

# St John Bosco School

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Principal: Mr Dee Luckin



## 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

**Fish and Chip Lunch**  
Fri 30 June

**End of Term 2**  
Fri 30 June

**Start of Term 3**  
Mon 17 Jul



## From the Principals Desk...

Kia ora whanau.

It is with pleasure that we welcome the following new students and families to SJB School and our school community:

*Koromiko:* Emmerson Ormond joins her big sister Miller at school, Elsie Rapley and her parents Unre and Brad, Joey Bridgeman and her parents Jenna and Michael, Micah Jenkins and his parents Christina and Nicolas and Scarlett Cotter joins her big brother Mitchell at school  
*Pohutukawa:* Millie Bridgeman  
*Rimu:* Georgia Bridgeman

27 years ago I began my teaching career right here at St John Bosco. 22 Years old. I thought I knew everything but would soon learn I knew very little. 3 years later it was time for me to leave, to grow and experience another model of education. On leaving I stated that I'd be back one day to be the Principal. Here I am today having been Principal for 10 years and in the exact same predicament. It's time to leave so I can continue to grow.

I have been so incredibly lucky to work in my role as your leader under the guidance of 4 incredibly professional and driven Boards of Trustees. Each has empowered and backed me to create this amazing faith community focused on Catholic Education embraced in love, service and excellence. Every Board has been proud of what they have achieved. It's actually hard to believe what we have achieved, looking back on how we looked when I first arrived till now is amazing progress. I want to thank the many people who have served with me on the board to get the best possible faith filled education we could for our children.

Our Community Group is a similar story. It takes a village to raise a child and this is where our community group have worked so hard behind the scenes also - creating cool experiences, raising money, cooking sausages, vacuuming after community events, all allowing our children to have the resource we couldn't get

from the very minimal ministry funding we receive. Our community group is an amazing and essential part of our community. I encourage you to join or continue to support these people. Thank you to the many families involved in our community group especially for helping me.

Mums and dads, nana's and grandad's your children and grandchildren are amazing. They have inspired me to reach for greatness, to be brave and not be afraid. I want to thank you all for your unconditional support. There have been many many hands and many many occasions where your support, kind words, helping hands, cars, spare \$5, baking, hours of coaching and supporting school teams and events, ensured that we strove to get and provide the best we could for our children. I have loved sharing many laughs, some tears, hardships and great times with you all. Leaving this community and you will be the hardest part of my teaching career.

The Our Lady help of Christians Parish who have believed in me to guide their school and grow their community and the future of our church. I'd like to thank you for walking with me, just like Jesus did in his life, guiding, prompting, supporting, educating and helping me see the greatness of our faith and this beautiful parish. This isn't goodbye, I still intend to be an active part of this parish and continue to serve the Fitzroy community. But thank you for caring and praying for me. I will say today that our church is in great spirit. If you were to join in our religious education classes, our prayer, our days of service you would walk away head high and feeling inspired by the next generation sitting right here at St John Bosco School. Our school is alive and vibrant and a place where Jesus Christ is encountered and lived everyday.

I have only been able to achieve my dream in education due to the amazing staff that I

have worked with. They are a committed crew who are continuously striving to be better or make this place a better environment to learn. I will always have fond memories of what we as a team have achieved. To be recognised nationally by many other schools and agencies is one of the greatest achievements of my life. We have had many great times but we have also been incredibly strong during some of the toughest times (covid). I think you are all amazing and each and everyone of you brings something unique and special to our school and our children. I'll miss you all incredibly but I feel okay knowing that I am only 1 minute away and Friday morning tea is always worth a visit... I'm also slightly relieved that there'll be no more round the mountain running and walking events as a staff my body just can't cope anymore.

The hardest goodbye will be Friday to my children. How am I going to get through the day without 100 hugs and a 1000 smiles? I have loved every minute of my time being your Principal. I have so many highlights of my time here with you, but will always remember that it was so easy to get up and go to work each day as I knew you'd be great for me, help me, support me and learn for me. Many educators potentially dreaded school starting, I loved it as your energy and enthusiasm rubbed off on me and filled my bucket every day. I'm looking forward to coming back to see your production this year. I'll also be back and forth between schools so it's not farewell it's more, I'll see you soon...

To everyone. I've loved being your principal. I've learnt so much, had fun and grown as a person. I just can't thank you enough. I feel incredibly comfortable handing your children over to Cat Allen as acting principal. I know under her guidance alongside our staff and this community our school will continue to flourish.

God bless you all.



# LOVE



**My Command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12**

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for June 2023 **For the abolition of torture**

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

**Celebrating Mr Luckin.....**

On Sunday 11th June we celebrated and blessed Mr Luckin at our school-led Mass as he prepares to leave our kura. Thank you to everyone who came to support and bless Dee. It was a lovely mass and an enjoyable time together with our parish and school community. God graced us with beautiful sunshine so we could share morning tea outside. Special thank you to Sarah and Roly Devine for coordinating the hospitality after mass. Thank you to our school families for your generous donations to the local food bank and for providing morning tea. Thank you also to our school Community Group who provided and cooked the yummy sausages, the Baker family for providing free ice creams for everyone and the Children's Liturgy group for setting up, serving and cleaning up afterwards. Elmo and a Minion also made guest appearances, which the children loved. It was a lovely day of worship, gratitude and community.



Mr Luckin and Mrs Mehana were away at the Palmerston North Diocese Principal and DRS conference last week, where Mr Luckin was also celebrated and thanked for his many years of service to Catholic Education by the Diocese and the New Zealand Catholic Principals Association.



## Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

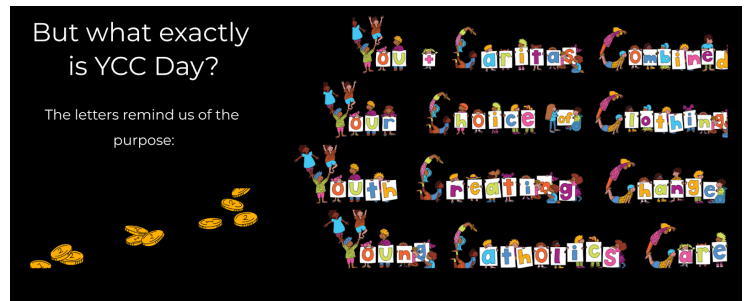
Service



**SAVE THE DATES.....****YCC MUFTI DAY - WEDNESDAY 19 JULY**

YCC Day is the day when Caritas combines with Catholic schools across New Zealand as together we stand in solidarity for a good cause and raise funds and awareness for a selected focus school.

***Please wear muffi and bring a gold coin***



For YCC Day in 2023, we are supporting **Oecusse School in Timor Leste.**

**The school is in dire need of support to repair and replace all broken and unsanitary toilet bowls, repair handwashing stations in the toilet facilities, and to fix water pipes for transporting water to different areas in the school.**

**GRANDPARENTS DAY - 26 JULY**

On Wednesday 26th July, the Feast day of St Joachim and St Anne (Jesus' Grandparents) we will be attending Mass as a school. Please extend an invitation to grandparents, and other special adults to come to this special mass.

Following Mass visitors may like to stay and have morning tea with their grandchildren, and spend some time with them during our morning tea time.



Let us pray .....

**First Reconciliation**

We have 29 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.

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**Messages from the Parish**

**Youth Corner**

**SHINE**  
**JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP**  
 (Year 4 - 8)  
 from 4pm to 5pm  
 at St. Joseph's Hall

**YOUTH GROUP**  
 (Year 9 - 13)  
 from 6.30pm to 8.30pm  
 at St. Joseph's Hall

Follow us on [illumin8youthnp](https://www.instagram.com/illumin8youthnp)

**Mark your calendar**  
 Youth Groups in June and July

- 25 June
- 23 July
- 30 July

**No Youth Group during**  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAY**

- 2 July
- 9 July
- 16 July

**NEXT YOUTH MASSES**  
 Sunday, 25 June and  
 Junior Mass 30 July 2023  
 at 5.30pm  
 St. Joseph's Church

**ANOINTING MASS:** The monthly Mass of Anointing will be held at 11.00am next Saturday 1 July at St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome.

**MASS AT BELL BLOCK:** We celebrate Mass at the Bell Block Catholic Centre Parklands Ave Bell Block first Sunday of the month 10.30am. The next Mass will be Sunday 2 July.

**PARISH SHOP:** New stock has just arrived! Beautiful Rosaries and Chaplets in a rainbow of colours. Also St Christopher pendants and Crucifix necklaces available. Come on in to the Parish Office and find that special gift for Baptism, First Holy Communion, or for yourself. We have eftpos.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY: COVID** is still rampant. Do continue to take measures to prevent the spread of this disease, especially when gathering in group settings. If you are feeling unwell, please stay at home and take care. 9.00am Mass at St Joseph's is still live streamed.

**LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS:** 9.00am Sunday Mass at St Joseph's Church is live-streamed from the Catholic Parish of New Plymouth YouTube Channel. If you are at this Mass, please be aware that you may be captured in the livestream. The recording will be deleted from our YouTube Channel after a week.

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

**Messages from the Palmerston North Diocese**

**National Volunteer Week** Te Wiki Tūao ā-Motu – National Volunteer Week honours the collective energies and mana of volunteers in Aotearoa. Within our parish we have many people who give up their time to provide ministries in the parish and do volunteer work in the wider community.

Thank you for all your service! <https://nationalvolunteerweek.nz/>

Lord, We thank You for the volunteers who selflessly serve, shining Your light through acts of love and care. Amen.



**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.

<b>Week 10</b>	Wednesday 28th June	Nga Kakano
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**General Information:** We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, games, and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**Who can attend:** Children aged 5-13 yrs

**What do you need to bring:** Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food.

**Food:** Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12:30pm to 1:00pm each day.

**Programme activities:** Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

**Payment details:** Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

**Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy:** Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit [www.workandincome.govt.nz](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz).

**Please note:** Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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# JULY 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ST JOHN BOSCO SCHOOL

WEEK 1	<p>Mon 3 July</p> <p><b>ARCTIC EXPLORERS</b></p> <p>Join us for a daring Arctic adventure where we will find shelter from the biting cold and embark on a trek to reach the North Pole.</p>	<p>Tues 4 July</p> <p><b>TOPSY TURVY TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Everything is inside out, upside down, back to front and topsy turvy this Tuesday! Embrace the silliness with our back to front and upside down fun!</p>	<p>Wed 5 July</p> <p><b>EVENT DAY</b></p> <p>Join us for an awesome trip day to Kidz Corner Ninja Playground! Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and socks. \$20 extra for the day.</p>	<p>Thurs 6 July</p> <p><b>LET'S MAKE BELIEVE</b></p> <p>Unicorns, dragons, elves, or fairies, what does your imagination see? Together we will dive into the world of make-believe.</p>	<p>Fri 7 July</p> <p><b>CHOCOLATE DAY</b></p> <p>It's World Chocolate Day! A day to celebrate the world's most loved treat! Where does chocolate come from? Come along chocoholics to find out.</p>				
	WEEK 2	<p>Mon 10 July</p> <p><b>TURN IT UP!</b></p> <p>Get ready to make some music and move to the beat. Shake your tail feathers with your own instrument, then join the band for a jam session.</p>	<p>Tues 11 July</p> <p><b>MID-WINTER XMAS</b></p> <p>Let's bring some winter cheer by having a mid-winter Christmas - USA Style! Have a holly jolly time as we celebrate together!</p>	<p>Wed 12 July</p> <p><b>EVENT DAY</b></p> <p>Join us for a splashtastic day to the Indoor Pools. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, togs and towel. \$20 extra for the day.</p>	<p>Thurs 13 July</p> <p><b>MATARIKI CELEBRATION</b></p> <p>It's a time for reflection and celebration as the Māori New Year begins! We are going to share stories, make food to share and play some traditional Māori Games.</p>	<p>Fri 14 July</p> <p><b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b></p> <p>Happy Matariki!</p>			
		<p><b>FULL WEEK:</b> \$255 7:30am-5:30pm</p>		<p><b>FULL DAY:</b> \$50 7:30am-5:30pm</p>		<p><b>SCHOOL DAY:</b> \$40 8:30am-3pm</p>		<p><b>EVENT DAY:</b> Extra \$20 (Included in Full Week)</p>	



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