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TERM DATES

Term 3

Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sept

Term 4

Mon 14 Oct - Fri 13 Dec

EVENTS

School Cross Country

Wed 4 September

Community Group Meeting

Wed 11 Sep, 7.30pm

School Production

Wed 25 & Thu 26 September, 7pm



From the Principals Desk...

Welcome: It is with pleasure that we welcome Robert Ilustre to room Puriri and his parents Roel and Mercy to our St John Bosco School Community.

General Illness: Term three unfortunately tends to be the term where we are inundated with various illnesses. With all this in mind, we know it is tough for families when children are sick and we ask that you consider the wellbeing of others if there is illness within your family.

We have had a case of chickenpox reported to us in the past few days and there are various forms of colds, flus, tummy bugs and sore throats - Leading to strep throat being reported regularly. When we are notified of such illnesses we refer to the following Ministry of Health guideline chart for next steps. <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/infectious-diseases-at-glance>

We will again talk to children and we also ask you to help reinforce the habits of ...

- Handwashing
- Sneezing into cuffs of elbows
- Sanitising hands using sanitiser

We also have a weekly cycle of cleaning desks and surfaces to help reduce build up.

Measles: There has been a third case of measles confirmed in Taranaki, and parents and caregivers are being urged to be aware of the signs and symptoms of the illness. Your child may have measles if they have not been vaccinated and have:

- A high fever
- A runny nose, sore red eyes or a cough
- A rash 3-5 days later which usually starts on the head and spreads down the body.

If you think you or your child might have measles, you need to keep them home from school and

away from public places and other people. Measles is highly contagious from before symptoms start until 5 days after the rash has appeared.

Please contact your doctor or Healthline on 0800 611116 for more advice and let your school or early childhood centre know that your child may have measles.

Vaccination is the best protection against measles. Children are routinely immunised with the MMR vaccine at age 15 months and 4 years. Children are considered 'fully immunised' against measles when they have two documented measles or MMR vaccinations.

Please contact your doctor to make sure you and your family are protected. For more information about measles please visit: <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/measles>

Production: Not long to go now! We are working hard to pull together our school production "In Our Hands". Children have been learning class dances, songs and our leads have been learning script and scene acting. They are all getting excited...

We are very grateful that Sacred Heart College have once again allowed the use of their Events Centre for our performances.

Our performance dates are Wednesday 25th September and Thursday 26th September. Performances will start at 6:30pm. More details for each class will be shared by your child's class teacher.

We will also inform you when tickets will be available for families.

SJB CROSS COUNTRY Wednesday 4th September Peringa Park - Fitzroy

Dear Parents. Our Annual cross country is just around the corner. The weather has meant that getting kids out to practice has been a challenge but we are trying hard and will take every opportunity to get them ready. Like all other years, our main focus is 100% participation. My focus is to see every child cross the line with a great big smile saying "I did the cross country in 2019!" Many children will also be aiming to qualify for the New Plymouth cross country. We have prepared a great course at Peringa Park for them in preparation.

Years 1-3 children from Rooms Puriri - Pohutukawa will be transported by bus and Year 4-6 children from Rooms Karaka - Kauri will be transported, we are hoping, by parents.

Below are the main details for the day. We can not give specific times as it is just too hard to determine how long each race will take. But I do actively encourage you all to join us for the entire event.

11.25am All children are to be changed in their sports clothes (house colours optional) with their bags, drink bottles etc - lined up with their class outside Kawakawa.

11.40am Junior children (Rooms Puriri - Room Horoeoka) to make their way down the walkway to their buses. Senior teachers to allocate groups of children (Rooms Pohutukawa - Kauri) to parents to take to Peringa Park.

11.50am When classes arrive at Peringa Park they are to SIT in their designated age area.

12 noon Special Character Leader to say an Opening Prayer.

Cross Country Timetable

12.10pm First Race (Ages as at 25th August)

10 & 11 year old boys	2.2km
10 & 11 year old girls	2.2km
5 year boys	800m
5 year girls	800m
6 year boys	800m
6 year girls	800m
9 year old boys	2.2km
9 year old girls	2.2km
7 year boys	1.5km
7 year girls	1.5km
8 year boys	1.5km
8 year girls	1.5km



The Yellow line shows what 1 lap of the field will roughly look like. 5/6 Year olds

The Red line shows what 1 lap of the field and paddock will look like 7/8 Year olds

1 lap of the field and 1 lap of the paddock and field will see the children firstly run the Yellow course then link onto the red and complete the red course. 9/10/11 Year olds

Start and Finish Line

Where children will be seated.

Parish Conversation and Consultation on about Sunday Mass: We have also this week included as an insert a note from Father's Simon, Tom and Vui about our Parish Mass timetable. Please take time to read through this. We really encourage your feedback and we are offering to collect your responses to pass on, or you may also prefer to drop into the returns box in the church foyer.

Class Mass Timetable - Term 3

Week 7	Wednesday 4 September	Ruma Tōtara, Kōwhai, Kawakawa
Week 8	Wednesday 11 September	Ruma Rimu, Nīkau
Week 9	Wednesday 18 September	Ruma Karaka, Horoea

Year 6 Camp Fundraiser:

On Friday the 6th of September (week 9) Y6 students will be supplying pizza for lunch for all students who have ordered. All pizza payments must be pre ordered and prepaid. Order forms were handed out on Thursday the 29th of August. All forms and money are due back Wednesday the 4th of September - no forms will be accepted after Wednesday 3pm. Please return form and money to your classroom teacher.

Name:	Room:
Your Pizza Order (\$2.00 per piece)	
Type of pizza:	Write the number of pieces below:
Hawaiian	
Pepperoni	
Simply Cheese	
Total cost:	

Parent Signature: _____

We appreciate your support in helping us get to camp.
Kind regards, from the Year 6 students of St John Bosco.

Mission Statement

To provide a Catholic environment where children's rights and individual needs are always considered, independence and confidence are fostered and children are challenged to produce their best efforts.



Kapa Haka

All students at school do kapa haka in the first term of the year, after which they can choose whether or not they want to be part of the kapa haka group. We practise on Monday afternoon for an hour with our tutor Whaea Unity. This year we have 90 students in our kapa haka group.

Last Friday night we were so proud to have 74 of our tamariki performing on the stage at the Tatarakihi Primary School Cultural Festival. This was the first time SJB have performed at this festival. It was a fabulous experience for all of them. Their performance was live streamed on Te Korimako O Taranaki. [Here is a link to the video.](#) (SJB at time 6:07:10). It was also the first time we have performed our school waiata 'Hato Hoani Paukau' with the actions that we have been working hard to learn this year. If you took any photos on the day we would love you to share them with us. Please email them to your child's teacher.

Thank you so much to the big group of people who worked hard to help ensure that we were able to have them all look so amazing. Thanks to those who came to help at practises, made more poi, sorted and fitted uniforms, sewed, ironed, and helped get them ready on the day. Thank you also to all our whanau that came to watch and support our tamariki.

You will notice that our kotiro (girls) are wearing the three white feathers in their hair. These are a symbol that is recognised as being associated with Parihaka. We wear them with pride and reverence, whilst remembering their history and that they represent 'peace' and our Christian 'gospel values'.

The raukura (white feather) became a symbol of peace and pride for the people of Parihaka. When Te Whiti died in 1907, a kaumātua called Charles Waitara spoke at his tangi, saying:

"Let this be clearly understood by all Māoris, Pākehās and all other nations. The white feather is a sign that all nations through the world will be one; black, red and all others who are called human beings. This feather will be the sign of unity, prosperity, peace and goodwill." (from Caritas website)

More Help Needed Please:

Thank you again to the group of people who sewed kapa haka uniforms for us at short notice. We managed to make 15 uniforms. Now we need to make another 20 to ensure that everyone will have one for the end of year performances. We will need them completed by the end of September (so not such a rush this time). If you think that you are able to help please email me jodie@sjb.school.nz. Kia ora.



WHOLE PARISH MASS AND

STJOSEPH'S CHURCH 50TH JUBILEE

Sunday 10am

1st September

St Joseph's Church

PLEASE COME AND JOIN IN OUR ANNUAL CELEBRATION!

ALL PARISHIONERS WILL BE CELEBRATING AT THIS ONE MASS

KAI PROVIDED AFTERWARDS

This Mass is the only one throughout the Parish this weekend (except a Sunday Evening Mass at OLHC – 6pm).

1st September: Father's Day

Father's Day is a celebration honouring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. In Catholic Europe, Father's Day has been celebrated on March 19 (St. Joseph's Day) since the Middle Ages. St Joseph being the foster father of Jesus.

Father's Day in New Zealand, celebrated on the first Sunday in September, is a special day to recognise and celebrate the role fathers play in our life. Whether it's your Dad, step-Dad, grandfather, foster Dad or just a special father figure who has helped you along the way. Father's Day this Sunday, is your chance to say 'Thank You'.

Pray for All Fathers and Priests

God our Father,
we give you thanks and praise
for fathers young and old.
We pray for young fathers,
newly embracing their vocation;
may they find the courage and perseverance
to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.
We pray for our own fathers,
who have supported and challenged us;
may they continue to lead in strong and gentle ways.
We remember fathers around the world,
whose children are lost or suffering;
may they know that the God of compassion,
walks with them in their sorrow.
We pray for men who are not fathers
but still mentor and guide us,
with fatherly love and advice.
Most importantly, all our Priests,
our spiritual Fathers, who guide,
teach us and lead us to You
and who feed and nourish us
with Your Sacraments.
We remember fathers, grandfathers
and great-grandfathers,
who are no longer with us
but who live forever in our memory
and nurture us with their love.
Amen

Pest Traps

We still have a large number of traps (from NPDC) that we were selling last year, as part of the 'Predator Free Taranaki Project'. They are safe, easy to use, good value and **MUST be sold.**

\$10 each - includes wooden box and trap

Please see Mr Moorby or email matt@sjb.school.nz

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