All set for fun

Colossal carnival for whole community

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TAKE part in a colourful fair and squirrel away some gifts for Christmas and yourself.

The inaugural Pin Oak Fair at Oxley College promises to have something for everyone, from laser skirmish to dunk-a-teacher, art show, stalls, sports, High Tea and carnival rides.

Organiser Jane Crowley has spent the last 18 months preparing for the fair.

“I wanted to create something you couldn’t do in half an hour,” she said.

“I didn’t want to rule anyone out, so all wacky ideas were welcome.”

Everyone in the school has been involved with making this huge event, which will be spread throughout the school grounds.

Kindergarteners have been making leaves for signs, the junior students have created all signage and Year 9 students have created screen printed cushions for sale.

Students will also provide entertainment throughout the day, with the school choir, bagpipe band and circus skills performers making an appearance.

“With the side show alley [located in the junior school], I asked the kids what they would want,” Ms Crowley said.

“So there will be Nerf gun shooting, face painting, and the kids found all the prizes as well.”

One highlight of the day will be the dunk-a-teacher stand. People can buy raffle tickets to win the chance to drench their teachers.

If 2000 tickets are sold, one teacher will be wearing a chicken suit for her soaking.

While the day has been organised for fun, the money raised will go to causes close to the school community’s heart.

One third of the proceeds will go to sister schools in Fiji, Nepal and Botswana, and another third to the school’s P and C.

The final third will go to the mental health charity ‘Get Around It’, which was created by Year 9 Oxley student Dylan Whitelaw.

Ms Crowley thanked the community and parents for helping make the day possible.

“I'd especially like to thank my 'Acorn Crew', I cannot sing their praises enough,” she said.

The Pin Oak Fair will take place November 12 from 9.00am to 3.00pm at Oxley College on Railway Parade.

EXCITED: Oxley College Year 5 students Lexis, Sophie and Tyra marking the raffle tally for the dunk-a-teacher attraction. Photo: Claire Fenwicke