

St John Bosco School

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TERM DATES

Term 1
Wed 3 Feb - Fri 16 Apr

Term 2
Mon 3 May - Fri 9 Jul

Term 3
Mon 26 Jul - Fri 1 Oct

Term 4
Mon 18 Oct - Thu 16 Dec

EVENTS

Swimming Sports
Tue 9 Mar

Ambrose Golf Day
Sun 14 Mar

School Mass
Sun 21 Mar



From the Principals Desk...

Welcome: We would like to welcome Blake James to room Puriri and his parents Cindy and Mark to our SJB school community.

Last week Mrs Mehana and myself were privileged to spend three days with our Catholic Principal and Director of Religious Studies colleagues from the Palmerston North Diocese. We also spent time with the Priests from our diocese and Cardinal John Dew. It is always a pleasure to connect with other Catholic educators and spend valuable time reflecting on and growing in the nature of catholic education. It was a time to celebrate all the great things we do and also discuss some of the challenges we face as a church also. On Friday it was great to leave the team with a clear focus on our mission and purpose as catholic schools.

It's hard to believe that next week is week 6 of term 1. The varied weeks have in many ways made the term fly by. Thank you for supporting our Golf Day mufti last week. Every little bit we collect means that in the end we collect a whole lot more at our main fundraiser for the year and in return we get awesome resources for the children here at SJB.

SJB Ambrose Golf Day: We are only 8 days away from our Ambrose Golf Day... We have had a great response from our community in regards to sponsorship and teams being entered. Thank you for supporting us. The Golf Team and Community group have been working hard behind the scenes to ensure the day is once again successful.

We are now seeking any support we can muster in the following areas...

- Teams - we would still have a small amount of space for teams to enter. If you are interested please contact Mike Fleming via email mike.flemming@rabobank.com
- Spot prizes - we are now on the hunt for any spot prizes to be handed out on the day to the players. You might like to provide a voucher from Mitre 10, a local

coffee shop or Rebel Sport. You may have some work merchandise that we could use etc etc... These can be dropped to Andrea in the office.

- We are after donations of small bottles of water and cans of fizzy drink. These can also be dropped to Andrea in the office.
- We also require volunteers to help out on the day with cooking the BBQ, setting up gazebos, selling drinks, selling food, setting up afternoon tea for the players and packing up the equipment at the end of the day. We would be incredibly grateful if you could offer support for one or two of the time frames following 8:30-10:00, 10-12:00, 12:00-2:00, 2:00-3:30. If you can help out could you please email me principal@sjb.school.nz and I'll slot you into our roster.

Board Vacancy: Last week we advised of a Board Vacancy. Mr Andrew Murray resigned from his elected position at the end of the year due to his promotion as Principal at St Mary's School in Wellington. Mr Murray and his wife Benita have both served on our Board as elected parents over the past 4 and a half years. We thank them both for their dedicated service to our children.

School Swimming Sports: We are eagerly awaiting the announcement of what might happen in relation to alert levels for us in the coming weeks. At this stage we are planning that our swimming sports will go ahead on Tuesday 9th March as planned. Although we are aware that if we stay at the current level we will have to postpone our event. We will once again let you know the outcome after we are more clearer on the alert level situation over the weekend. Like all events we are actively encouraging all children to take part and have a go. Our focus is on children doing their best and feeling proud of coming home saying they took part in all activities.

Assuming we are at alert level 1 we would love Parents and grandparents to come along and

support the children. Details of the day are on page two.

School Mass / Meet the Teachers / Whanau Mass: We have scheduled Sunday 21st March 10:30am as our first school Mass. We would love you all to come along and celebrate mass with us. Our expectation is that all families and children will attend. This first mass will be an opportunity for families to meet the teachers, our Board of trustees and community group members. Following on at the conclusion of mass our community group will be providing free sausages, the pool will be open and we are planning for some other treats as well. Please come along.

Weekday Mass Major Changes to our School environment: Next week, weekday Mass that normally occurs at St Joseph's Church will be moved to Our Lady Help Of Christians due to renovations. This means that there will be Mass at our church at 8:05am and also 12:00pm during the week. Obviously there will be a considerable increase in traffic at school at 8:00am and also at the conclusion of Mass at 9:00am. I need you all to be aware of this and consider your driving actions in and around the school in the morning.

Family Emergency Contacts: Andrea is in the process of sending out our parent contact information forms. It is really important that you review all contacts and ensure they are correct and return these to school. We have occasions where contact numbers and emails have changed making it difficult to contact and keep in touch with families. Thank you.

School Value Term 1 2021:

R E S I L I E N C E

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

Our Value focus for Term 1 is Resilience. Each term through our learning programmes we integrate and work alongside one of our Gospel values to instill our children with skills and strategies. This term as we learn about Jesus we are also learning to be resilient. So what does that look like or mean at St John Bosco? We see **RESILIENCE AS COURAGE & BRAVERY**

As we try to be brave in little things, we will learn to become stronger and take risks to help us overcome difficulties and sort out problems for ourselves.

- Children will attempt new tasks and activities
- Children will learn to cope with disappointments and setbacks
- Children will learn to think of ways to solve problems, for themselves and as a group
- Children will become confident to try new activities and encourage others to do so too
- Children will feel confident to share their feelings and experiences with others
- Children will develop ways to handle new and uncomfortable situations

Swimming Sports Schedule

Seniors 25m pool		approx	
Flutter Board front 1 Length	7 – 10 year boys /girls	9:30	
Flutter Board back 1 Length	7 – 10 year boys /girls	9:40	
Freestyle 1 Length 25m	7 – 10 year boys /girls	9:50	
Backstroke 1 length 25m	7 – 10 year boys /girls	10:00	
Breaststroke 1 length 25 m	Open all ages mixed	10:10	
Butterfly 1 length 25m	Open all ages mixed	10:20	
Medley 1 length Bk,Bs,Fr 25 m	Open all ages mixed	10:30	
Seniors 25 m Pool			
House Relays		11:00	
Relay race	Parents Vs Students	11:40	
Free Swim	7 – 10 year boys /girls	11:50	12:15
Juniors 15 m pool			
All 7 year old boys races	flutter boards, noodles, freestyle	9:30	
All 7 year old girls races	flutter boards, noodles, freestyle	9:50	
All 6 year old boys races	flutter boards, noodles, freestyle	10:10	
All 6 year old girls races	flutter boards, noodles, freestyle	10:30	
All 5 year old boys races	jumping, running, noodles	10:50	
All 5 year old girls races	jumping, running, noodles	11:10	
Changing for return	5-7 Year boys/girls	11:40	
Changing for return	7 – 10 year boys /girls	12:15	

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

Pope's prayer intention for March: The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Pope Francis' prayer intention for March seeks to highlight the joy that the Sacrament of Reconciliation brings, and reminds us that it's a loving and merciful encounter between us and God.

FIRST RECONCILIATION / FIRST COMMUNION 2021

REMINDER: The last Parent Preparation session is this evening at OLHC 7-9pm



There will be a special blessing for children participating in the programme at every **Sunday morning Mass** during March through until the reconciliation liturgies. We strongly encourage attendance at as many masses as possible during this time of preparation, this helps support the learning but is also essential to our Catholic identity/belonging to our faith community.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated at an evening liturgy on **Thursday 25 March at St Joseph's church and Friday 26 March at OLHC church**, times to be confirmed.

A New Way Forward He Ara Whakamua, he Ara Hou

Second Week of Lent

"Life is a journey, along which we must be helped by 'companions,' by 'protectors,' by 'compasses' that guard us against dangers, and from the snares we might encounter along the way."

Pope Francis, Holy Mass, Santa Marta, 2 October 2018

PRAYER: E te Matua Kaha Rawa, Almighty Father, you sent your only son Jesus to show us the new way to you; you told us to listen to him. You call us every day. Open our hearts to your call and lead us on your pathways. Help us to listen to our friends too, when they support us on our journey. Help us to help them too. Āmene.

REFLECTION: What does the word 'companion' mean? Like a friend, a companion is someone who we share a special bond with - through shared experiences, values, or beliefs.

Who might be someone you have a special bond with? Why do you think it is important to share special moments with our friends and the ones we love?

How do we know that Jesus is one of our true friends for life and that he wants to share his experiences with us?

School and Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and encourage you to attend these Masses where possible.

This term **School Mass is on Sunday 21st March at 10:30am.**

We encourage all families to make the commitment to attend school Mass.

It is important that we gather as a community and support our children's faith development.

After Mass we will have a sausage sizzle, swim and fun activities provided by our St John Bosco Community Group.

Week 6	Wednesday 10th March	Karaka / Rimu
Week 7	Wednesday 17th March	Horoeka / Nikau
Week 8	Sunday 21st March, 10.30am Wednesday 24th March	SCHOOL MASS Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 9	Wednesday 31st March	Totorā / Kauri
Week 10	Wednesday 7th April	Karaka / Rimu
Week 11	Wednesday 14th April	Horoeka / Nikau

Our School Core Values

Love


Resilience

Co-operation

Service



Art from Pohutukawa and Kowhai



Jesus is my friend.

Jesus is the light of the world and caring

Everyday you are invited to be like Jesus and he was kind.

Son of God and obedient and helpful.

Used peace instead of war and he was joyful.

Saviour of the world and forgiving.

By Pippa

Jesus Is My Friend

Joyful Like God, Kind And Nice


Everyone Should Love Him As He Is Faith-Full

Saviour Of The World, Special Like Us

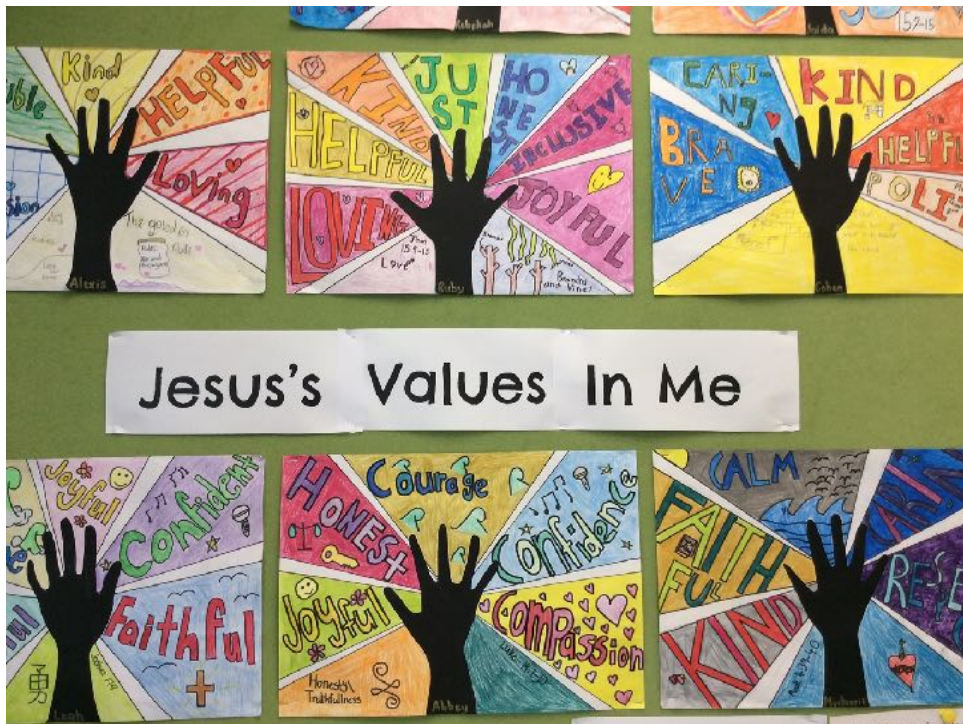
Used Peace To All, As A Creator And Healer

Shared Bread And Wine, Before He Rose From The Dead And Is Our Loving Saviour

By Gemma



PIC-COLLAGE



Jesus's Values In Me

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St John Bosco School

Presents our 2021

Ambrose Golf Day

With the support of **Taranaki Steelformers** we are proud to present our major fundraiser for 2021: an AMBROSE Golf Tournament

WHEN Sunday 14th March
WHERE Westown Golf Club
TIME 11.00am Start



Here is how you can choose to help us:

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<input type="radio"/>	Sponsor a Hole	Get your company's logo/ad displayed on a large digital billboard at Registration, at the Food Tent during the day for maximum foot traffic coverage, on a large screen in the clubrooms during prizegiving, and on the teams' scorecards. In addition sponsors will be promoted in the School's newsletter and on our Facebook page.	\$300 Per Hole
<input type="radio"/>	Sign up a Team	Teams of 4 - 6 Players Serious/Social/Non Golfers all welcome!	\$30 per Player
<input type="radio"/>	Make a donation	Donate a spot prize, a voucher (e.g. from a local café, Rebel Sport or similar) we shall use as a spot prize, or make a cash donation. All donations are greatly appreciated.	Your Choice
<input type="radio"/>	Help on the day	Support us with the setup, signing in players, the bbq, selling food and drinks, serving afternoon tea, the prizegiving or packing up. An hour or two is all that is needed.	Your time

Name _____

Business Name (if applicable) _____

Contact Number _____



Return this form to
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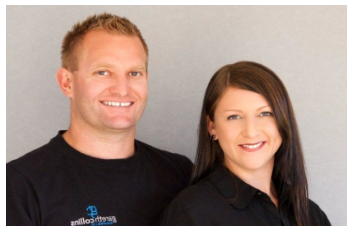
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