

St John Bosco School

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Principal: Mr Dee Luckin



TERM DATES

Term 4 - 2020

Mon 12 Oct - Fri 11 Dec, noon finish

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

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...

Welcome: We would like to welcome Ashton O'Keeffe to room Puriri, Ashton joins his big sister Maddie at school.

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.

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 will start at 6:00pm.

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.

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.

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. 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. Details on how to purchase a key are on page 2.

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.

Class Swap for 2021: Each year we allow students the opportunity to spend some time with their allocated teacher for the following year and begin to build relationships. This will take place on Tuesday 8th December. Many hours are devoted to class placement. Our classes in no way are based on academic ability. Rather our professional knowledge of what is best for your child. Parents will be informed via an

email following on from this and will be given information regarding class placement and stationery for 2021.

Class Stationery 2021: We have again worked hard to source the best possible pricing for our families. The school does not receive any product or reward from our provider as it is our mission to get the best possible price for you. We also try to make the process easy and stress free for you. We will again be working with Office Products Depot. They will have pre made packs ready for you to collect at their shop. Some classes will have an optional extras list. The reasoning behind an optional extras list is to allow families to reuse items such as coloured pencils, headphones etc. These items are required and essential for the class.

All you need to do is know which class your child is in, pop in and pick up the pack and any extra optional extras you may require.

School Triathlon: There is information included in this newsletter about the event to read. We will also today send out via our school app a rough time estimate of when your child will start. Please be aware that this is an estimate only and it may pay to allow some time either side of this.

School Mass: Another beautiful school Mass took place on Sunday. Thank you to the families that joined us to celebrate this. The staff and I certainly appreciate your attendance. Once again the Food Bank was incredibly grateful for our community's generosity and service shown in our food collection. We know that this will make a massive difference to some. You can't beat coming together as a community to celebrate, sing and connect.

Dear Parents/Grandparents & Friends of the School 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@sib.school.nz



News from the Community Group

School Pool keys for the summer:

We are pleased to announce that with the support of the BOT we will be opening the school pool up once again. The cost for a school pool key will be \$65 (**this includes a \$15 bond**)

Each family will also be asked to sign a pool use contract on pick up of their key with Andrea at the school office.

Please pay online with your name in the reference so we can tick off who has paid

The SJB Community account number is:

Bank: TSB Account name: SJB Community Group

Account number: 15-3944-0007510-00

Reference: your child's first and last name (so that payments can be checked before the pool keys are handed out)

Pool keys will be available for pick up from the office during the last week of school.

SJB Triathlon 2020 - Kia Ora Koutou

Our school triathlon is approaching fast! Lots of fantastic fundraising took place at the beginning of this term so now it is time to complete the event to be rewarded with the chosen prizes. These prizes will be given out in the week following the triathlon.

This triathlon is not a race! The aim for the triathletes is to feel the satisfaction of achievement when they complete their course in their own time, and to have fun! There will be staggered starts (5-6 people) so that there are not too many people in the swimming pool at one time.

The triathlon is on **Friday 4th December**. The event will begin at 9:30am and go through to approximately 2:00pm. **A list of approximate times will be sent home via the school app, to allow you a chance to come and watch.** We will do our best to stick close to these times but can not guarantee this.

Please ensure that your child comes to school already **dressed for their triathlon in their togs with a t-shirt** to put on after the swim leg. As well as bringing a change of clothes and towel for after their race. Their **bikes, helmets and suitable footwear** will need to be at school **before 9:30am**. (Helmets and shoes must be worn). You are most welcome to leave the bikes at school the night before to save the rush in the morning. Let your teacher know if you are doing this to ensure that they get locked up overnight.

When at school, the students will be given a race number to pin onto their tops and a race number to attach to their bikes. **Please collect these from your child's teacher.** The bikes are then to be walked to the transition area (top of the field). No riding around the school grounds during this time will be permitted due to safety reasons. If you are parking to drop off bikes, please consider parking on Paynters Ave or Darnell St, and walking the bikes in to stop congestion around the church car park area.

If the weather is not looking good on the day, a decision will be made at 8:15am and notification will be posted on our school app.

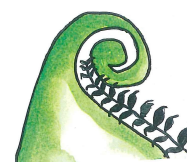
As the children finish their triathlon, they will receive a free ice block kindly provided by the SJB Community Group. The children will also pick up their pre-purchased sausage at the finish line. **Order forms have been sent home today.** Adults can either pre purchase sausages with their child or can buy directly from the bbq area.

Thank you for your support Matt Moorby



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.



Advent Wreath Blessing

Last night our Special Character Leaders, Hailey and Alejandro, took our school Advent Wreath to the special Advent Wreath Blessing at St Joseph's church. Both students have been incredibly committed to their role and in their responsibilities as Special Character leaders this year. Thank you both for your service.



The first week of Advent begins this Sunday.

Advent Wreaths are often found not only in people's homes but also in the church. This circular evergreen wreath usually contains 4 candles (3 purple and one rose) and each of these candles represents one of the Sundays of Advent. Families who have this wreath in the home will light the candles on each Sunday and say prayers together. It is believed that this tradition goes back to Lutherans in Germany during the 16th century. Sometimes this wreath is known as an Advent Crown.

The Circle of the wreath represents God's everlasting love for us, there is no beginning or end to His love. The evergreen leaves are a symbol of God's promise of everlasting life.

On Christmas Day, a white candle is put into the centre of the wreath. It is called the 'Christ Candle'. It is put into the centre to remind us that Christ should be at the centre of all that we do, especially during the Christmas season.



Class Mass Timetable

Week 8	Wednesday 2nd December	Horoeke, Nikau
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**2021 Attendance Dues Information**

- The compulsory **Attendance Dues charges for 2021** have been confirmed and are as follows:
 - **Primary** charge (Year 0 – 8) per child: **\$455.00**
 - **Secondary** charge (Year 9 – 13) per child: **\$910.00**
- A **voluntary donation of \$30.00 per child** will also be included on the annual invoice sent in March 2021. A donation receipt will be sent in April each year for any donations made to 31 March so that a tax rebate may be claimed for any donation amount of \$5.00 or more.
- If you would like to make regular payments to spread payment of the total charge over the whole calendar year the amounts **per child** made from the **start of the year** are as follows:

Weekly - attendance dues only		Weekly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$8.75	Primary	\$9.33
Secondary	\$17.50	Secondary	\$18.08

Fortnightly - attendance dues only		Fortnightly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$17.50	Primary	\$18.66
Secondary	\$35.00	Secondary	\$36.16

Monthly - attendance dues only		Monthly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$37.92	Primary	\$40.42
Secondary	\$75.84	Secondary	\$78.37

- For assistance with payment options or to set up a regular deduction, please contact the Attendance Dues team.
- We can be contacted on **0800 200 208** or by email: **dues@pndiocese.org.nz**.

MUSIC Lessons

for 2021

Mike Gordon is now taking registrations for those interested to learn an instrument in 2021 during school hours.

Singing **Piano**
Guitar **Ukulele**

Please contact Mike for more details:
mikegordon457@yahoo.co.nz or
phone: 027 932 1947

**Our School Core Values**

Love

Resilience



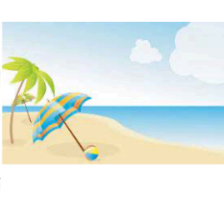

Co-operation

Service





Our holiday programme schedule is out, if you would like to enrol please pick up an enrolment form from either Andrea or Cherie.

The Holiday Programme will be also open from 12pm on Friday 11 Dec, our last day of school, the cost is \$5.00 per child per hour, children will need to bring their lunch on this day.

Week One December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 14th December	Tuesday 15th December	Wednesday 16th December	Thursday 17th December	Friday 18th December
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
Christmas Party	Cupcakes & cookies	Art with Mrs. Chan	Beach Trip	Sewing Santa Hats
				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				

Note: All activities are subject to change depending on the weather and booking numbers

Week Two December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 21st December	Tuesday 22nd December			
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
Strawberry Santas/ Christmas Cookies	Scooter Ride Along Foreshore			
				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming			
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				


Note: All activities are subject to change depending on the weather and booking numbers

Week Three December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 4th January	Tuesday 5th January	Wednesday 6th January	Thursday 7th January	Friday 8th January
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
	Balls, Balls, Balls	Mega Bounce.	Yummy goodies	Painting Tiles
Stat Day				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				



Week Four December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 11th January	Tuesday 12th January	Wednesday 13th January	Thursday 14th January	Friday 15th January
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
Water Slide & Colour Run	Gingerbread Houses	Movies	Photoframes	Kids Have Talent!
				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				

Week Five December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 18th January	Tuesday 19th January	Wednesday 20th January	Thursday 21st January	Friday 22nd January
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
Giant Snakes & Ladders	Pancake Animals	Swimming Pool Bell Block	Magic Gardens	Sink or Float
				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				

Note: All activities are subject to change depending on the weather and booking numbers

Week Six December - February Holiday Programme 14th December- 2nd Feb 2021				
Monday 25th January	Tuesday 26th January	Wednesday 27th January	Thursday 28th January	Friday 29th January
Morning				
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>				
Make Your Own Newspaper	Nachos & Sundaes	Brooklands Zoo	Golf Course	Sandcastles & Sand races
				
Afternoon				
Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Other Extra Activities: Beads, Board Games, Outdoor Game Rotations, Key Rings, Cards				

Note: All activities are subject to change depending on the weather and booking numbers

Monday 1st February	Tuesday 2nd February
Morning	
<i>Colouring Competition and Free Time from 8-10am</i>	
Outdoor Games	Water Bombs & Water Guns
	
Afternoon	
Swimming	Swimming

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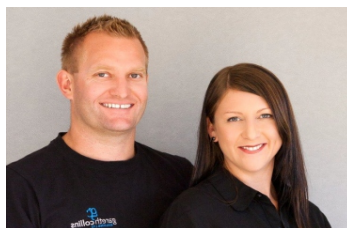
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