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TERM DATES

Term 4

Mon 18 Oct - Thur 16 Dec (12 noon finish)

Term 1 - 2022

Wed 2 Feb - Thu 14 Apr

EVENTS

Teachers Only Day
Fri 26 Nov

Mufti Day
Fri 3 Dec

School Athletics Day
Tue 7 Dec

End of Year Graduation
Wed 15 Dec, 6pm & 6.45pm

End of Term 4
Thu 16 Dec, 12 Noon finish



From the Principals Desk...

REMINDER: Teacher Only Day Tomorrow
School is closed, have a great weekend, see you all on Monday.



FOOD BANK MUFTI DAY



Friday 3rd December

This year the Food Bank can not complete their annual street appeal due to Covid19. In the spirit of giving during Advent and Christmas we would love the SJB community to get behind the Food Bank and support them with a mufti day.

Wear Christmas Mufti Clothing (*red and green*) and **bring a donation for the foodbank.**

Here is a list of items that the food bank currently needs. Otherwise luxury items will also be really appreciated.

Thanks for your support.



FOOD BANK

NEW PLYMOUTH

tinned tomatoes
tinned vegetables
long life milk
pasta sauce
toilet paper
sugar
biscuits
muesli bars
baked beans
tinned fruit
cereal
tooth paste
dish washing liquid
nappies

Shopping list

tinned fish
pasta
rice
peanut butter/jam
tinned spaghetti
milo
crackers
instant coffee
soup
tea
tooth brushes
soap
clothes wash
shampoo/conditioner

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November: *People Who Suffer from Depression*

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

ADVENT begins this weekend

The Advent wreath is part of our long-standing Catholic tradition. Traditionally, Advent wreaths hold four coloured candles, lit one by one through the four weeks of the season. These candles represent in order: hope, love, joy, and peace. Each is purple except the pink, which represents joy. A fifth candle, the white Christ candle, is added to the wreath and lit on Christmas Eve or on Christmas Day. Advent wreaths are a great way to mark the Advent season and involve your household in the process. Make yours now!



Today we held a Liturgy to bless our classroom Advent Wreaths.

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ.
He is Emmanuel, the hope of all peoples;
He is the wisdom that teaches and guides us;
He is the Saviour of every nation.
O God, let your blessing come upon our community gathered here before you.



Bless us all and our advent wreaths
May the light that shines forth from them illuminate our way as we journey towards Christmas;
May the light that shines forth from them illuminate our lives as we wait in hope for the birth of the Christ child.
We ask this through Christ who is the Light of the World.
Amen.

**Message from Father Simon Story**

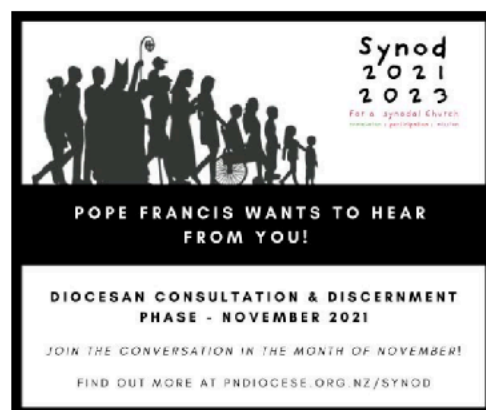
The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth is planning to hold two public consultations for the Synod...

Sunday 21st November - 4pm

Sunday 28th November - 4pm

Where: St Joseph's Hall, Devon Street West.

- Participants are all invited to read the Preparatory Document before the event. [View this online.](#)
- The Ignatian discernment process will be explained.
- Everyone will be invited to join a labelled table according to the themed questions that they are interested in.
- A facilitator at each table will lead the group through the discernment process to explore the discerned response to the questions provided.
- Everyone is welcome to attend.



You may already belong to a group that will hold a discerned response to the synod questions?

Individuals can also respond online through the link in the Palmerston North diocesan synodal website. However, a group discernment is the preferred response method.

Father Simon Story – Parish Priest

Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



Parish Mass

Cardinal John Dew has announced that during Alert Level 2, now that gatherings are limited to 100 - we will be using a 'first in first served' ticket system, for Mass. So if you are going you will need to arrive early to your preferred Mass time. There are new restrictions including that everyone will be required to wear a mask. Please refer to the [NP Catholic Parish Website](#) for further details and information and for Mass times.

School and Class Mass

Father Simon invited us to start coming back to class mass on Wednesday Mornings, which we have been doing for the last couple of weeks. Children and school staff are not required to wear a mask to attend. You are welcome to come along to mass, however please remember that the 100 person limit will still apply, so you would need to be early and ensure that you sign in and follow social distancing and hand sanitising practises as outlined in the church foyer and [NP Catholic Parish Website](#).

Week 7	Wednesday 1st December	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 8	Wednesday 8th December	Rimu & Karaka

Book Amnesty!!!

It's that time of year to hunt through bedrooms, book bags, school bags for SJB reading books. We have lots of books missing from our book boxes and we'd love these to come back to school. Please drop books back to your classroom teacher! Your teacher will give you house points. Kia ora!

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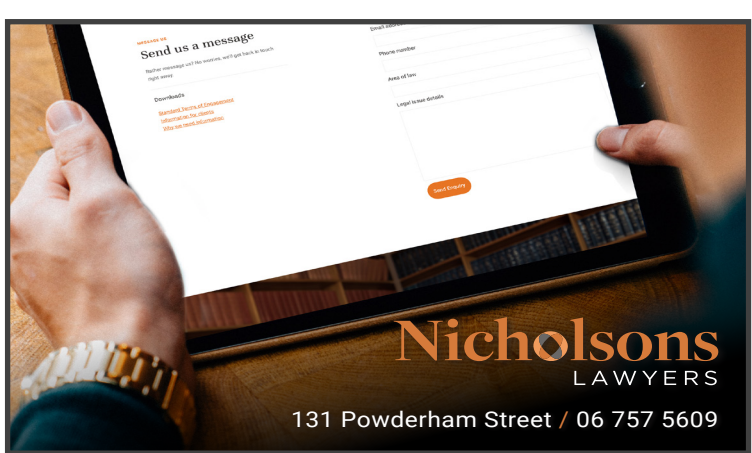


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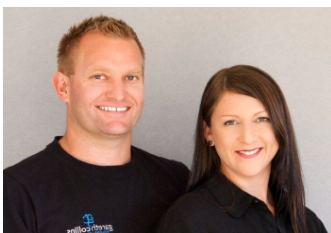
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