St John Bosco School



TERM DATES

Term 4 Mon 17 Oct-Thu 15 Dec

Term 1 2022 Tue 31 Jan - Thu 6 Apr

EVENTS

Fish & Chip Friday
Fri 28 Oct

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Tue 1 Nov, 3pm

Catholic Schools Athletics Day Thu 3 Nov

Teachers Only Day Mon 28 Nov

School Athletics Day

Tue 6 Dec

Year 6 Graduation Wed 14 Dec

End of Term 4 Thu 15 Dec, 12.30pm



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From the Principals Desk...

Kia ora koutou. It is really hard to believe that we have 9 weeks left in the 2022 school year. Term 4 is always a busy and action packed term with lots of end of year events and celebrations. The term will fly by...

Welcome: I would like to welcome the following new students and families to SJB this week.

Room Harakeke - Antonio Sangueza and his parents Lorainne and Nolan, Violet Moratti joins her big brother Enzo at school, Deacon Harrison and his parents Anna and Paul, Manna Manuval and her parents Bettssy and Manuval.

It was great to officially welcome Miss Tracy Turner to St John Bosco School on Monday. Tracy will be teaching in Room Kawakawa. Tracy has had a great start and is setting in really well. Pop in and say hi to Tracy.

We had exciting news towards the end of term break. Natalie's son Colton Samuel Peter Leggett arrived into our world. They are both home now and doing well. We can't wait to meet Colton and look forward to watching him grow into a fine young person.

We have begun our planning of classes for 2023. Many of you will be aware that due to the size of our school and the nature of different sized year cohorts of children, each year's class set up is slightly different. At this stage if you have any information that you would like us to consider in relation to your child's placement for 2023 please pop into school to see me or send me an email.

We have a Teachers only day scheduled for Monday November 28th. School will be closed on this day. I do believe that the Kelly Club may be open to provide care for students. More details will follow about this.

Term 4 is always a busy sports term with lots of our children playing touch rugby, cricket, summer netball and hockey. Thank you to the many parents who have offered to coach and manage our school teams. We appreciate your support and in doing so providing many children a great opportunity.

Our last day for Term 4 will be Thursday 15th December. School will close at 12:30pm. Our Year 6 Graduation has been scheduled for Wednesday 14th December and will be held in Our Lady Help of Christians Church. More details will follow.

This term we also have Taranaki Cricket working with our Year 1-3 children providing a programme called Cricket Smash. We also have NPDC providing their Let's Go Scooter Skills Year (1-4) and Bike skills (Year 5-6) programmes. Notes in relation to the bike and scooter prgrammes will come home soon.

On Thursday 3rd November we will be holding our Taranaki Catholic Schools Athletics day. This will be held at the TET Stadium in Inglewood. Children travel by bus to this event and it includes Year 1-6 children. Once we receive details about the programme we will share more specific times.

Following on from the Taranaki Athletics day we will be holding our very own SJB Athletics day. This has been scheduled for Tuesday 6th December and will be held on our school grounds. A great day for mums and dads and grandparents to come along and see kids in action. Time frames will be shared soon.

This week we have focused on an aspect of the health curriculum with our students. The senior school has been looking more specifically at cyber safety. This would be a great time as a family to discuss safe online behaviour, what to do if online behaviour is inappropriate, who they are connecting with online i.e is their connection public allowing anyone to access their chats or g a m e s a n d a r e y o u comfortable with that. Also do check in on your child's browsing history. Our children are great kids but monitoring is a key to keeping them safe.

Our Year 6 children are off to camp at Vertical Horizons in Week 4. This is always a highlight of their time at SJB. It always amazes me just how long they are able to stay in the Mountain chilled lake.

Next week our Year 5 / 6 girls take part in our pubertal talk. All parents will have received a notification and invitation to attend via HERO. Our boys will also work through a hygiene session (Timely as we head to camp!).

Fish n chip Friday 28 October: The Community Group is bringing Snappers to school for lunch. Each child will have an option of either fish bites, corn nuggets, chicken nuggets or mini hotdogs with chips and sauce. On this occasion the Community Group will cover costs so every student receives their choice of lunch but if you would like to give a koha please send to school by Thursday 27 October. In the future if families enjoy this offering, Snappers lunches will be run once a term for those that would like them at a cost of \$6.00 per lunch (This will run in conjunction with Pita Pit on those occasions and be ordered from the office - further details to follow).

Second Hand Uniform Sale: Our next uniform sale will be on Tuesday 1 November after school in the junior breakout space. If you have any new logo uniforms you would like to donate to the sale please drop off to the school office. Thank

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION OCTOBER 2022: A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



Dear God.

Thank You for the gift of education. Help us to adapt to a new new term as we journey to Christmas, may Your joy be our strength! We pray to begin each day with positivity knowing that whatever comes their way, we do not have to face it alone. Amen.

World Mission Sunday. This Sunday

"You shall be my witnesses".

Every parish, school and community is invited to join this special event, and your prayers and every dollar you give to Missio helps missionaries everywhere continue their work.

There will be a special collection at this Sunday Mass or you can donate online: https://missio.nz/donate



October is the month of the Rosary. What is the Rosary?

The word *rosary* comes from Latin and means a garland of roses. The rose is a flower used to symbolise Mary the mother of Jesus.

The rosary is a meditative repetitive prayer in honour of Mary. It consists of a set number of specific prayers. There are the introductory prayers: one Apostles' Creed, one Our Father or the Lord's Prayer, three Hail Mary's, one Glory Be. At the centre of the devotion, is the Hail Mary. It is repeated 150 times during the prayer.

Rosary beads are used as counters to help maintain the rhythm as the prayers are prayed in sequence. We have been learning more about the Rosary this week and we will be praying the Rosary in our classrooms everyday until the end of October. We are focussing on the Luminous and the Sorrowful Mysteries this year.

Message from the Parish. Older Children's Baptism Programme - 2022

Kia ora, Early in term four we will begin preparations for Baptism for children who are over seven years of age. The programme will consist of an information session for parents, where we will go over what the programme entails and the expectations and commitment required from families.

The date for this information session will be:

Sunday 6th November 4pm in St Joseph's Church Hall.

Children are welcome to come along to Shine, our junior youth group, which runs at this time.

If, after this first session, you decide that your family is ready to commit to this programme the next three sessions are as follows:

Sunday 13th November 4pm

Sunday 20th November 4pm

Sunday 27th November 4pm

These sessions are for parents and children. After these sessions we will then all go as a whole group to 5.30pm Mass at St Joseph's Church.

Then the celebration - where all of the children will celebrate their Baptism will be held on: Sunday 4th December.

Please get in touch via email to register your interest in attending the information session on 6th November. Please get in touch if you have any further questions.

Nga Mihi, Karen Maclean - Young Families Minister Catholic Parish of New Plymouth

Link to NP Parish Newsletter

Our School Core Values



Love Resilience Co-operation Service

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Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and encourage you to attend these Masses where possible. It has been really lovely to see more whanau supporting their tamariki and coming along to class mass lately. Thank you

Week 2	Wednesday 26th October	Horoeka & Nikau
Week 3	Wednesday 2nd November	Karaka & Rimu
Week 4	Wednesday 9th November	Pohutukawa & Kowhai
Week 5	Wednesday 16th November	Kawakawa, Koromiko, Puriri & Harakeke
Week 6	Wednesday 23rd November	Totara & Kauri
Week 7	Wednesday 30th November	Horoeka & Nikau
	SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER	SCHOOL MASS
Week 8	Wednesday 7th December	Karaka & Rimu
Week 9	Wednesday 14th December	Pohutukawa & Kowhai







Brain Play teaches online after-school science & technology classes to Kiwi kids aged 5 - 13, from right across the country! Online topics this term include 3D printing, coding, animation, STEM experiments, LEGO & more. Free trials available for new students. Check out our timetable on our website and use the form to get in touch - https://www.brainplay.co.nz/.

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