

St John Bosco School

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TERM DATES

Term 2

Mon 2 May - Fri 8 Jul

Term 3

Mon 25 Jul - Fri 30 Sep

Term 4

Mon 17 Oct - Thu 15 Dec

EVENTS

Teacher Only Day

Fri 17 June

School Mass

Sun 19 June, 10.30am



From the Principals Desk...

Welcome: I would like to welcome Luca Anamani to room Puriri and his parents Kate and Vilo to our school community.

It seems that we may have worked our way through a period of higher than normal rates of illness. This week we have had a significantly reduced number of children absent from school. We are hopeful that we may now make our way through the remainder of the term with minimal disruption.

On Wednesday we held our first full school assembly indoors since early August 2021. It was really hard to believe that this was only Mr Stirling's 2nd full school assembly since arriving at SJB. We finally had a chance to welcome 28 new students to our school who have begun since the start of the year.

This week 25 of our students will begin their sacramental programme of reconciliation. We ask you to pray for these students as they enter into a deeper connection with their faith. I also ask that the Holy Spirit will guide them in their thoughts, actions and words during and following their lessons.

The Board of Trustees and I have this week submitted a plan to the Palmerston North Diocese, that will hopefully towards the end of this year or early 2023, see our main netball court covered in artificial turf, as well as a large outdoor all weather learning shelter added to the courtyard outside Rooms Nikau and Horeoka. Covid has meant that the starting of these projects has been pushed out a little further than we had initially planned. But they are now back on the cards.

We seem to go through phases of having lots of school uniform left at school. We try really hard to get this back to its owners but have recently noticed a lot of unnamed uniform. Some of it is brand new. Some pieces

are second hand that have the names of historical children. We ask that you please take some time to check your child's uniform is named

I really hope that you all enjoy the longer Queens Birthday weekend this week. I'm looking forward to my runaround refereeing rugby. Sometimes an extra day of rest is just what we need to shake off those little signs of illness or any sore muscles from running around!

Special Character Review:

During week 9 (June 28th-30th) we will undergo our Special Character Review. A team of reviewers from our Catholic Diocese in Palmerston North will spend time reviewing the many special character aspects of our school curriculum, policy, teaching programmes, enrolment and the many ways we uphold and maintain the special Catholic character of our school. This is a chance for us to celebrate the hard work and affirm that the special character of our school is in great spirit.

The review team has asked me to share the following details and link to a survey in relation to the review they will complete:

Tēnā koutou katoa, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa Atu, Bula Vinaka St John Bosco community, From the 28th – 30th June, St John Bosco School is scheduled for an external evaluation of Catholic special character. The purpose of this evaluation is for the Palmerston North Catholic Education Office to develop a focussed picture of how St John Bosco School is; safeguarding and strengthening Catholic special character, and the impact of this on the faith journey of tamariki and their families.

Your voice is important to us, so we extend an invitation for you to share your reflections on the questions found here <https://forms.gle/iN3RRMPckDGGyWDW9>. Many thanks. Mā te Atua koe e tiaki, e manaaki. Pauline Balm and Jane Dravitzki

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

Rippa Rugby: We have entered 4 teams into the Tukupa Rippa Rugby competition. This will be held on Thursday 9th June at Tukupa Rugby Club. If children have not handed back permission forms we ask that these are in by Tuesday next week at the latest. Children will receive their school sports shirts next week and we ask that they wear black shorts (short legged tights -girls) from home. If children do not have black shorts any sports shorts will be fine.

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: Thank you for supporting our Scholastic book fair last week. We sold approximately \$4500.00 worth of books and in return the school has received a Scholastic Books credit of \$1500.00 that we can use to purchase books for our library. A special thanks to Joanna, Inthira and Merryn for setting up and running our book fair.

After School Care Update

The School Board of Trustees personnel committee and I are working hard to fill the vacancy left with Cherie's resignation. At this stage we are planning on no disruption to our After School Care programme. We will keep you informed as our employment process develops further.

HOLY SPIRIT ARTWORK





GAME DAY

SUNDAY 5 JUNE
5:00PM


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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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION JUNE 2022 **FAMILIES**

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives

Pentecost Sunday - 5th June

Pentecost is the Feast where we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to guide and sustain the Church after the death, resurrection and ascension to Heaven of Jesus. Pentecost is considered to be the **'Birthday of the Church'**. It is hugely significant to us as members of the Church because:

- Without the presence of the Spirit, Jesus' mission could not have continued and the Church would not have been born.
- The Spirit poured out gifts on people that enabled them to live as Jesus lived and build his kingdom here on earth.
- The coming of the Spirit fulfilled Jesus' promise to be with his followers always.
- Pentecost enables the Spirit to live in the world, in the Church and in our hearts guiding and prompting us to make Jesus alive in the world.



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

We have 25 children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please pray for them and their families over the next few weeks as they prepare to take this next step in their Faith journey.

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](#).

Week 6	Wednesday 9th June	Totara / Kauri
Week 7	Wednesday 15th June	Nikau / Horoeke
Week 8	Wednesday 22nd June	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 9	Wednesday 29th June	Karaka / Rimu
Week 10	Wednesday 6th July	Kawakawa / Koromiko / Puriri

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