Only 9 days to go!  
TOMBOLA DAY!
Don’t forget - Tombola Day this Friday 4 November.
On Friday, the children and adults can bring their tombola items to the outdoor tables where volunteer parents will collect them. As a thank you for the donation, children can wear casual clothes on Friday.

Fete Cheat Sheet
It may get a little confusing over the next few weeks, so here is your guide to what's happening in the lead up to fete day.

Week 4
Rides and fete hands available for purchase on FlexiSchools and in the fete newsletter.
Friday 4 November – Tombola Day – donate an item to our tombola stall for a uniform free day. See the tombola note for suggested items.
Saturday 5 November – Trash & Treasure donations accepted at the parish 9am-12noon

Week 5
Monday 7 November – last day for rides and fete hands to be ordered
Wednesday 9 November – ride receipts and fete hands are sent home
Friday 11 November – fete set up day from 9am
Saturday 12 November – FETE DAY! All hands on deck!
Sunday 13 November – A Thanksgiving Mass will be held at 10am to thank all fete volunteers and give the final fete total. Morning tea will be served afterwards.

What’s on at the fete this year?
The fete handbook will be out next week for all your fete information. But wait, there’s more!
Vinnies Night Patrol Van, Men’s Shed, Neighbour Hood Watch, Motorcycle Display, Tombola, Craft, Show bags, Plant Stall, Books and Music, Trash ‘n’ Treasure, Face Painting, Temporary Tattoos, Judo display, Lions Club display, Ice Creams, Drinks, Chocolate Wheel, Pick-a-Prize Raffle, Money Tree, Tongan Food, Vietnamese Food, BBQ, Kulture Break, Lego Building Competition, Café and Devonshire Tea and of course our fabulous Cake Stall. So much to do and see!

Food Safety Officer
Thank you to Rachael and Izzy Mendoza for taking on the role of Food Safety Officers. Being their helper is an easy job for someone who maybe can’t volunteer on a stall because you want to keep an eye on your children. Talk to Kerry or Tomica about the role. Volunteer on the slip at the end of the newsletter.

Facebook Page and School Website
Make sure you visit the fete Facebook page (St Thomas the Apostle Primary School and Parish Fete) and say you’re attending the ‘event’ – this will help spread the word! https://www.facebook.com/events/649323138558450/
You can also visit our school website for more info on the fete, including baking ideas, fete sponsors and much more http://sttap.act.edu.au/fete

Children's Art and Craft Stall
All items cost $6.00 each and can be pre-purchased on Friday 11 November by sending correct money in a clearly labeled envelope to your child’s teacher. Or purchase directly from the Children's Art and Craft Stall on fete day. Items will be available for sale to the public from 11am on fete day.
Hot Food Stall – We still need your help!
Jobs include: making sure there is enough food cooking on the BBQ, help set up, collect food from the canteen as required, assisting volunteers in serving and cooking.
Can you help out as a stall holder? We already have 2 wonderful parents offer their time to run the hot food stall, but we would love to have 1-2 more. This stall looks after all the hot food and ticketing. Please contact Yvette for more info yvettecroft@bigpond.com or volunteer on the slip at the end of the newsletter.

Second Hand Clothing
Our second hand clothing stall is back this year. We are looking for good clean second hand clothing, manchester (ie sheets, doona covers) and clean used baby items. These items can be donated at the trash & treasure collection days only.
We will also be selling second hand school uniforms from the clothing pool. Now is the time to donate your unwanted or outgrown school uniforms. Please send these clean items to the clothing pool to be sorted before fete day.

Cake Stall – Plates and Recipes
Last year’s Cake Stall was the best ever and this year we will be just as awesome! Please send your baked goods to school on set-up day or deliver them to the stall on Saturday. Check out the website for some ideas sttap.act.edu.au/parents/fete.html
Donations of cake mixes, flour, eggs, butter, cake decorations (sprinkles etc), icing sugar, caster sugar, brown sugar, vanilla essence, coconut, jelly, cooking chocolate, cellophane and ribbon are always welcome.
We will not be having a cake bake off this year as our wonderful stall holders have offered to make cakes for us. But if you would like to help them out by making a cake that is not decorated, send it to school now and we can freeze it.

St Vinnies - Night Patrol Van
The van will provide fete patrons with an opportunity to see firsthand how Vinnies helps the Homeless people in Canberra. Vinnies Dress up corner - We are going to have a dress up corner of items from the Vinnies shop in Tuggeranong for the kids. This will help promote the Vinnies Shop. We are planning to have balloons, stickers and pamphlets promoting Vinnies.

Raiders and Brumbies Auction!
Up for auction this year we have a Raiders 2016 signed framed jersey, as well as a Brumby’s 2016 signed framed jersey. Two great teams, two amazing auction items up for grabs! Which team will you bid for?

Lego Building Competition
Great prizes to be won! See the flyer attached to this newsletter.

‘Lucky door’ raffle – only for families attending the fete
Once again, this year we are offering a ‘lucky door’ prize open to all children currently enrolled at St Thomas the Apostle School – the only catch is that if your child’s name is the lucky winner they have to be present at the draw to collect the prize! The draw will happen sometime between 12.30 and 2.30pm. The prize is an amazing Toshiba 55” Full HD LED LCD TV valued at $1,000, with thanks to Hodgkinson Real Estate.

Donations - What can you donate to the fete?
SCRATCHIES - Buy a scratchie to donate towards the Money Tree.
POTTED PLANTS - All donations of plants MUST be labelled. Donations of pots, plants and potting mix are also welcome.
CRAFTS - and knitting for our wonderful Craft Stall
BAKING GOODS – Flour, eggs, sugar, sprinkles ….. anything that will help us make wonderful delights!
CAKE STALL – cook for the stall on the plate provided. Bring to school on Friday before the fete or on fete day
PRIZES - We are also looking for prizes to raffle on the Chocolate Wheel and Pick a Prize Raffle. Donations do not need to be extravagant but every little bit will help – a $25 or $50 prize/gift voucher would be wonderful. All donations can be left at the Parish or School Office.
2016 Fete Committee
Thank you to the parents and parishioners who have volunteered to help out on the fete committee.
We would love to see some more faces so come along to the next meeting on Monday 7 November at 6.30pm.

Look out for the next fete update.

Yvette Croft
2016 Fete Coordinator
yvettecroft@bigpond.com

Volunteers
We are always looking for volunteers on the day, get your name on the roster early to secure your spot!

PLEASE FILL IN THE FORMS BELOW AND LEAVE AT THE FRONT OFFICE, WITH THE PARISH SECRETARY OR EMAIL TO TOMICA GNJEC AT tomicag@tpg.com.au

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Fete and Stall Volunteer Slip

- Friday 11 November – during school assistance
- Friday 11 November – after school assistance
- Fete day setup – 7.30 - 9.00am
- Fete day 9.00 - 10.00am
- Fete day 10.00 - 11.00am
- Fete day 11.00 - 12.00am
- Fete day 12.00 -1.00pm
- Fete day 1.00 - 2.00pm
- Fete day 2.00 - 3.00pm
- Pack up

Name___________________________
Phone___________________________
Email___________________________
Preferred Stall___________________________
Closing date for pre-paid options is Monday 7 November.

**PRE-PAID RIDE TICKET – ORDER HERE**
Now is the time to order you pre-paid tickets for the awesome rides on fete day - Dodgem Cars, Sizzler (Supa Cha), Chair-O-Plane, Giant Slide and Jumping Castle. Pre-paid tickets can be used from 10am until 2.30pm. Tickets can be ordered using this form or directly through the Flexi Schools.

Family Name: __________________________________________
Eldest Child’s Class: ______________________________

I am purchasing 1-2 tickets at $26 each or 3+ tickets at $23 each (FAMILY ONLY DISCOUNT) for rides from 10am until 2.30pm for the following people:

1. _____________________________________________ $26
2. _____________________________________________ $26
3. _____________________________________________ $23 FAMILY
4. _____________________________________________ $23 FAMILY
5. _____________________________________________ $23 FAMILY

Enclosed is payment of $______________ (Cheques: St Thomas Apostle Fete Committee)

Email for confirmation of payment ___________________________________________________

**NOTE:** This special pre-paid offer is not available on the day - tickets will be $30 if purchased on the day. **DISCOUNT is only for parishioners, parishioners children and grandchildren, parents and siblings.**

Closing date for pre-paid tickets is Monday 7 November. Tickets will be sent home Wednesday 9 November.

When tickets and hands are sent home, you will receive a receipt for the rides passes, these are to be taken to the ticket booth near the rides where you will receive your ride wrist band for the day.

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**‘FETE HAND’ PRE-PAID FOOD AND DRINK TICKET – ORDER HERE**

ONLY $10!!  PADDLEPOP - SAUSAGE – TOMBOLA TICKET – DRINK – LUCKY DIP

Tickets can be ordered using this form or directly through the Flexi Schools.

Family Name: __________________________________________
Eldest Child’s Class: ______________________________

I am purchasing ___________ tickets at $10 each for food and drink tickets

Enclosed is payment of $______________ (Cheques: St Thomas the Apostle Fete Committee)

Closing date for pre-paid tickets is Monday 7 November. Tickets will be sent home Wednesday 9 November.

Or purchase your rides and fete hands on the FlexiSchools website
http://www.flexischools.com.au
Dear Parents

**Friday, 4 November, 2016**

A uniform free day is granted for children who bring an item for the tombola stall. Items are prizes on the stall so they need to be nice and new.

The Fete Committee have suggested different tombola items to different classes. Larger family donations are welcome:

- **Year Five & Six**: Bottles of drink or scratchies
  * Alcohol is welcome, but please have it delivered to school by an adult
- **Year Five**: Boxes of Biscuits/lollies/chocolates
- **Year Four**: Small art & craft items
- **Year Three**: Small toy (9-12 years)
- **Year Two**: Small book
- **Year One**: Biscuits/drinks/lollies/chocolates
- **Kindergarten**: Small toy (8 years and under)

On Friday, the children and adults can bring their tombola items to the outdoor tables where volunteer parents will collect them. Thank you!

See you at the Fete:
Saturday 12th Nov. 10am-2.30pm
