St John Bosco School

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TERM DATES

Term 2 Wed 26 Apr - Fri 30 Jun

Term 3 Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sep

Term 4 Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

EVENTS

School Mass -Blessing For Dec Sun 11 June

Fluoro Disco Thu 15 June

BOT Meeting Tue 20 June, 6pm



From the Principals Desk...

Kia ora whanau. The sunshine last week was just what we needed. At this time of the year being outside and taking in some sunshine is just what we need

Last week we hosted 13 teachers and leaders from around our Maunga. The HERO team from Christchurch presented a variety of workshops that further upskilled our use and understanding of our Student Management System HERO.

The week prior I spent three days in Auckland in and around the Mangere area visiting schools, connecting with Principals and chatting with teachers and students. I spent my time considering how they are delivering their curriculums and also best meeting the needs of students. A common challenge they are facing is growth. Many schools I visited were preparing for rapid growth based on housing projects that would see their school roll jump from 300 to 800 over a period of 1-2 years once the project was finished. I have to say that I still strongly feel that our curriculum is leading.

Teacher and Principal Collective Agreement Negotiations: Teachers and Principals are still working through and waiting for our next Collective Agreement offer from the Ministry. Early last week all strike and work to rule actions were postponed as the Ministry is committed to providing an updated offer. At this stage Teachers will receive an offer tomorrow. There are Paid Union Meetings for teachers to attend being held

on Wednesday 31st May between 1:00-3:00pm. School will remain open, but instruction will look different for our children as we will group classes together to allow teachers to attend any meetings on offer. If you would like to collect your child earlier on Wednesday (1:00pm) that would be fine. If this offer is not accepted the next act will be further strike action. This has been set as Thursday 15th June. I apologise for any late communication, sometimes the information does not come to us in a timely manner and we also hear it first through the media.

School Mass: Our next School Mass will be held on Sunday 11th June. This will be my last school mass at St John Bosco and I'd love to see you. There will be more details coming out about this soon but it sounds like there may be a few little fun things for the children and families.I'll miss these celebrations, school mass was a highlight of the term for me personally. Coming together as one is what we are all about. I'll apologise in advance for my emotions, I'm going to try and hold it together!

Last week Cat Allen and our Junior School Team were asked to share their journey in relation to the new Religious Education Curriculum with all schools in the Palmerston North Diocese. As you can only imagine, Cat presented an outstanding picture of our journey implementing the new curriculum and the key factors that have been considered to date on our journey. I can't wait to see this fully

implemented across our school.

Year 5 / 6 Interschool Update: We have completed two of our 5 interschool fixtures to date. We had two great exchanges against Merrilands and also Mangorei Schools. Our children have been amazing ambassadors for our community and have really enjoyed playing their games. Thank you to our parents who have been coaching our teams and also providing transport. We 100% appreciate and love your support. Our next two games are as follows.

13th June Vs Waitara East - away

21st June Vs Inglewood - home Vs Waitara Central - to be confirmed.

Rippa Rugby: We have also entered 4 teams in the Taranaki Rugby Rippa Rugby Tournament being held on Wednesday 7th June. If your child has expressed an interest in being a part of this you should have received a HERO notification today.

I haven't told you for a little while how proud I am of our St John Bosco tamariki. Each day they blow me away with their learning and thoughtfulness. They make my job so enjoyable and are the reason I still feel (not look) like I'm 25...

Ngā Mihi. Enjoy the long weekend. Dee Luckin.

COMMUNITY GROUP NEWS



The Community Group is holding a FLUORO DISCO on Thursday 15 June in the Senior Block

Years 1-3: 5:30pm - 6:30pm **Years 4-6:** 6:45pm - 7:45pm

Come along and have some fun.

Pizza (order forms to be sent out week prior) Glow sticks, lollies and drinks will be available Term 2 Week 6 Page 2



LOVE



My Command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

John 15:12

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for May 2023 For church movements and groups:

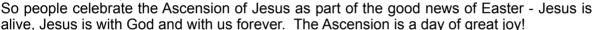
We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

The Easter Season is coming to an end....



The Church is still Celebrating the Easter Season as we journey toward Pentecost. The Easter Season began on the evening of Easter Sunday and continues for fifty days, ending on the evening of Pentecost Sunday. The fifty days between Easter Sunday and Pentecost are a time of thanksgiving and joy for what Christ has done for humanity.

Last Sunday... The Ascension of Jesus.... Ascension Day is celebrated on the 7th Sunday of Easter. On that day people remember how Jesus returned to his father in heaven. The story of Jesus' return to his Father is told in the book of the Acts of the Apostles written by St Luke. St Luke says that as Jesus was lifted up, a cloud hid him from sight. Writers of the Bible sometimes used the idea of a cloud to show that God was present. In his story of the Ascension. St Luke wanted to show that Jesus was going from this world into the presence of God his Father.





This Sunday.... Pentecost... The Birthday of the Church

The week after the Ascension the coming of the Holy Spirit is celebrated on Pentecost Sunday. Before he returned to his Father in Heaven, while visiting with his disciples, the risen Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to help them. We read in Scripture that one morning, when the disciples were gathered together with Mary, the mother of Jesus, and some other women, they suddenly heard a noise like a strong wind. Then they saw what looked to be flames of fire over each of them. "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit filled the disciples with courage and faith, empowering them to share the Good News with others. They began to tell others about Jesus, and that he died for us and rose to new life. On this day the gift of the Spirit allowed the disciples to communicate even with those who spoke different languages.

We often call this the birthday of the Church because this was when the Holy Spirit was sent to reassure and encourage Jesus' people to not be afraid to carry on and share his good news!

The Holy Spirit continues to be with us always!

Acts 2: 1-12 or 1-4

Read the bible passage here



Come Holy Spirit

Fill the hearts of your faithful

And enkindle in us the fire of your love.

Our School Core Values



Love Resilience Co-operation Service

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24th May Our Lady Help of Christians Feast Day



Mary Help of Christians is one of the numerous names by which Mary is known. It refers specifically to the aid that Mary gives as intercession, meaning one who prays with and for us to God.

It was really lovely for us to come together as a school with the parish for Mass and morning tea on Our Lady Help of Christians Feast day to celebrate and honour Mary the mother of our Lord. The Mary who helps all Christians - we only need to ask her and she will ask God on our behalf.



First Reconciliation

We have 28 students from our school who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation later this term. Please pray for them and their families as they prepare to make this next step in their Faith Journey.



You are invited to... Mr Luckin's Community Farewell & School Led Mass for Term 2

Please join us for Mass, A time to come together and wish Mr Luckin well on his next adventure.

Sunday 11th June

Where: Our Lady Help of Christians

Time: 10,30 am

Please bring a plate for a shared morning tea

Sausage sizzle will be provided **Following Mass**

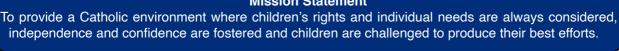


Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and strongly encourage whanau to attend these Masses where possible.

Week 6	Wednesday 31st May	Nga Kakano
Week 7	Wednesday 7th June Sunday 11th June	Rimu / Karaka School Led Mass and Community Farewell for Mr Luckin 10:30am
Week 8	Wednesday 14th June	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 9	Wednesday 21st June	Horoeka / Nikau
Week 10	Wednesday 28th June	Nga Kakano

Mission Statement





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Messages from the Parish



Please click here for the latest Parish Newsletter

Messages from the Palmerston North Diocese

NZ Catholic Medical Association Retreat & Seminar

The NZ Catholic Medical Association provides pastoral care and chaplaincy for people involved in health care. We extend an invitation to doctors, nurses, midwives, carers, pharmacists, physiotherapists, psychologists, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, dentists, health administrators, lawyers, and anyone in allied roles. Next event: Retreat and Seminar 9-10 June 2023, based at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington. Register for this event at www.newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz

For general inquiries and updates for future events, email: newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com (NZCMA formation committee).

RESOURCES

21-28 May - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2023/04/prayer-for-christian-unity/21-28 May - Laudato si' week: https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2023/05/hope-for-the-earth-hope-for-humanity-laudato-si-week/

28 May - Pentecost Sunday: https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2023/05/pentecost-2023/

Finally, as our diocese is dedicated to the Holy Spirit, this weekend's celebration of Pentecost carries added significance. The link below draws your attention to the **Prayer of Consecration** that was adapted in 2020 from the prayer used in 1993. This prayer is a wonderful way for people across the diocese to unite in prayer at this special moment in the church year.

https://tumanako.pndiocese.org.nz/2020/07/diocesan-prayer-of-consecration-to-the-holy-spirit/



Our Kelly Club after school care and holiday programme is proud to provide a safe and fun environment for your little ones.



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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