



SAMUEL GILBERT PUBLIC SCHOOL



## The Great Fete Official Newsletter

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There are **just over 2 weeks to go** until the big day on Sunday 20 August! This newsletter is **PACKED** with information so be sure to read all the way through to make sure you don't miss a thing!

Our second Mufti Day on 19 July – Dress as your Favourite Character – was a huge success! We are swimming in lollies thanks to all the generous donations! Thank you, SGPS community!

**The Great Fete planning committee is hard at work getting things ready to make the great Fete amazing.** We need **almost 400** of volunteers to make the day run smoothly. Check out [Great Fete 2023 - Volunteer Sign-up](#) to find a time slot that suits you. Whether an hour, two hours or more, we appreciate any time you can give to help make the day a success – remember, we're doing it for the kids of SGPS!



### Stay Updated

You'll receive the Great Fete newsletter every fortnight during the school term leading up to the event.

Fete news, notes and updates will come via:

- ✓ the school app
- ✓ reminders on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)
- ✓ class parents on WhatsApp
- ✓ email reminders from the school.

Requests for donations for the Cake Stall and Upcycle Stall, volunteering sign-ups, ride tickets and raffle tickets will also be sent via these channels and in this newsletter.

Check out the Great Fete website for more information and to catch up on any missed notes:  
[www.greatfete.com.au](http://www.greatfete.com.au)



### Save the Date

**Sun 13 Aug** Upcycle Stall open for donations – **2 to 5pm**

Silent auction bidding opens.

**Mon 14 Aug** Raffle tickets and money due  
Cake stall packaging requests due

**Fri 18 Aug** Upcycle Stall open for donations –  
**8:30 to 9:30am and 2:30 to 4pm**

Drop off Cake Stall donations by 3pm

**Sat 19 Aug** Great Fete set-up

**Sun 20 Aug** [The Great Fete 10am-3pm](#)

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## Get Involved



### Cake Stall

We need donations to stock our very popular Great Fete Cake Stall! Please see [Cake Stall donations](#) to request packaging for your donations. To sign up to help sell at the Cake Stall on the day of the Fete, go to [Great Fete 2023 – Cake Stall volunteers](#).



### Giant Raffle

Have you sold your Giant Raffle tickets? Do you need more? By now, each family will have received a book of **10 tickets** to sell. Each ticket is \$3. Pick up additional ticket books in the school office for yourself, or to sell to friends, families, co-workers and teammates! Ticket sales are due back to the office **by Monday 14 August**.



### Upcycle Stall

Give your unused items new life! Donate unwanted household goods, kitchenware, kids' toys, tools, DVDs, CDs, books, etc.\*, to our Upcycle Stall. Items should be in good, saleable condition. Box it up and get ready – donations will be accepted in the week leading to the event. See **Page 4** for more information. Sign up to help with the Upcycle Stall at [Great Fete 2023 – Upcycle Stall volunteers](#)  
*\*No Clothing, Shoes, Cutlery, Stuffed Toys, Glassware, Whitegoods or Electronics, please.*



### Volunteer

Have fun, meet new people and support our school! We need parents and friends of SGPS to help with set-up and stalls and activities on Fete Day. Whether you can offer 1 to 2 hours or more, we would be grateful for your help. Check out [Great Fete 2023 – Volunteer Sign-ups](#) to find a time that suits you. We have over 370 volunteer spots to fill!

Many hands make light work, and we literally cannot put the Great Fete on without you!





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## **Volunteers Needed!**



The Great Fete is a huge undertaking and to make it a successful and fun day for all, we need your help! Whether 1 hour, 2 hours or the whole day, we appreciate any time you can give. Many hands make light work!

We have over 370 volunteer spots to fill! We cannot do this without help from the entire school community.

Please go to [Great Fete 2023 – Volunteer Sign-ups](#) for a list of all the areas you can sign up to help, from set-up the day before the Fete to stalls, the BBQ and raffle sales.

Need help signing up? Email [coordinators@greatfete.com.au](mailto:coordinators@greatfete.com.au).

Thank you for your support!





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## Upcycle Stall



The Great Fete Upcycle Stall (formerly known as Trash n Treasure) is getting ready to welcome your donations!

Give your unused items new life, and donate any unwanted household goods, kitchenware, kids' toys, tools, gardening equipment, DVDs, CDs, books, etc\*. Items must be in good, saleable condition.

So box things up and get ready to donate. You'll be able to drop off your donations in the old school hall on the following dates and times:

DATE	TIME
Sunday 13 August	2 to 5pm
Friday 18 August	8:30 to 9:30am 2:30 to 4pm

**Volunteers needed, too!** We will be open from 10am to 3pm (or while supplies last!) on Great Fete Day. Volunteers are needed from 9am with each shift running for 1.5 hours. Sign up at [Great Fete 2023 – Upcycle Stall volunteers](#)

This is a hugely popular stall at the Great Fete, and we appreciate your donations and time to make it a success!

*\*While we appreciate your donations, please remember: No Clothing, Shoes, Cutlery, Stuffed Toys, Glassware, Whitegoods or Electronics.*



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## Unlimited Ride Armbands for sale!

The SGPS Great Fete is well known for its amazing carnival rides. Kids and families alike will be amazed by the sight of 16+ rides on the school oval!

**You can pre-purchase ride armbands, which allow unlimited access to the rides all day for \$35, up to the day before the Great Fete! (\$40 on Fete Day).**

Save \$5 per armband by pre-purchasing yours today! Your unlimited rides armband gets you access to unlimited carnival rides, plus the amazing Kidz Zoo!

Check out the rides at [www.greatfete.com.au/rides](http://www.greatfete.com.au/rides).

To buy your unlimited rides armbands, go to <https://www.trybooking.com/CJYSS>  
OR scan the QR code below:



Please note, carnival games and Dunk a Teacher are not included with the unlimited rides armbands.

Individual rides tickets are \$8 each and can be purchased on the day of the Great Fete.



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## **Giant Raffle** **PRIZE POOL OF OVER \$10,000!**

Giant Raffle tickets have been sent home with your eldest child. **Each family received a book of 10 tickets.** If you would like more tickets for yourself or to sell to family and friends, please collect from the office or email [gjantraffle@greatfete.com.au](mailto:gjantraffle@greatfete.com.au).

**Important!** Please write the name and contact details of the person buying the ticket clearly on the stub. Tear the ticket at the perforated edge – the buyer keeps the ticket. Retain the stubs and return to us, with the money. Make sure to write the seller's/student's name and class on the back of the ticket stub, too, so we can tally up sales!

All ticket stubs and money must be returned to the school office by **Monday 14 August**.

**Please support the Great Fete and sell as many tickets as you can!**

**\$3 per ticket**

**Sell tickets, win a prize!**  
**The 5 top-selling SGPS families will win a voucher for Waves Fitness & Aquatic Centre!**

### **Check out our 10 amazing raffle prizes, courtesy of our very generous sponsors and donors!**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize:** Family photo shoot including digital prints from **Sophie Lea Photography** (\$2,999 value)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** \$2,500 gift voucher from **Robert Cliff Master Jewellers, Castle Hill**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:** Tuition lessons from **CBK Select Tuition** (\$1,000 value)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize:** Guitar, amp, and lesson package from **Ignite Music** (\$1,000 value)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize:** 2 terms of tuition from **Mathnasium** (\$938 value)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Prize:** 6-month voucher from **Castle Hill Fitness and Aquatic Centre** (\$650 value)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Prize:** \$600 voucher from **Sue Thorn Photography**
- 8<sup>th</sup> Prize:** Overnight accommodation in Heritage Queen Room, including dinner and breakfast for 2 people at **Q Station Manly** (\$400 value)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Prize:** \$390 voucher from **Code Camp**
- 10<sup>th</sup> Prize:** Overnight accommodation and breakfast for 2 at **Hills Lodge** (\$297 value)

If you're unable to sell tickets, please return them to the school office, no later than 14 August.





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## Great Fete Cake Stall

**Calling all bakers for cake donations –  
Grab that apron and mixing bowl and let's start baking!**

It's time for the Cake Stall at The Great Fete – and we need your help!

**Wondering what to make?** Popular Cake Stall items include whole cakes, slices, cupcakes, muffins, lamingtons, honey joys, coconut ice, rocky road, or other homemade confectionary. Gluten-free and dairy-free options are in high demand, as well!

Check out the Great Fete website for ideas and recipes as well at [www.greatfete.com.au/news-notes](http://www.greatfete.com.au/news-notes).

If you can assist with cake stall donations, please complete the form and tell us how much packaging you'll need at [Cake stall donations](#). **Please complete this form by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August.**

Your requested packaging will be sent home with your eldest child by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August.

Filled boxes/trays/bags must be returned to the school office on Friday 18th August or brought to the stall on the day of the Great Fete, Sunday 20th August, **by 9am.**

All donations **must be clearly labelled** with ingredients – an ingredients label will be included with your packaging.

**Volunteers needed, too!** We will be open from 10am to 3pm (or while supplies last!) on Great Fete Day. Volunteers are needed from 9am with each shift running for 1.5 hours. Sign up at [Great Fete 2023 – Cake Stall volunteers](#)

If you have questions about the cake stall, please contact Jacki Quinn at [Jackimquinn@gmail.com](mailto:Jackimquinn@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support!  
SGPS P&C and Great Fete Committee



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