

# St John Bosco School

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## TERM DATES

**Term 1**  
Wed 2 Feb - Thu 14 Apr

**Term 2**  
Mon 2 May - Fri 8 Jul

**Term 3**  
Mon 25 Jul - Fri 30 Sep

## EVENTS

**Teacher Only Day**  
Fri 17 June

**School Mass**  
Sun 19 June



## From the Principals Desk...

On Tuesday we celebrated Our Lady Help of Christians feast day. The whole school attended and led the weekday mass. We gave thanks to Mary, our mother, and also our maternal mothers. We acknowledged how they are both very important parts of our lives. Father Tom asked me also to give a brief history recap of the history linked with Our Lady Help of Christians Church and its early beginnings. I thought I'd provide a very brief overview here for you all.

Prior to 1942 Agnes and Thomas Cameron farmed the land that our school, church and Sacred Heart Girls College is on today. They lived in a homestead that would have been located pretty close to the Mission Resthome at SHGC. Early settling Mission Sisters held Sunday Mass and taught children in the back rooms of the homestead and the numbers grew as word spread. In 1942 the Cameron's then decided that as there were large numbers of children attending the school in their home they would donate land to build a school on. As a result St John Bosco School was built. Today the original school is still there, it is Rooms Puriri - Harakeke. Monday to Friday it was a school and on Sunday it was set up as a church to share mass in.

In 1957 it was decided that a church would be built next to the school. The Parish raised the funds and in 1958 Our Lady Help of Christians was opened and held its first mass. The connection between St John Bosco and Our Lady Help of Christians is another story.

Very briefly, St. John Bosco was an ardent promoter of devotion to "Mary, Help of Christians". He even built a huge Basilica in her honour in 1868 and founded a religious Congregation for women, under the title of, "The Daughters of Mary, Help of Christians". John Bosco dedicated his foundation to Our Lady, Help of Christians, the

mother church of his congregation at Turin on June 9, 1868. So, you can see that there is also an incredibly significant and spiritual link between St John Bosco and Our Lady Help of Christians and it's not by chance that they stand beside each other here in Aotearoa.

The story continues. I have been able to identify descendants of the Cameron family June Kissick, Noeline McSweeney and their brother Merv Whittle. They regularly attend mass at Our Lady and have been able to confirm my research. But even better Isla and Ellie Bellringer, great, great, great granddaughters of Agnes and Thomas Cameron are currently attending St John Bosco School.

Like I mentioned before. A very brief overview of the history, with a lot more detail not included...

We have had another week of high absences this week related to covid and other bugs. An average of 50 children away each day. Brent is still sanitising work spaces daily and we are encouraging regular hand sanitising and wearing of masks when we come together in large groups. Thank you for keeping children home who are unwell.

We have had a few local schools visiting us over the past weeks, looking at our curriculum, learning spaces and also discussing our strategic planning and visioning of the school. Next week we have a group of Manawatu Principals visiting to look at our culturally responsive localised curriculum. It's always a privilege to share our story with other schools and is a pat on the back to our teachers also.

**Interschool sports:** I would like to raise your interests to a change of date for our first exchange against Puketapu School. This has now changed to 15th June. So the dates are: Puketapu School 15th June - at SJB

Waitara East 21st June - away  
Mangorei 27th June - away  
St Pius to be rescheduled

**Winter uniform:** We are now asking that students are in their winter uniform. This includes wearing black shoes and navy socks (girls do have an option of white socks). I do ask that the shoes are completely black and you avoid white soles. Students are able to wear any jacket to school. But once in class jackets are not to be worn.

**Rippa Rugby:** We have entered 4 teams into the Tukupa Rippa Rugby competition. This will be held on 9th June. Children selected for these teams should have received a notice with further details. We wish them well.

**Sunday School Lead Parish Mass:** With the movement to Orange level we are in a position to move back to holding our School lead Mass. This has been booked for 19th June 10:30 a.m. At this stage I fully support families' decisions on whether they will or will not attend. I will be asking that families who do attend wear facemasks as a precaution. Obviously I would love you all to attend but at the same time I am wavering on a cautious approach.

**Teacher Only Day:** Our next teacher only day has been booked for Week 7 on Friday 17th June. School will be closed on this day for children.

**Scholastic Bookfair:** Our BookFair closes today Friday 27th May at 3:30p.m. Thank you to the man families that visited our book fair this year. The school has already received \$120 worth of free books donated by Scholastics and we will also receive 30% of the total sum of books sold. This should be around \$1000.00 and further money we can use to purchase new books for our library.

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**ASB lifesaver course:** Ms Lynskey has organised for every class to work through the ASB Lifesaver course. This will take place 9th-14th June. All classes have been allocated a space. I look forward to the children coming home and sharing their learnings with you.

**After School Care:** Mrs Cherie Smith has resigned from her manager's position in our After School Care programme. Cherie has been a part of our staff for 7 years as a teacher aide and also running our ASC program and it will be sad to say goodbye. Her last day will be Friday 17th June.

We currently have the managers position advertised on seek. If you know of anyone who might be interested in taking over as manager please direct them to the advert.

### After School and Holiday Care Programmes Manager

**This is a part time position, the hours being...**

- After School Care Programme: 1.30pm - 5:30pm Monday to Friday during school term time.
- Holiday Programme: 7:45am -5:30pm Monday to Friday during school holidays.

**The job involves:**

- Caring for children aged from 5-11 years of age.
- The day to day running of the centre including implementing the programmed activities, invoicing, resourcing the programme, maintaining our childcare management programme and training staff.
- Ensuring all policies and procedures are followed and ensuring children are safe and happy in care.
- Organising a weekly plan and over seeing games and activities.
- Working with after-school care supervisor(s) and assistants to create a safe and welcoming environment for children.

We are looking for an adaptable and organised Manager who can uphold a safe and structured environment, deliver fun activities and showcase their welcoming personality at our centre. You will need to be confident and intuitive, ready to face different situations in a professional and welcoming manner. We seek a person with experience in working with children and an existing childcare qualification, although this is not a necessity. The successful candidate must be prepared to complete a Police check in line with the requirements for working with children. Start date is negotiable.

Please email CV, covering letter and contact details of two referees to [principal@sjb.school.nz](mailto:principal@sjb.school.nz). A full job description is available on request.

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION MAY 2022 *FAITH FILLED YOUNG PEOPLE*

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

**The Ascension of Our Lord:** The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord is observed this Sunday the 29th May. It is observed 40 days after Easter Sunday. These 40 days go back to the passage we can find in the Acts of the Apostles, written by Luke: "For forty days after Jesus' death he appeared to them many times in ways that proved beyond doubt that he was alive. They saw him, and he talked with them about the Kingdom of God." (Acts 1:3).

The last words Jesus spoke before he ascended into heaven were "But you will receive power, when the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and even to the remotest parts of the earth" (Acts 1:18). This promise came true on Pentecost which we celebrate the next Sunday.

The Ascension then marks the end of Jesus' special appearances - but it does not mean the end of his appearance for good. The ascension signifies that Christ completed his work on Earth and allowed him to prepare a place for his followers in heaven.



#### Laudato Si Week

This week is the 7th anniversary of a letter Pope Francis wrote to the world encouraging everyone in the world to take care of our 'Common Home' the earth. You can learn more about it here on the official website [Laudato si week in the church](#) or you can watch the video [Laudato Si](#).

### HOLY SPIRIT

The Lord, the Giver of Life

TE WAIRUA TAPU



Te Wairua Tapu is God working in and through us to help us to live and be like Jesus.

#### First Reconciliation Preparation

The Preparation programme will **begin next Week on Friday 3rd June**. Karen Maclean, the Young Families Minister for our Parish will be teaching the programme during school time.

The special liturgy where the children will experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time is being held on **Thursday 7th July at 5.30pm at St Joseph's Church**.



#### School Mass

We are excited to be able to have a school lead Mass on **Sunday 19th June at 10:30am at OLHC**. It has been some time since we have been able to do this and we hope you will be able to join us.

Unfortunately, it is still not appropriate for us to have a shared morning tea after mass, so instead we can show manaakitanga to the local food bank with our donations. If you are unable to attend mass, you can still send your donations to the school office.

#### Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and encourage you to attend these Masses where possible. However, the 100 person limit, vaccine passes, masks, hand sanitising and social distancing practises apply as outlined in the church foyer and [NP Catholic Parish Website](#).

<b>Week 5</b>	Tuesday 31st May Change of day due to no Priest on Wednesday	Karaka / Rimu
<b>Week 6</b>	Wednesday 9th June	Totara / Kauri
<b>Week 7</b>	Wednesday 15th June	Nikau / Horoeka
<b>Week 8</b>	Wednesday 22nd June	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
<b>Week 9</b>	Wednesday 29th June	Karaka / Rimu
<b>Week 10</b>	Wednesday 6th July	Kawakawa / Koromiko / Puriri

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