



# St John Bosco School

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Principal: Mr Dee Luckin

## TERM DATES

**Term 1**  
Wed 29 Jan - Thu 9 Apr

**Term 2**  
Tue 28 Apr - Fri 3 Jul

**Term 3**  
Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sep

**Term 4**  
Mon 12 Oct - Fri 11 Dec

## EVENTS

**School Mass**  
Sun 1 March, 10.30am

**Swimming Sports - Aquatic Centre**  
Wed 4 Mar, 9.30am - 1pm

**Ambrose Golf Day**  
Sun 22 Mar

**Marae Visit to Mururaupatu:**  
Thur 26 & Fri 27 Mar



## From the Principals Desk...

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Joan Cowley to Koromiko and her parents Prudence and Blair to our St John Bosco Community.

You may have noticed that we are trying to communicate to our families via a paperless newsletter. We feel that our community is connected with us in a variety of ways but especially through our School App, Facebook, and email. If you would still prefer a paper copy if you let either Andrea or myself know and we will work out a plan to get one to you.

**School Mass:** Our Termly School Mass has been scheduled for Sunday 1st March. Mass times have changed this year at Our Lady Help of Christians. They are now scheduled for 10.30a.m. on Sundays. It is an expectation that families attend School Mass. This is the one weekend in the school term we come together to celebrate being a Catholic School and Community. I'm Looking forward to spending time with you on Sunday.

**School Swimming Sports:** Each family should have received details about this via their class teacher on seesaw or via email. We have booked our school swimming sports day at the Aquatic Centre for next Wednesday March 4th. Children will need to bring warm clothing for the day as well as their school sunhat and sunblock. This is always a fun day with our major focus being participation and simply giving things ago. We want to see children getting out of the pool with a huge smile of personal accomplishment.

**Catholic Parish of New Plymouth, First Communion Programme:** The following are details for children who completed their First Reconciliation last Year. Welcome to the next stage of this Faith journey. During the preparation you will be learning as well as supporting your child(ren) as they prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Our programme will be based on the Mass. We strongly encourage attendance at Mass each Sunday as this is essential to your child's Catholic identity. This will also help to reinforce the learning and to experience what we cover in the sessions. The dates for the preparation sessions are listed below, as with First Reconciliation

preparation these will take place at St John Bosco school.

- **Sunday 29 March 9.00 - 10.20am 10.30am Mass at OLHC**
- **Sunday 5 April 9.00 - 10.20am 10.30am Mass at OLHC**
- **Thursday 30 April 6.00pm Practise at OLHC**
- **Our First Communion Mass will be at 10.30am on Sunday 3 May at Our Lady Help of Christians church, Fitzroy.**

**St John Bosco Ambrose Golf Day:** Wow I'm just blown away by the support being shown for this event. To date we have...

- 25 hole sponsors (We only need another 3 to be completely full let Mike Fleming know if you can help [mike.fleming@rabobank.com](mailto:mike.fleming@rabobank.com))
- 21 teams confirmed (We now only have space for 7 more teams get in quick)
- Spot prizes are coming in nicely too.

**So how can you help our Community Group:**

- We would like more spot prizes for the competitors.
- We would also warmly welcome gift cards from Countdown, Pak N Save, New World to allow us to purchase food consumables to sell on the day.
- We would also like gift cards from Rebel Sports that we can use to purchase top ups for spot prizes or use as prizes for the day.
- We will also very soon be asking for volunteers on the day to cook barbeques, sell drinks, help set up the course etc. Keep an eye out for a link being sent via email in the coming weeks or if you are able to help let **Ben Siffleet** know by texting 027 306 1496

**Marae Visit to Mururaupatu: Keep these dates free...** We have confirmed that our biennial Maraе stay over and whole school visit will be the **26th and 27th March**. On the 26th March all Year 5 / 6 Children will be welcomed onto Mururaupatu Maraе and stay the night. On the 27th March the remainder of the school will visit Mururaupatu Maraе during the day and be involved in a series of activities. A special Maraе note will come home.

**School Gospel Value Term 1:** Each Term we spend time talking and learning about one of our schools Gospel values. This term our focus is **RESILIENCE / MANAWAROA**. What

does resilience mean or look like to us...

- Accepting disappointment
  - Embracing new challenges
  - Thinking "Don't worry ....."
  - Keep trying your best, even when you find it hard
  - Its ok to make mistakes
  - 'have a go' attitude
  - Get up and carry on
  - Accepting disappointment, its ok to make a mistake, carry on
  - 'take a risk'
  - Find 3 ways to solve your problem
- "We have courage in God's presence, because we are sure that he hears us if we ask him for anything that is according to his will.(1 John 5:14)

### School Leadership Roles for 2020:

I would like to congratulate all our Year 6 students who applied for leadership roles in 2020. We really enjoyed reading your applications and appreciate the time, effort and thought placed into these. It was also great to witness these students accepting their roles early this week with great pride, dignity and acceptance. It was also touching to observe children congratulating other children on their appointments and maybe overcoming disappointment with great resilience.

It is with great pleasure that we share with you the assigned student leadership roles for 2020.

**Ambassador Leaders:** Catriona Thomson, Carter Herlihy and Madison Goulet

**Special Character Leaders:** Hailey Richardson and Alejandro Bellringer

**House Leaders:** **Waiwhakaiti:** Blake Steele and Madison Berman  
**Barbier:** Caitlyn Hobin and Ella Leagua

**Rewarewa:** Ruby Stenning and Lila O'Connor

**Darnell:** Kaylee Mulligan and Sophia Watson

**Sports Leaders:** Billy Vincent, Leo Hooper, Nikiwe Zhanje, Gracey Klampfer-Edgcombe, Lily Winters and Skyla Heal

**ICT Leaders:** Jayden Baker, Alex Schultz and Rhyder Gavin

**Cultural Leader:** Hailey Richardson

**Head Mediators:** Evie McKinnon and Paige Adamson

**Media Leaders:** Holly Guthrie, Natalia Collett, Emily Welham and Lilly Naughton

**Enviro Leaders:** Lilly Gardner, Milla Lilly and Lila O'Connor

Last night our Special Character Leaders, Hailey Richardson and Alejandro Bellringer, attended the Ash Wednesday Mass at St Joseph's Church with other leaders from our Catholic schools community.



### Ash Wednesday

Yesterday we attended Ash Wednesday Mass as a whole school and received the Blessed Ashes in the sign of a cross on our foreheads. This reminds us of the message of Lent which we heard in the Gospel reading *Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18*

The message is that Jesus teaches how to pray, fast and give. We pray because we love God, we fast because it helps us reflect and we give because we love others. These are the reasons to pray, fast and give; not to show off and big note ourselves. These things we do because we love and for no other selfish reason. It is only God who knows that your motivation is love.



### Communion of Saints

We have been learning about the Communion of Saints Strand in our RE and Inquiry programmes.

*Something to think about :* **How many saints are recognised by the Catholic Church?**

There does not seem to be an official number, but it exceeds 10,000. Of course, any person who enters heaven is a saint, by definition, so it is certain the number of actual saints in existence is much greater than the number recognised by the Church.

The **Lord** himself  
goes before you  
and will be with you;  
*he will never leave you  
nor forsake you.*  
Do not be afraid;  
do not be discouraged.

–Deuteronomy 31:8  
BibleVerseImages.com



### **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.





We have a school App that helps us keep all families in touch with the latest newsletters, notes, events, cancellations, Alerts or letting us know of a child's absence.

The following is an overview of how to get the app and how to set it up.

1. Go to the **App store** on your android or Apple Device.
2. Search for **SchoolAppsNZ**
3. Download the App.
4. Once App has been downloaded, search for St John Bosco
4. When opening it will ask which **groups** you would like to belong to.

Once you have selected the groups you'd like to belong to any notes or alerts sent from each of these groups will appear on your App as an Alert.

This is a quick and easy way of finding out what is happening at school. We have also loaded events on the calendar and all contacts are there also.



Make our school environment safer.  
Take the ...

# WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Every day down the walkway  
with a duty teacher.

**We are trying to make our environment safer by asking whanau to park on Paynters Avenue.**  
**Enrol your children with the walking school bus. Their name will go onto a register and they will be escorted to meet you on the other side of the school crossing on Paynter's Av. We want to reduce the dangerous and busy car traffic that the end of a day brings to a school environment.**

Please see your teacher if you want to join up.  
We meet on the deck by the poster afterschool.

PosterMyWall.com

# TARANAKI MULTI ETHNIC Extravaganza

ARTS & CRAFTS - ETHNIC FOOD STALLS  
MULTI ETHNIC ENTERTAINMENT

**Street Parade Starts 10.30am at the Clock Tower**

**FREE BUS** from New Plymouth Raceway (Racecourse) to the Clock Tower at 9.45 & 10.00am and back to the New Plymouth Raceway from the Parade finish point on Devon Street, close to Eliot Street intersection.

Celebrate Taranaki's diverse community, enjoy Arts & Crafts, Ethnic Food Stalls and Multi Ethnic Entertainment.

**NEW PLYMOUTH RACEWAY**  
**SATURDAY 7 March 11AM to 4PM**  
**GOLD COIN DONATION**

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**Take extra care and look out for children before and after school – they can get distracted and not look**

### FREE DRIVER TRAINING

Can you drive and hold either a Learner, Restricted or Full license (or International license)

Roadsafe Taranaki are providing **FREE Driver Training** at the A & P showgrounds in Hawera on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> or Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020**  
The Course will take up to **2 hours** and includes **interactive displays and practical driving** (emergency braking & cornering)  
**Yes we will supply the cars**

To register;

text your name & preferred day & time to Marion at 027 279 2662 or call our free phone 0800 111 323

Complete the course and be in to win one of **12 Places** on a full day advanced driver training session at Manfeild Raceway in Feilding.

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