



St John Bosco School

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TERM DATES

Term 3
Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sep

Term 4
Mon 12 Oct - Fri 11 Dec

EVENTS

Photo Day
Monday 17 August

School Cross Country
Tue 1 September

Teacher Only Day
Fri 4 September

NP Cross Country
Tue 8 September



From the Principals Desk...

Covid: We have moved back to Covid 19 Level 2 Restrictions on midday Wednesday. This will currently be in place at this stage from until midnight on Friday. (We will keep the community informed on any further developments).

We have implemented our Level 2 Covid Safety Plan.

What does this mean for St John Bosco?

- We will continue our hand washing protocols on arrival to school and sanitising throughout the day.
- All common area surfaces will be sanitised daily.
- We will be reinforcing coughing and sneezing into the cuff of elbows.
- We ask that children who are sick or showing symptoms please stay home. We will also be asking children to be collected if they become unwell at school.
- We ask that students are not onsite prior to 8:15a.m. This is to allow us to clean surfaces.
- We are asking families not to enter school grounds and encouraging families to drop and collect children at one of our three main entrances (Walkway gate, Front entrance on Clinton Street or through our courtyard gate), only visit classes if essential or children require support to transition to school.
- Parents who come on site must log in via the school app, paper tracing registers in classrooms or through the Covid19 QR code at our main entrances.
- Parents must enforce social distancing of 1-2m while waiting to drop or collect children.
- Social gatherings of 100 or more will be postponed or cancelled.

Drinking fountains are closed, so children will need to bring a named drink bottle each day. We ask that families leave school grounds soon after school finishing for the day. Our inter school games at this stage will be postponed under Alert Level 2 due to restrictions being applied in relation to social gatherings not exceeding 100. We are awaiting advice from organised sports such as netball, hockey etc as to what their plans are and as soon as we get this we are sharing with coaches. **Our After**

School Care programme will remain open and follow our Alert Level 2 guidelines.

Let's work together to keep everyone safe...

School Photos: These are scheduled for next Monday 17th August. This may change if there are any advances related to Covid19. But what we are asking for is that on Monday all students are in full correct uniform including black shoes. Sibling photo forms will need to be handed into the office prior to 9:00am.

Once the photos have been taken and processed, each family will receive a code and access to photos taken. At this stage you are able to make your orders.

School Policy Review: This term we are reviewing our "Learning Support" Policy. If you would like to be a part of the review please follow the instructions below...

1. Visit the website <https://sjb.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (sjb) and password (21clinton).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.
9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Safety at school gate: I am again starting to notice children being dropped off and collected from the cauldressack at our school entrance. This is a yellow line area which means cars are not to stop in this area. Please remember we are all role models to our children and children within our community. It is an offence to park or stop on yellow lines. Most children and families know this. It is also making our main entrance and exit a dangerous environment for other families.

I know that our street gets busy prior to and after school. Our staff are committed to being out after school to support and keep children safe. This allows parents to park and walk in or wait until a little after 3:00p.m to collect students.

Teacher Only Day: As a part of the teachers collective agreement the Government has allocated all schools in New Zealand 8 teacher only days to be scheduled over the next three years. The purpose of these days is to allow primary school teachers the opportunity to

- refresh and deepen their knowledge and practice around the local curriculum (within the context of the removal of national standards)
- Strengthen their understanding of the use of assessment tools for learning and teaching
- Respond to the recommendations of the education work programme in the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement (CPA) Report
- Familiarise themselves with curriculum work changes that will become available over the term of the collective agreements.

We have a Teacher Only Day Scheduled for Friday 4th September. School will be closed for the day to allow all staff to take part in professional development.

Early Arrival at School: We are noticing large numbers of children arriving at school incredibly early in the morning. Staff need space and time to prepare for the day and are not available to supervise children fully until 8:30a.m. We do have bus children that arrive at 8:15a.m but we have an arranged plan for these children.



Saturday - 15th August Assumption of Mary


The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: This day celebrates the mystery that the Virgin Mary was taken into heaven body and soul. This was declared a doctrine of faith by Pope Pius XII in 1950. Mary's assumption into heaven is also the patronal feast of the Catholic people in New Zealand. In other words, she is the Patron saint of New Zealand and this week is her feast day.

In the Catholic Church, **holy days of obligation** are **days** on which the faithful are expected to attend Mass, and engage in rest from work and recreation, according to the Third Commandment. The Church describes Sunday as the 'foremost holy day of obligation' (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n 2177). Other 'holy days of obligation' have always been added to the Sundays. In New Zealand, we only have two of these additional holy days of obligation – **Christmas Day and the feast of the Assumption, August 15.**

Let us contemplate the words of Pope Francis:

"Mary lived the Beatitudes of Jesus as none other. She is that woman who rejoiced in the presence of God, who treasured everything in her heart, and who let herself be pierced by the sword. Mary is the saint among the saints, blessed above all others. She teaches us the way of holiness and she walks ever at our side. She does not let us remain fallen and at times she takes us into her arms without judging us. This is the Mary we honour today, teaching 'us the way of holiness' and walking 'ever at our side.' Mary our Mother does not need a flood of words. She does not need us to tell her what is happening in our lives. All we need do is whisper, time and time again: "Hail Mary..."


Photo Day is next Monday - 17 August. Remember to fill in a sibling form before photo day if you would like siblings photographed together, only children that are currently at St John Bosco can be photographed together (no preschoolers) forms are available in the office.



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Your child's school photos will be taken
on **Monday 17th August 2020**
at **St John Bosco School New Plymouth** Puriri - Year 0

View and purchase your child's photos online



- Look out for your Child's Photo Keycode that they will bring home a couple of weeks after PhotoDay.
- Use your unique Photo Keycode to view your child's photos at www.photolife.co.nz
- Orders placed before the Free Delivery Expiry Date will be bulk printed and delivered to the school for your child to bring home.

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FAQs about PhotoLife's Online Ordering System

- When will my child's photos be ready to view Online?**
As soon as you receive your Photo Keycode you can go online and view your child's photographs. Class Group, Portraits, Sports Teams and Cultural Groups (if photographed) will be added into the Photo Keycode over the school year.
- Can anyone else see my child's photo Online?**
In order to view your child's photos you have to have the unique Photo Keycode. Without this code no one else can see your child's photos.
- How can I make sure I get the FREE DELIVERY offer?**
PhotoLife gives a "free delivery" period of approximately 3 weeks from the date the Photo Keys are dispatched to the School. It is best to go online straight away and place your order.
The Expiry Date of the "free delivery" period for your child's school is clearly shown on the website and automatically expires when that date is reached.
- What happens once the "free delivery" period expires?**
All of the orders placed before the expiry will be bulk printed and then dispatched to the school for your child to bring home.
If you missed getting your order in before the expiry date then your order will be dispatched to the address typed in by the person placing the order. A \$6.00 Postage & Packing charge is automatically applied.



Sibling Photographs

If your school has approved for us to take Sibling Photographs you need to do the following:

- Pick up a Sibling Photo Booking Form from the School Office **BEFORE** Photo Day.
- RETURN** the signed Booking Form listing your children's names and room numbers to the School Office **BEFORE** Photo Day.
- If there is **NO SIGNED FORM OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NOT AUTHORISED TO TAKE A SIBLING PHOTOGRAPH.**

We are here to help

If you have any further questions
Please contact us
www.photolife.co.nz
09 262 1040 or 0800 501 040



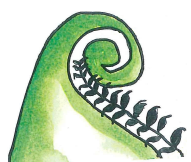
Mrs Peck Aro is missing lots of Reading Recovery books for the students. Amnesty - for any with Rainbow stars or Rdg Rec on them.

Leave any found or brought back from home on the stairs please TIA

Mrs P.A.

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.



SJB CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday 1st September – at St John Bosco

Dear Parents. Our Annual cross country is just around the corner. Ms Lynskey has had the children training hard with her great variety of activities during PE lessons. Like all other years, our main focus is 100% participation. Our focus is to see every child cross the line with a great big smile saying "I did the cross country in 2020!"

We received great feedback from parents about holding the cross country at school so we will do the same again. Children will run the course in the days prior to the event to ensure they know what to do on the day.

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. Most take about 10 minutes. But we do actively encourage you all to join us for the entire event.

11:45 Children gather on the court

12:00 Special Character Leaders to say an Opening Prayer.

12.10pm

First Race (Age on the day)

10 & 11 year old boys	2.2km (3 laps)
10 & 11 year old girls	2.2km (3 laps)
5 year boys	800m (1 lap)
5 year girls	800m (1 lap)
6 year boys	800m (1 lap)
6 year girls	800m (1 lap)
9 year old boys	2.2km (3 laps)
9 year old girls	2.2km (3 laps)
7 year boys	1.5km (2 laps)
7 year girls	1.5km (2 laps)
8 year boys	1.5km (2 laps)
8 year girls	1.5km (2 laps)

- At the end of each race, the top five runners will be given a number on their hand and are to go to gazebo to record their names.
- Teachers will, from the top five runners for the 9, 10 & 11 year races, decide who will then compete in the New Plymouth Cross Country on the 8th September. We sometimes select our top 8 year old runners to run in the 9 year old race. (Top 12 runners from the NP cross country each event will compete in Hawera on 23rd Sept)
- Finish Time approx 2pm

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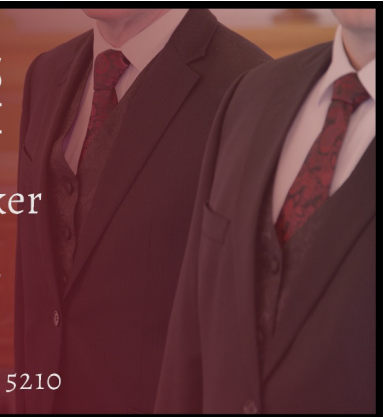
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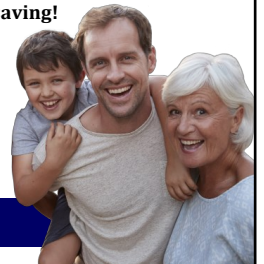
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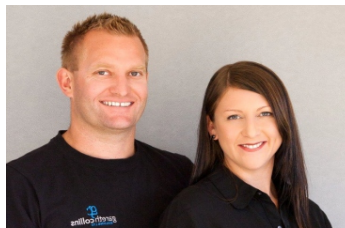
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