

# St John Bosco School

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Principal: Mr Dee Luckin



## TERM DATES

Term 4 - 2020

Mon 12 Oct - Fri 11 Dec

Term 1 - 2021

Wed 3 Feb - Fri 16 Apr

Term 2 - 2021

Mon 3 May - Fri 9 Jul

Term 3 - 2021

Mon 26 Jul - Fri 1 Oct

Term 4 - 2021

Mon 18 Oct - TBC

## EVENTS

**Athletics Day**

Fri 20 Nov

**School Mass**

Sun 22 Nov, 10.30am

**Community Group Meeting**

Wed 25 Nov, 7.30pm

**School Triathlon**

Fri 4 Dec

**Helpers Morning Tea**

Wed 2 Dec, 10am

**Graduation & Final Assembly**

Thu 10 Dec, 6pm

**Last Day of Term 4**

Fri 11 Dec, 12 noon



## From the Principals Desk...

**School Athletics 2020:** We are looking forward to our athletics day tomorrow Friday 20th November. Mel has very enthusiastically organised our own SJB event as our traditional Catholic Athletics day has been cancelled. Some events may be slightly modified i.e. Our field won't allow a full 100m track. But we'll try and make it as authentic as we can.

The day will start with our Juniors rotating around organised events from 9:00am onwards.

The focus of the day will be based on participation and giving every event a go. We won't be allocating placings for each event but children will be encouraged to give it their best and try hard.

Our Senior children will then follow from 12:15 pm onwards.

Parents and family are more than welcome to come along and watch or support.

- Sunhats will be essential
- Junior children can come to school with sunblock already applied
- Juniors can come to school in PE gear - have their school uniform in their bag for later. If they don't have PE uniform they'll be okay in school uniform or other suitable clothing.
- Seniors come to school in uniform and get dressed into PE gear later. **If they don't have PE uniform they'll need other suitable clothing.**

The details and overview for the day are on page 2 of the newsletter.

**End of Year Senior Graduation and final assembly:** The year of Covid has forced many changes. We have also considered our end of year graduation for our Year 6 students and our final school assembly for the year. This year we will move back to our Church Our Lady Help of Christians. With the modernisation and addition of a

hospitality space we can now host more people.

**Please keep Thursday 10th December free, starting at 6pm.**

During this graduation / assembly we will farewell our year 6 students and leaving families. Our Senior prizegiving will take place with our end of year cups being awarded to Year 6 students. Each year we also present diligence awards to two students from each class.

This our final chance to thank our community for their support over the year and have really appreciated the efforts families have made to attend the final assembly / graduation. As it is a formal school event children are required to wear full school uniform.

**School Mass:** We are encouraging you all to keep this Sunday 22nd November 10:30am free as this is our next school Mass. It has been such a long time since our last celebration of our faith as a whole school community and it would be amazing to pack our church out to end the year. It is an expectation that families do attend our school mass. This is an opportunity for you as a family to really acknowledge and support the special character of our school. Please join us.

We will also continue our tradition of collecting for the Foodbank and ask families to bring donations of food which can be placed at the altar prior to mass beginning.

Children are not required to wear school uniform during school mass.

This term we are asking all families to provide a small plate of finger food for hospitality following mass.

**Appreciation Morning Tea:** We would like to invite all parents and friends of the school who have this year assisted us in any way with classroom help, coaching or managing sports, cultural or academic teams, or supported and assisted with any school events to

our end of year helpers morning tea. This will be held in the school staffroom on Wednesday 2nd December at 10:00am.

This is our small way of saying thank you and acknowledging that your help in many different ways plays a big role in the successes of our school.

**Community Group Meeting:** Our next and final Community Group meeting for the year is scheduled for **Wednesday 25th November 7:30pm in the school staffroom.** You are all welcome. The focus of the meeting will be looking at how we can assist with the upcoming school triathlon.

**School Pool Use:** Our Board of Trustees have again decided that the school pool will be made available to school families over the holiday period. We will let you know via the newsletter and our school app when we are set to distribute keys. The cost will be \$65 **which will need to be paid before the collection of a key** (a \$15 bond will be returned on return of the key at the end of the season). All key holders will sign the schools user agreement and rules prior to keys being given.

The pool is currently set to be used so we are now looking forward to some consistent weather that will allow us to swim prior to the end of our school year.

**HERO Student Reports:** You may have noticed that some uploaded content related to your child's report such as writing samples or math evidence has been affected. HERO has had a software fail that resulted in some content being affected. We feel that this content is really important and where we can, we will reinstate the missing evidence in the coming weeks. We apologise for this but it really has been out of our hands. We will be releasing students reports week 9 of this term. This will include information about your child's writing, maths, religious education, te reo and a final general comment for the year.

## Athletics Day Overview

SBJ - Standing Broad Jump	Yr 0/1 Boys	Yr 0/1 Girls	Year 2 Boys	Year 2 Girls	Year 3 Boys	Year 3 Girls
9:00	Meet on the Courts and get into Year Groups					
9:10	Sack Race	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus
9:30	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Sack Races
9:50	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Sack Races	High Jump
10:10	Morning Tea - bell at 10:25 to regroup for 2nd round					
10:30	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Sack Race	High Jump	Shot Put
10:50	SBJ	Discus	Sack Race	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint
11:10	Discus	Sack Race	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ
11:30	Lunch for the Juniors					

11:30 Lunch for the Seniors and get dressed into PE kit

SBJ - Standing Broad Jump	Yr 4 Boys	Yr 4 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 5 Girls	Year 6 Boys	Year 6 Girls
12:15	Meet on the Courts and get into Year Groups					
12:20	Long Jump	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus
12:45	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Long Jump
1:10	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Long Jump	High Jump
1:35	Sprint	SBJ	Discus	Long Jump	High Jump	Shot Put
2:00	SBJ	Discus	Long Jump	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint
2:25	Discus	Long Jump	High Jump	Shot Put	Sprint	SBJ
2:50	PACK UP					

We made \$291 from our recent second hand school uniform sale. These will be run termly from next year. All donations appreciated, we are especially in need of smaller sizes. Please leave any unwanted school uniform at the school office. Thank you

Dear Parents/Grandparents who have helped out this year

We want to say a huge THANK YOU for all of your support this year

You are invited to our SJB thank you morning tea!

When: Wednesday 2nd December  
Time: 10am, Where: Staff Room

Please RSVP to Andrea by Friday 27th November  
758 3165 or [office@sjb.school.nz](mailto:office@sjb.school.nz)



## 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.



### \* \* \* SCHOOL MASS \* \* \*

School Mass is this Sunday 22 November at 10:30am. This starts at 10:30a.m. All families are invited and as it is the only school Mass for the year I'd really appreciate your effort to attend. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

#### Mass Reminders:

- If you are unable to attend, please let your child's teacher or Mr Luckin know.
- We will be collecting for Foodbank at our school Mass so please if you can bring along something nice for families in need this Christmas. Offerings can be placed in front of the altar on Sunday. If you are not able to come to Mass, you may leave your donations in the office.
- **Year 6 Student Leavers will receive a special farewell blessing during Mass**
- Morning tea will be in the new church foyer - we hope you will join us. Please bring a small plate to share.
- Swimming pool will be open for those who dare to take a brisk dip.



#### Important Feast Days this week

##### **21st November - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

On this Feast is the Presentation of Mary in the Temple by Joachim and Anne. They of course are the grandparents of Jesus. Jesus was also presented in the Temple.

##### **22nd November - Christ the King Sunday**

This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical year of the church and is a feast day that focuses on the authority of Christ. Jesus Christ King of the Universe.

The next Sunday (29th November) will be the First Sunday of Advent. ***Have you got your Advent Wreath ready?***

#### Ecumenical Liturgy to mark the beginning of Advent:

The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth extends a warm welcome to the students and staff and whanau of St John Bosco School to join with the local Anglican and Catholic communities in a combined liturgy to mark the beginning of Advent. The Advent wreaths of all communities and whanau will be blessed during this liturgy next **Wednesday 25 November at St Joseph's Church Powderham Street New Plymouth at 7.00pm**. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office.

	<b>SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER</b>	<b>SCHOOL MASS</b>
Week 7	Wednesday 25th November	Pohutukawa, Kowhai
Week 8	Wednesday 2nd December	Horoeka, Nikau

## ★ 2020 ★

# CHRISTMAS

## FOODBANK DRIVE

LISTEN FOR THE SIRENS

MONDAY 7 DEC 2020

FROM 5.30PM

#### **Bishop Owen Dolan Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination** **(10/12/95-10/12/20)**

Everyone is invited to a celebration of the Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Owen Dolan.

Jubilee Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, Palmerston North, on Thursday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 12.05pm.  
Luncheon to follow in the Diocesan rooms, all welcome. No RSVP required.

Monsignor Brian Walsh, Local Administrator, Diocese of Palmerston North.

## the Voice

## of CHRISTMAS

WIN A SMART BEDROOM!

From 6am this Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB - it's 'The Voice of Christmas' singing competition... on the 'Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show'...

If you're under 13 and can sing, simply call

## 0800 THE VOICE

and sing a Christmas Carol as your audition.

That's 0800 843 864.

Grand prize: **Smart Bedroom Bundle** - Amazon Echo Plus smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs!

Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB from 6am, to see if you've won!

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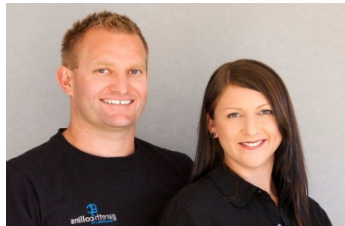
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