



## Newsletter 4 – Friday 16 February

We have just over 2 weeks to go until the gala! Thanks to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer, it is the donation of your time and energy that makes Ngaio School gala such a great event. Here are this week's key things to note:

- Drop off for items for the [clothing stall](#) is **TODAY** and Sunday
- Drop off for items for the [toy and book](#) stalls start next week
- Please remember to [sign up to volunteer](#) - [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) (code is **2ycnr**)
- We are looking for contributions to our [craft stall](#) – can you help?
- We are looking for [sweet makers and donations of ingredients](#) – can you help?
- Have you got [large boxes or scary decorations](#)? We need them for the scary room please
- [Raffle tickets](#) should have come home with your eldest child – if you need more let us know
- Our [deli stall](#) needs some volunteers to make lemon honey, hummus and fresh bread

### Drop off – clothes, toys and books

We would love your good quality goods for these stalls. Please see below for the specific details about what we are looking for, where to take them and when, and what we can't accept.

	<b>Clothing</b>	<b>Books</b>	<b>Toys</b>
<b>What we need</b>	Good quality used clothes and shoes (adults and kids)	Good quality used books and DVDs for all ages	Good quality toys, games, puzzles
<b>Where to take it</b>	Prefab closest to the swimming pool and Abbott Street	Room 18 (old Clinic, classroom closest to Colway St entrance)	Prefab closest to the stage
<b>When to take it</b>	Today between 3pm and 6pm or Sunday (18 <sup>th</sup> ) between 1pm and 4pm	Sunday 25 February between 1pm and 4pm or Friday 2 March between 3pm and 6pm	Sunday 25 February between 1pm and 4pm or Friday 2 March between 3pm and 6pm
<b>What we can't accept</b>	Lingerie, swimwear and stained/ripped clothing	Magazines	Incomplete games or puzzles

If you have goods to donate but can't get to the school during these times, please contact Celia at [celiaruthhorner@gmail.com](mailto:celiaruthhorner@gmail.com) or on 027 440 5596.

We currently do not have a co-ordinator for the white elephant stall so may not be able to offer that at the gala this year. If you can help in this role please contact Celia ASAP. If we do get a co-ordinator we will advise drop off details for the white elephant in the next newsletter.

## Volunteer sign up

A reminder that the online system for volunteers is open now. All the stalls and activities at the Gala are run by parent volunteers – the more volunteers we have, the less everyone needs to do. If you haven't signed up already, please go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter the code **2ycnr** and follow the steps to volunteer for a shift on a stall.



If you are not able to help at the Gala, it would be helpful if you could go onto the website and mark yourself as unavailable. This will save us following-up with families who are not available.

Things to note about the online booking system:

- The booking times on the website are just an indication. Your stall coordinator will contact you closer to the Gala to confirm timings.
- One email address can be used to make up to two volunteer bookings.
- If two parents from one family are making a booking with the same email address, you will only be able to input one name for both bookings. We can update the names for you in time.
- You are not able to book two people (using one email address) for shifts at the same time. Again, if this affects you, please email us and we will sort this out for you.

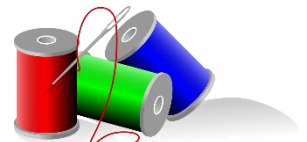
Any issues, concerns or comments, please email [ngaigalavolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:ngaigalavolunteers@gmail.com) or talk to Emma Mills or Bindy Tatham at school.

## Class competitions

Thank you to everyone who brought items for the class competitions. The winning class for the lucky dip competition was Room 15 (Mrs O'Halloran's class). We will announce the winning class for the tombola competition in next week's newsletter.

## Craft stall

We would love contributions to our popular craft stall. In previous years people have made items like skirts, pencil cases, bags, wands, origami, cushion covers, aprons, peg doll kits, story stones, masks and jewellery. If you have items that you would like to add to the stall, please get in touch with Jane Hudson at [janelouisehudson@hotmail.com](mailto:janelouisehudson@hotmail.com).



If you need fabric for your creations, there is a fabric box in the school office. Please help yourself.

## Sweet stall

We now have a sweets coordinator (Bridgette Catherwood) and she would love donations of sugar, icing sugar, condensed milk and golden syrup (please drop off at the office). If you are planning on making items for the sweet stall, please contact Bridgette on 027 227 5883.

## Scary room

Lucy Unsworth (one of the teacher's in room 6) has very kindly agreed to coordinate the Scary Room. If there's anyone who has large boxes (big enough to crawl through) and/or 'scary' decorations (spiders, webs, bugs, etc) then please let Celia know ([celiaruthorner@gmail.com](mailto:celiaruthorner@gmail.com)).





### **Raffle tickets**

Raffle tickets should have come home with your eldest child last Friday. If you would like more tickets to sell, please contact Kylie at [4xjohnstones@gmail.com](mailto:4xjohnstones@gmail.com). Please return the money and ticket stubs (or unsold tickets) to the box in the school office by 2 March.

### **Deli stall**

Are you able to make lemon honey, hummus and fresh breads for our deli stall? These are all great sellers, that need to be made the weekend of the gala. We can provide the lemons!

We are also still looking for the following:

- Volunteers to make jams and relishes
- Donations of ingredients for the deli stall, in particular sugar, vinegar, raisins and produce such as plums and tomatoes

If you can help with any of these please contact Lisa: [lisaleong33@gmail.com](mailto:lisaleong33@gmail.com).

### **PTA Gala committee**