

## St. Matthew's Elementary School - Parish Education Committee – September 2023

Report: Events & Fundraising (Lisa Smith – absent for this meeting, on holidays)

### Terry Fox Run

- Well underway! A big thank you to Ray Cheung for taking on the team leadership for this role; he is doing an outstanding job and has already reached out to everyone, met with the volunteers, and is all prepped for the 28<sup>th</sup>.
- All parents have been communicated with and it looks like we are doing fine for volunteer spots.
- Fresh Street Market is once again supplying the granola bars and juice boxes for free (Ray will be picking those up the week after next).
- Shirt sales for donation to the Terry Fox Foundation are under way, closing out on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Lori Mah has organized this and will be passing distribution out to Lilia Galang. Love all the participation!
- Looking forward to seeing pictures from the event and to having another successful Terry Fox run!
- This team is also supporting the Walkathon and Carnival.

### Hot Lunch

- Well under way! First service will be on September 20. We are starting with Opa.
- We were able to keep prices consistent with last year, at \$8.50 per meal (and that includes a small margin for school fundraising).
- Term 2 will be Boston Pizza and it is looking like Term 3 will be Mexican food.
- A smooth transition over to Joan Pascual, who has taken over from Susie. We also have Wendy Do helping us with money counting, last minute support, etc.
- This year, we have 3 parents per term and we have split up their volunteer hours to include an even split of days they support. This means that the volunteers switch part way through a term before the food switches. We will manage these transitions.
- This team is also supporting the Trunk or Treat (their info has been shared with Melissa Quinto) and the teat day in the spring.

### Pancake Breakfasts

- Planning not yet underway, will provide an update at the next meeting.
- Lead kitchen parent, Julian, has been contacted to get his food safe and has acknowledged that he will do so before the pancake breakfast date later this fall.

### Other events that are kicking off:

- International Brunch – this is now fully with Angela and Alex, with Elisabeth's oversight and support.
- Bazaar – our flower committee is supporting execution of this event and their info has been shared with Sophia Edwards, who is leading the event.
- Trunk or Treat – this will take place on October 28 and planning by Melissa Quinto is now underway. Once more, the hot lunch teams are providing extra hands on that day.

### Notes:

- We are really striving this year to bring more equity to volunteer hours; this is why events and fundraising teams are supporting more than just 1 area. So far no issues shared from anyone!

