

# St John Bosco School

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Principal: Mr Dee Luckin



## TERM DATES

### Term 1

Wed 2 Feb - Thu 14 Apr

### Term 2

Mon 2 May - Fri 8 Jul

### Term 3

Mon 25 Jul - 30 Sep

## EVENTS

### Community Group Meeting

Wed 16 Feb, 7pm



## From the Principals Desk...

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all back to school for 2022. It has been so nice reconnecting with our children and parents over the past week. Although in some cases the start to the year has been quite different being in the red traffic light, I am so proud of how this has been handled by the children and also my staff. I'm proud of the resilience shown by our children. At this point I would also like to thank you as parents for supporting us to ensure the start of the year was as smooth as could be.

I would like to welcome the following new students and families to St John Bosco School.... We ask God to bless you all, as you begin your journey with us.

*Puriri* - Amadea Stanway and her parents Kendra and Andre, Beau Irving and his parents Caroline and Blake, Elliotte Shelswell, Elliotte joins her big sister Tove at school, Hunter Loto and his parents Jessica and James and Zoe Chisholm, Zoe joins her big brother Noah at school.

*Koromiko* - Alexandra Danaher and her parents Janice and Rhys, Ethan Doyle and his parents Rochelle and Gavin, Jessica Ireland, Jessica joins her two big sisters Annabel and Amelia at school, Lincoln Stevens and his parents Corrina and Andre and Xanthe Lagula, Xanthe joins her big brother Enzo at school.

The term has started incredibly well. The children are certainly enjoying their daily swim and chance to cool off. Children are starting to settle into their new classes and learning routines. Our PE lessons began this week also. In term 1 children will take part in PE one day per week due to swimming each day. Our class masses at Our Lady Help of Christians are on hold at the moment. We hope to begin these soon as they are a special part of who we are as a community.

We have started the year under the Red traffic light. The staff and I are continuing to work hard navigating our way through the guidelines of this level and ensure we are doing all we can to keep everyone safe. We are receiving regular advice and communication from the Ministry of Education guiding us. The big focus for the Ministry is keeping schools open for the year. This is great as it gives everyone certainty.

There are two significant changes to the start of the year under the red traffic light...

- Children and staff in years 4-6 wearing masks whilst working in an indoor environment (Outdoors school children or staff are not required to wear a mask).
- Split Junior and Senior interval and lunch breaks. This has allowed us to have two separated teaching teams, meaning should any teachers be required to isolate we will be able to maintain onsite teaching to some degree.

Other important aspects of our red traffic light safety plan involve...

- All visitors, volunteers or parents who are onsite must wear face masks if entering the classroom or waiting in the playground.
- All visitors, volunteers or parents who are onsite signing in through our covid tracing QR codes or in the office.
- All volunteers, parents or children who are unwell please stay home.
- We ask adults onsite to actively social distance.
- We ask that families leave the school grounds promptly after school.

Teachers will also ensure children are sanitising at the necessary times throughout the day. Brent and our cleaner are also sanitising surfaces daily.

Children are rostered to swim each day and we ask that togs come to school each day. The pool has been warm apart

from Tuesday due to the pool being cooled by the heavy amount of rain water. The temperature is rising again.

Term 1 is also a sunhat term. Children will need to wear their school bucket hat everyday during break time to help prevent exposure to the sun. We have begun our no hat no play rule. No hat means children will spend their lunch in a shaded place on our junior deck. Sunblock on these hot days is also important. Classrooms do have a supply of sunblock but it is a great idea if children apply sunblock at home in the morning.

We are also a water only school. Our drinking fountains are open again and available to children all day. We do ask that children bring a water bottle to school each day as keeping hydrated is important. Once emptied children can refill their water at any of our sinks or taps.

Thank you for your understanding of and organisation in relation to drop offs in the morning, especially reducing your presence in class unless you are supporting your child's transition to school in the morning. We are allowing parents to wait in our courtyard onsite after school to collect children. For many of our young families this just seems safer and less stressful.

**SeeSaw accounts for parents:** All Caregivers should have received an invitation to join your child's Seesaw account. If you haven't please make contact with your child's teacher to organise another link. This is one of the main ways of sharing information specific to events happening in your child's class and also an important way we can keep posted about aspects of your child's weekly learning tasks.

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**HERO Student Management App:** HERO is the other main way we keep connected with our families. This is where parents are able to see...

- Termly updates on progress their child is making against the New Zealand Curriculum
- Invoices related to donations, sports or activity fees, stationery fees etc.
- Where you can send student absence notifications from.
- Important messages, notes, sports registrations from me and teachers.

Further information about HERO and how to download the app or log in on your devices will be sent to families via Seesaw. HERO is another important app to have up and running.

**Community Group AGM and First meeting for 2022:** The community group would like to extend and invite all current and new school families to come along and join us for the first meeting of the year, Wednesday 16 February 7pm. The community group is a fun group that gets together a couple times a term and plans a few events as fundraisers to help and support the school.

You do not have to commit to every meeting but we would love to see at some stage. New faces bring fresh ideas and many hands make light work. If you have any questions about the community group please feel free to contact me. Look forward to seeing you. Thanks, Ben Siffleet, 0273195944, ben.siffleet@gmail.com

## Term 1, 2022

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

# R E S I L I E N C E

**I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.**



### Prayer for the Start of 2022 School Year

Gracious God,  
We thank you for our summer, for the glorious taonga of beach, sun, holiday and most of all, for whanau. We praise you for the beauty of Aotearoa and for the wairua of our people.  
Your presence with us and in us, fills us with hope and enthusiasm as we embark on a new school year.  
Acknowledging the challenges of the last two years, we are thankful to be able to be together again. We pray that during 2022 there will be far less disruption from the Covid pandemic. More than anything we pray for the good health of our tamariki, our kaiako and all our school staff and families.  
We confidently make this prayer through Jesus Christ, the reason for our school and our constant teaching companion, Amen.



**Philippians 4:13**

Our school value that we will focus on during term 1, is **manawaroa** demonstrating **resilience**. I can be like Jesus when I embrace new challenges, take risks, accept disappointments and always try my best even when it is difficult.

The key competency we are focusing on is **managing self**. Managing Self when in relationship with Jesus means learning to live according to the Gospels of Jesus.

Our Graduate Profile focus is **Independent Agents, Mana Tangata**. I know what I need to learn, to be more like Jesus.

### Religious Education Learning

We have begun our year establishing classroom prayer routines, and working collaboratively to develop our Class Treaty. We have also been learning about Prayer, Euphrasie Barbier and the Mission Sisters who started our school and St John Bosco our Patron Saint. For the rest of this term we will be learning about Jesus, Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

A reminder that the Family Whanau book is available to view online [www.faihtalive.org.nz](http://www.faihtalive.org.nz) then click the Families tab; this book has lots of practical ideas on how parents can support their child's faith journey.

Your child's learning in RE will be shared from time to time on Seesaw, and their RE book will also come home from time to time. We encourage you to discuss what they are learning with them, and to please comment on their learning in their book and on Seesaw, in a positive way.

**First Reconciliation / Holy Communion 2022:** The Parish Of New Plymouth are beginning to plan the Sacramental programmes for 2022. Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are normally suited for children aged 8 years plus. We have included very keen 7 year old children in the past also. If you wish to register your children for First Holy Communion, Reconciliation and Older Children's Baptism programmes please contact Karen on: [youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz](mailto:youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz)

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for February 2022

*For religious sisters and consecrated women: We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.*



### 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.



**CAMPUS CLOTHING - Our uniform shop**

As of the 14<sup>th</sup> of February (next week) Campus Clothing will trial operating in different shifts. This is to try to minimise the risk of Campus Clothing having to completely close.

Their hours may change, but will endeavour to stay 8.30-4.30pm, and 10-12pm Saturdays. Their website will still be operational for orders. [www.campusclothing.co.nz](http://www.campusclothing.co.nz)



This year Pita Pit is offering the same menu for Friday lunches delivered to school but have added their very popular Pita Chips.

**Pitas - \$6.00**  
**Pita Chips - \$3.00**

Order forms are in the school office and need to be handed in by 9am Friday.

Remember no change can be given.



## NEW PLYMOUTH RANGERS JUNIOR SUMMER SOCCER

**TERM 1 2022**  
**15/02/2022 - 22/03/2022**  
**5.30PM START**  
**MERRILANDS DOMAIN**  
**ENTRY FEE: \$90 PER TEAM**

**6TH GRADE - 5/6 ALL PLAYERS MUST TURN 6 OR BELOW IN 2022**  
**8TH GRADE - 7/8 ALL PLAYERS MUST TURN 8 OR BELOW IN 2022**  
**10TH GRADE - 9/10 ALL PLAYERS MUST TURN 10 OR BELOW IN 2022**  
**12TH GRADE - 11/12 ALL PLAYERS MUST TURN 12 OR BELOW IN 2022**

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or go to our website for more information - [www.nprangers.co.nz](http://www.nprangers.co.nz)  
Team Fees can be paid online. NP Rangers AFC, 15-3942-0001051-00

**NOTE: ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS OR ANYONE OVER THE AGE OF 12 AND 3 MONTHS WILL REQUIRE A VACCINE PASS TO ATTEND**

**FREE FAMILY**

RSVP  
by 16th  
February

**Sunday 20th February 1.30 - 3.30pm**  
**Methanex Bell Block Aquatic Centre**

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**Boost Hockey Academy 2022**

The goal of Boost Hockey Academy is to have fun in the sun, develop some skills, make some new friends & cool off under the sprinklers.

Academy runs on Sunday afternoons, from 13th Feb 2022 for 8 sessions.

Sessions are as follows:

Years 1-4: 3pm, ~50min session, focusing on fun & skill development

Years 5-6: 4pm, 60min session, focus on team work and game play

Years 7-9: 5pm, 15min fitness, 75min turf session, focus on skill development & on-field strategy

Every session ends with our traditional run under the sprinklers for the kids to cool off.

Registration is online at the following link: <https://forms.gle/HT4tPj6PRYz9uYXE8>

Please join the Facebook group: [www.facebook.com/groups/boosthockeyacademy](https://www.facebook.com/groups/boosthockeyacademy)

**Our School Core Values**

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



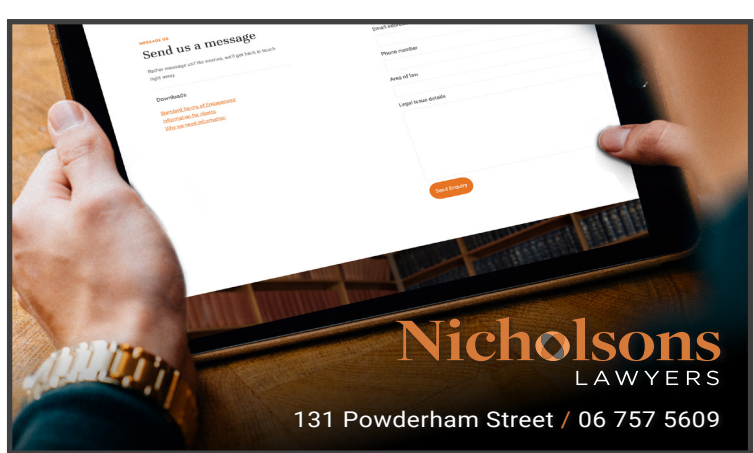


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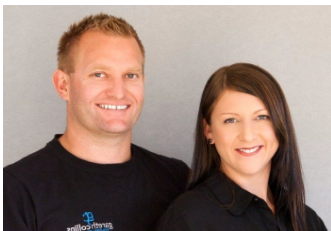
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