence Board, Learning resources in the shape of math text and reading books, and the Quick 60 Programme. Wonderful resources for our school!

The Sushi and Moosie day made a profit of \$120.

# AG DAY

## WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

The oh-so-fabulous Cherie has channelled her not inconsiderable energy into the addition of a White Elephant Stall for Ag Day. While these are a popular attraction at many school gala days, they are not without their innate challenges, so for this year it is limited to Books, Toys and Clothing only.

So as you make an intrepid journey through the jungle of your kids rooms, thoughtfully examine the fire hazard of cluttered treasure in your attic, and wriggle your fingers in anticipation of a spring clean, think of us! If you simply can't wait until September and would like to donate your unused hoard right away, contact Cherie Nelson on 427 5295.

## DO YOU KNOW A SHINING STAR?

We would really love to invite someone with some celebrity in New Zealand along to our Ag Day. If you know someone that we could approach, please contact Sharlene Jones on [Sharlene@kidscan.org.nz](mailto:Sharlene@kidscan.org.nz)

## VOLUNTEERS!

Can you paint a face? Have a handy teenager that can? We need some creative parents/siblings/cousins/neighbours/Aunties to step forward and volunteer for this popular stall. We've said it before and we'll say it again. We need your help, and we're not choosy. Please contact Dana Murphy [Cankiwi@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Cankiwi@xtra.co.nz) if you can supply a body for this lucrative stall.

## DESPERATELY SEEKING EVEL KNIEVEL

Well not quite – actually we're after another quad bike and rider who will sensibly drive around in circles and not break anyone's bones. If this Ag Day duty sounds like you, then give Martin a tinkle on [marti.lara@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marti.lara@xtra.co.nz)

## BAA BAA DAIRY FLAT HAVE YOU ANY LAMBS?

Three lambs are required to spit roast for Ag Day. So far Lisa Hopper has very generously donated one. If anyone has a spare lamb floating around a paddock somewhere we would be very grateful! Just let Treve know, and stand back to bask in the glow of your warm reception [mike.treve@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mike.treve@xtra.co.nz)

## AND A LITTLE MORE BEGGING JUST FOR FUN...

Brother a butcher – can he donate a little meat? Sister in retail – can she get us a voucher or two? Are you a sparky, a chippie or an accountant – and can donate a few hours of your professional services? If anyone has skills, projects or items they would like to offer, your kind donation would be very much appreciated. The more we have, the more money we make for our children! Tim Murphy is the man to see or email him on [cankiwi@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cankiwi@xtra.co.nz).

**Next PTA Meeting July 11 (7pm, staff room)**

**Next Ag Day Meeting July 8 (9am, staff room)**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT 😊**