

# St John Bosco School

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## TERM DATES

### Term 1 2023

Tue 31 Jan - Thu 6 Apr

### Term 2

Mon 24 Apr - Fri 30 Jun

### Term 3

Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sep

### Term 4

Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

## EVENTS

### Year 6 Graduation

Wed 14 Dec

### End of Term 4

Thu 15 Dec, 12.30pm

### First Day of Term 1 2023

Tue 31 Jan



## From the Principals Desk...

Our last day of 2022 will be Thursday 15th December. School will close at 12.30pm.

Our Year 6 graduation will take place on Wednesday 14th December at 6:00pm. It will once again be held in Our Lady Help of Christians Church. Year 6 children will begin to share more specific information with their families in the coming week. This will be a special celebration for our Year 6 children and families.

## POOL KEY REMINDER

The Board have agreed to allow our Community Group to provide access to the school pool over the Christmas break. We will once again be selling keys for **\$65** (\$15 bond) to St John Bosco School families only. Each family will also be asked to sign a pool use contract on pick up of their key with Andrea at the school office.

**Please pay \$65 online into the following bank account with your name or child's name and 'pool key' in the reference so we can tick off who has paid.**

**The SJB Community account number is:  
15-3944-0007510-00**

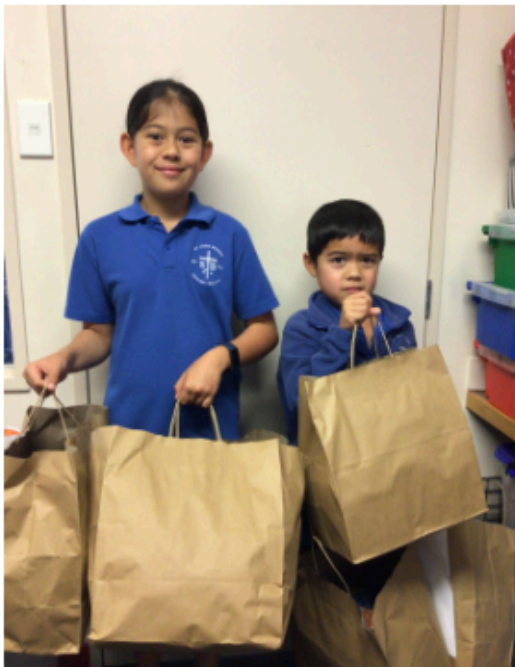
Payments need to be made before the pool keys are handed out. **Pool keys will be available for pick up from the school office either Monday 12, Tuesday 13 or Wednesday 14 December.**

Thank you to all of the community who nominated our school to donate their New World Little Garden seeds to us!

Dear New World New Plymouth,

Thank you for your kind donation of all the Little Garden seeds. We really appreciate it. The garden at St John Bosco will be filled with vegetables and herbs. We will even be able to give vegetables to families in the community. Some of the students here including me love to garden so we can tend to the garden during lunch time if we choose to. We will plant some this year and save some for our winter garden next year. Thanks again for your support and for your kind donation

Kind regards  
Lucy Elliott  
Year 6 Environmental Leader  
St John Bosco School



### Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT SJB

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION DECEMBER 2022: Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organisations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

#### **Advent prayer for your home**

Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.



#### **3rd Week of Advent - JOY**

Otherwise known as the Shepherd Candle, this candle reflects the joy that comes through Jesus' arrival, and through the salvation he has gifted us.

*"See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. Isaiah 65:17-18 (NIV)*

#### **4th Week of Advent - LOVE**

Christmas is nearly here. When Jesus was born the shepherds received light from him. They were transformed into shining witnesses of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. Experiencing the light, joy and love that Christmas brings, let us too, be witnesses to Christ's mission to spread the word of God, peace and love in our world.



#### **Christmas prayer for your home**

Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the light, joy and love you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger at Christmas. Amen.

*May the love of Christ fill your home during the Christmas season.*

*Meri Kirihimete me ngā mihi o te tau hou (Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Everyone)*

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## Last SJB Fundraiser for 2022

*Thank you for all your support in helping us provide service to others during the year. Our last fundraiser effort is to help our local St Vincent de Paul Society.*

**St Vincent de Paul Society, St Joseph's** are organising Christmas Gift baskets for those in need in our parish. They still need donations of items for Christmas gift baskets to give to our elderly parishioners, particularly those in rest homes.

They would appreciate any suitable items, but particularly would like donations of the following items:

- sunscreen
- toiletries
- sweet treats
- nice smelling gifts



If you are able to help and provide something for the Gift baskets, please send your donations to the school office by Monday 12th December.

*Thank you*

### Messages from the New Plymouth Parish

#### **SHINE YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!**

Come along 4.00pm to 5.00pm ,  
St Joseph's Church Hall. For Years 4 to 8

#### **KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY:**

Each Sunday at OLHC Parish 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School staffroom with fun craft activities.

Please click here for a link to the NP Parish [Christmas and Advent Mass Schedule 2022](#)

[Please click here for the latest Parish Newsletter](#)



### **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

<b>Week 9</b>	Wednesday 14th December	Pohutukawa & Kowhai
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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.





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