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TERM DATES

Term 3
Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sep

Term 4
Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

Term 1 2024
TBC - Fri 12 Apr

EVENTS

School Cross Country
Tue 29 August

BOT Meeting
Tue 12 September, 6pm

School Production
Tue 19 & Wed 20 Sept

Teacher Only Day
Fri 17 November



Tēna Koutou Katoa,
It was a pleasure to welcome our two new tamariki to Hato Hoani Paukau last week.

Harakeke - Lainie Johnson joins her big brother Jeremy at school and Ida Adams and her parents Stacey and Mike join our SJB school community.

Term 3 School Lead Mass: Thank you for attending our school lead Mass on Sunday. It was a beautiful occasion. Congratulations to Maddison and Jesse Theys, who were baptised and to Catherine McVey, who was welcomed to the church. I would like to thank Fr Vui for the farewell blessing Mr Matt Moorby received. We thank Matt for his 15 years of service to Catholic Education (10 years at St John Bosco School), we will spend more time farewelling Mr Moorby later in the term. Thank you for your generous donations to the Foodbank.



From the Principals Desk...

Teacher Only Day: We have set a TOD for term 4 - Friday, 17th November. This day will focus on curriculum implementation and will be a day of professional Development for all staff. Staff will spend time unpacking the revised curriculum and looking at what this looks like for us at SJB. This is a really exciting time in Education, and I feel that we are in an awesome position as we are well on our way to implementing this new curriculum. Schools will have until the beginning of 2027 to start using the fully refreshed curriculum. The final draft of Te Mātaiaho (Curriculum Refresh) will be released during Term 3.

Interschool Netball CHAMPIONS 2023: Thanks to Gina Briggs who has coached and supported the girls through the tournament.



SJB Sport in Term 4: Please return all SJB sports uniforms to Trish Welsh ASAP. Please see Hero and Seesaw for the latest on Sport! All sports notices and registration links are sent through **HERO and Seesaw**. Registrations are now open for sports and **will close Friday 1st September.**

Production: Production is just around the corner. The children have been rehearsing and learning lines. We are getting excited, and the buzz around school is building. It's going to be awesome!

Our performances are scheduled for Tuesday 19th September at 6:00pm and Wednesday 20th September at 12.30pm and 6:00pm. We are at this stage predicting the show will run for just over 1 hour. We are expecting all children to be available for both

shows. We are aware that some families will be away on these dates - thank you for letting us know.

Most costumes and makeup have been organised at school. If children require any further bits and pieces, class teachers will have sent notes home.

If you are able to help with makeup, changing etc. Please let your child's teacher know.

Cover Me in Sunshine SJB Production 2023 Sponsored by the SJB Community Group

Tickets go on Sale **NEXT MONDAY**, 28th August. Purchase from Andrea in the School Office.

Tickets are \$10.00

Children under 5 are free if they sit on an adult's knee - let Andrea know when purchasing tickets, as numbers are limited
Tickets are GA (no allocated seating)

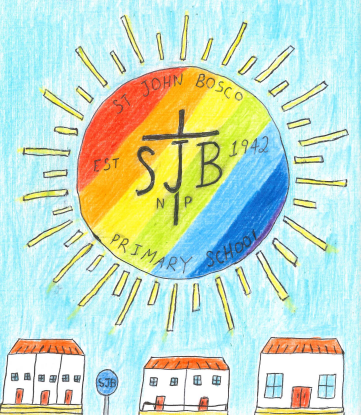
Performance Dates and Times:

Tuesday 19th September-6pm

Wednesday 20th September - 12.30pm Matinee and 6.00pm

Venue: TSB Showplace, Devon Street West

COVER ME IN SUNSHINE



SJB CROSS COUNTRY - Tuesday 29th August 2023

Like all other years, our main focus is 100% participation. Our focus is to see every child cross the line with a great big smile saying "I did the cross country in 2023!"

Children will be permitted to wear their house colours as this makes allocating house points for participation much easier. Rewarewa (green), Darnell (red), Barbier (yellow) and Waiwhakaiho (blue). Please be mindful that it's a sporting event, so athletic/sporty/bike pant style shorts and a t-shirt are the most appropriate.

We are sure that we will have an influx of parents with us and viewing space will be at a premium. Please be aware of where you stand to spectate as the course makes full use of the school grounds. Standing on the senior and junior playgrounds is often the best viewing position.

We will also be asking that the children stay in class with their teachers until they have run. This is so we know where they are and so they will not miss their race. Your children are more than welcome to join you after their event. The teachers may bring their classes out to watch some races. If this is the case you may join your child's group, but please don't move them to another part of the school.

The day will look like...

9:00 am Children gather on the court

9:05 am Special Character Leaders to say an Opening Prayer.

9:10am First race begins.

Please find below an indication of race times for our cross country on Tuesday. These times are rough indicators only, so races may run a little earlier or later.

First Race (Age on the day)

10 & 11 year old boys	2.5km (4 laps)	9:10am
10 & 11 year old girls	2.5km (4 laps)	9:20am
9 year old boys	1.92km (3 laps)	9:30am
9 year old girls	1.92km (3 laps)	9:40am
8 year boys	1.5km (2.5 laps)	9:50am
8 year girls	1.5km (2.5 laps)	9:57am
7 year boys	1.2km (2 laps)	10:05am
7 year girls	1.2km (2 laps)	10:12am
6 year boys	880m (2 laps)	10:20am
6 year girls	880m (2 laps)	10:25am
5 year boys	440m (1 lap)	10:30am
5 year girls	440m (1 lap)	10:35am

- At the end of each race, the top five runners will be given a number on their hand and are to go to the gazebo to record their names. Top three get a photo taken.
- The New Plymouth Cross Country is on Friday the 8th September, with the location to be confirmed.
- Teachers will, from the top five runners for the 9, 10 & 11 year races, consider who might go to these competitions. We sometimes select our top 8 year old runners to run in the 9 year old race.
- Unfortunately the Taranaki Cross Country Champs date clashes with our school production this year. There will be a case by case discussion around attending this (depending on production involvement).
- Please keep an 'eye' on the school Facebook page for communication on the day. We will try to load photos of each age group and keep you posted on results throughout the day.
- There is a postponement day, Thursday the 31st August, however this will only be used if Tuesday's weather is torrential and unsafe for the children. In the past we have still run the races on days when the forecast is for showers. Cross country is a winter sport, therefore rain is part of the experience and the children come prepared to get wet and have spare clothes.

For any specific queries please contact your child's classroom teacher.



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CO-OPERATION

For we are partners working together for God... 1 Corinthians 3:9



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for August 2023 For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

The importance of prayer.....

Jesus taught us to pray. St Luke tells us that Jesus prayed always. Jesus prayed before his choice of the 12 Apostles. He prayed in the synagogue and temple. He prayed in the desert and the garden. He prayed for long periods of time and for short moments in time. The Gospels rarely describe what his prayer was like, simply noting that he prayed often.

Make time for personal prayer. Make time to pray with your family. Take a look at the website [Pray as you go](#). You can download the app too! It's great!

The Lord's Prayer: The Apostles were so moved by the depth of Jesus' prayer life that they asked him to help them to pray: "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1). Jesus responded with what is now known as the Lord's Prayer. "The Lord's Prayer is the most perfect of prayers...In it we ask, not only for all the things we rightly desire, but also in the sequence that they should be desired." (CCC, 276). **It is at heart an individual and a community prayer (CCC, 2776) Pray it often!**

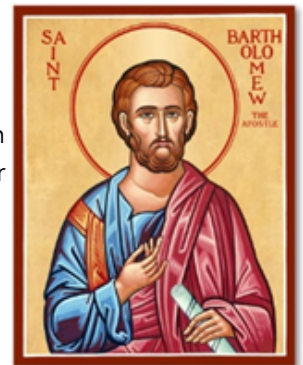


August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The feast of the Queenship of Mary was started in 1954 by Pope Pius XII, but the tradition of celebrating Mary as queen of heaven goes back much earlier. The Church leaders often referred to Mary as "lady" and "queen" as early as the fourth century. The basic concept is that if Jesus is "king," then it is fitting that Mary, his mother, would share in his reign as queen. You may know the beautiful hymn "Hail Queen of Heaven". We sing it at Mass on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary.

August 24 St Bartholomew (Apostle)

St Bartholomew was one of the twelve apostles. He taught all about Jesus in India and Western Asia in the very early years of Christianity. He was a great missionary for Jesus who travelled far and wide.



First Communion We have 28 students from our school (90 from our parish) who are now preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please pray for them and their families as they make this next step in their Faith Journey.

Reminder: Children preparing for First Communion will receive a blessing at every Sunday



Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



Messages from the Parish

OLDER CHILDRENS BAPTISM: In term four we will begin our Older Children Baptism programme. This is for children over seven years old. If you know of any families who you think may be interested in registering their children for this, please ask them to get in touch. Karen Maclean Young Family Minister - youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

MINI-VAN TO FR JOHN ADAM'S EPISCOPAL ORDINATION: The parish is looking at organising a mini-van to Fr John Adam's Episcopal Ordination - 30 September 2023 at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North. Please register your interest with the parish office or email office@catholicparishnp.nz no later than 30th August 2023.

KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Each Sunday at OLHC Parish 10.30am Mass. A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space with fun craft activities. We welcome kids from kindy age. If your child is younger than this they are welcome too but just need an adult to come with them. We look forward to seeing you all there.



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

Messages from the Palmerston North Diocese

Episcopal Ordination & Installation of Fr John Adams | 30 September 2023 at 11am | Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North

The clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Palmerston North welcome you to great joy to the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of Reverend John Lewis Adams as Bishop of the Diocese of Palmerston North. All members of our Catholic community and guests are welcome to attend this joyful occasion for our diocese. Livestream will be made available for those unable to join in person.

Feast of the Assumption | Prayer Resource <https://tumanako.pndioocese.org.nz/2023/08/feast-of-the-assumption-prayer-resource/>

The cradle of the Catholic Church in Aotearoa

This video explains the origins of the patronal feast day for New Zealand, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the significance of the song Mō Maria for local Māori and for people across Aotearoa. <https://tumanako.pndioocese.org.nz/2023/07/the-cradle-of-the-catholic-church-in-aotearoa/>

The role and symbols of a bishop

The Catholic Education Office prepared a resource for schools to use at the start of Term 2 after the announcement of Bishop-elect John Adams as Bishop of Palmerston North. The resource aimed to the role and various symbols of a bishop. <https://tumanako.pndioocese.org.nz/2023/07/the-role-and-symbols-of-a-bishop/>

Please click here for the latest [Weekly Diocesan Update](#)

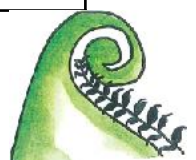
Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and strongly encourage whanau to attend class Masses where possible, to support your child in their Faith journey.

Week 6	Wednesday 23rd August	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 7	Wednesday 30th August	Nga Kakano
Week 8	Wednesday 6th September	Horoeka / Nikau
Week 9	Wednesday 13th September	Nga Kakano
Week 10	Wednesday 20th September	Pohutukawa / Kowhai

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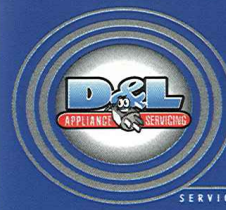
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