

TERM DATES

Term 1

Tuesday 28 January - Friday 11 April

Term 2

Monday 28 April -Friday 27 June

Term 3

Monday 14 July -Friday 19 September

Term 4

Monday 6 October - Friday 12 December

EVENTS

Wed 9 April

Second Hand Uniform Sale Wed 9 April, 2.30pm

> End of Term 1 Friday 11 April

Start of Term 2 Monday 28 April



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Tena Koutou, e hoa ma. Ngā mihi kia koutou.

Dear Parents, Caregivers and friends of the school.

I would like to welcome Eva Black to Ruma Puriri and her parents Caylee and Chris who have joined our St John Bosco School Community recently.

Nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Hato Hoani Paukau - St John Bosco School. May God bless you on your educational journey with us. We will nurture and grow your child and enable her to be the best version of herself everyday on her journey to reaching her full potential.

Parent Interview bookings are now open. These are booked through HERO. Parent Interviews are on Wednesday the 7th of May and Thursday the 8th of May (school week 2 of Term 2). Children will need to be picked up at 2pm both of these days. The Kelly Club will be open from 2pm on both of these days.

On Tuesday we had nearly 130 students attend the weetbix tryathlon. This meant we won the big prize for most participants again. It is great to have our children out and about, pushing themselves physically and trying new things. My favourite part of the day, though, was a comment from a parent about how neat it was to see parents from St John Bosco cheering on other children from our school. Knowing them by name and caring enough to yell out encouragement and praise. This made me really proud and what we are all about - the village raising our kids.

Other highlights for recent times have been our Year 6 students attending 3 days of extra water safety activities at the aquatic centre, yesterday's Caritas move-athon and the huge fundraising effort that went into that, WHAT NOW coming to school and filming a show with our Year 5 & 6 students. Billy, Tove, Addy and Max really made us proud with their quick thinking and positive attitudes.

Last Sunday was our Ambrose Golf Tournament. This is a huge day with over 120 entrants and a myriad of volunteers to run it. Last years Golf Day raised money for our playscape. This years is helping to raise money for some outdoor seating. I would like to thank Schurr and Ireland Accountants for being our major sponsor again. Check out all of our hole sponsors on Page 2 of this newsletter.

This Saturday our staff are taking part in the relay for life at TET Stadium in Inglewood so we might see some of you out there!

Ngā Mihi Aroha, Rvan Fleming





Golf Day Sponsors





























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Awards

Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who received student of the week certificates at our last school assembly:

Puriri Noah Murfitt Koromoko Leo Gilmour Kawakawa Elena Payne Nīkau Micah Jenkins Horoeka Takumi Kirkcaldie Kōwhai Jai Te Pau Konui-Whiting Pōhutukawa Jovce Ma Karaka Jeremy Johnson Rimu Moss James Tōtara Freya Connolly Kauri **Toby Hobin**

Georgia Radich Claire Martin Lucia Dawick Olivia Robinson Sean Simon Siena Dawick Eloise Clarkson Liam Dhanjee Sofia Buchboeck



Supporting our Community Group with Freezer Meals

Our community group and staff have been preparing meals for our freezer as part of our manaakitanga. These meals are shared with families during times of celebration, such as welcoming a new baby, in moments of grief, or whenever there's a need. If you're able to help by making a meal, we would greatly appreciate it! Please drop off any meals to the office.



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On Sunday the 2nd of March X-RACE was held at East end beach in New Plymouth 9 students from SJB school participated in the X-RACE. Each team ad to complete heaps of fun challenges like: Te Rakau, a really long beach run, a three legged race and heaps more fun challenges!

SJB'S own Josephine Carr got first in her age group and was awarded an X-RACE flag! Well done Josephine!

Year 6 Water Safety

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during week 7 our year 6's participated in the Coastguard Safe Boating Program. The lifeguard McKenzie showed us heaps of different ways to be safe in the water like:

- Safe boat entry's
- Safe pool entry's (going feet first)
- Learning how to jump into the pool safely
- Doing a huddle for warmth
- How to put on a life jacket
- Making human chains to stay together
- How to pull each other on to a boat safely
- Flipping the boat upside down and going underneath it in an air pocket
- Falling out of the boat.

This experience was amazing and we are all so grateful that we had this opportunity!







By Olivia Soffe Media leader

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Weet-bix kids TRY-athalon

On Tuesday the 26th of March, over half of our school participated in the Weet-bix kids TRY-athalon where we all had to swim in the freezing water at Ngamotu beach, then we were on our bikes and then we finished with a run. It was exhausting but so rewarding to complete and receive our medals at the finish line.

SJB once again won the award for having the most participants from a single school winning 15 free entries to next years event- way to go SJB! And way to go, everybody who participated! Can't wait for next year.







By Olivia Soffe Media Leader

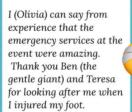
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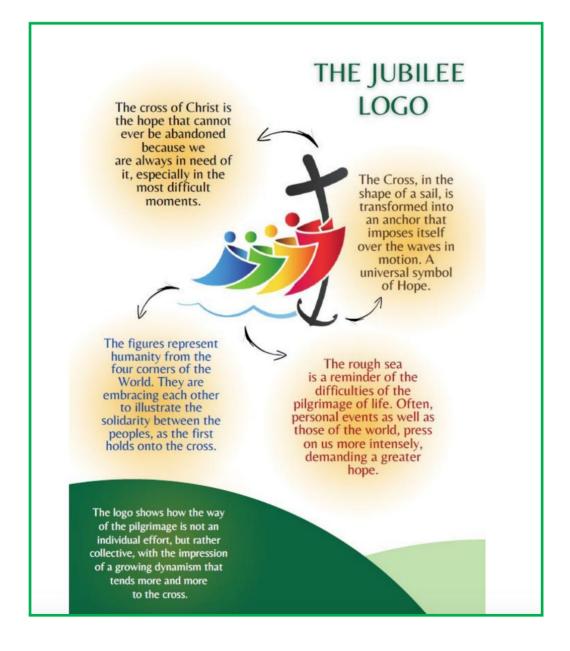


Philippians 4:13

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for APRIL 2025: For the use of new technologies:

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times

Even more about the Jubilee Year





Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

Te Karakia Tiupiri

E te Matua i te rangi,

whakaarahia anōtia i roto i a mātou te tūmanako tapu mō te taenga mai o tō Kīngitanga, mā roto mai i te *whakapono* ki tāu Tamaiti a Hēhu Karaiti, tō mātou kiritahi, tērā whakapono nāu anō i homai, anō me te kāpura o te *aroha* e whitangia nei i ō mātou ngākau e te Wairua Tapu.

Ko tō keratia hei mea hangahou i a mātou hei kaiwhakatō i ngā kākano o te Rongopai. Ko ērā kākano anō ka tupu ki roto tahi i te hunga tangata me te taiao hei hangahou i te rangi me te whenua i runga i te tūmanako kia kauparehia te Īweri, ko tō korōria tērā ka tiaho mai mō āke tonu atu.

Kia oho anō te keratia o te Tiuparī ki roto i a mātou, arā ngā *Manene o te Tūmanako* e manako nei ki ngā homaitanga o te rangi.

Ko tērā keratia anō kia hora anō i te koa me te mārie o tō mātou Kaiwhakaea ki runga i te mata o te whenua.

Māu e te Atua, te korōria me ngā kupu whakapai katoa mō āke tonu atu. Āmene.







The Jubilee Hymn

There is a beautiful Jubilee Hymn.

<u>Click this link to</u> listen to it

You can find more information about the Jubilee Year on our Palmerston North Diocese Website

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Caritas Lenten Challenge



RESTORING HOPE: YOUR COMPASSION IN ACTION.



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KIA PUAWAI TE TŪMANAKO

Yesterday we completed the annual CARITAS Lenten Challenge event for schools and youth groups around New Zealand. The event aims to demonstrate solidarity with those living in poverty or injustice.

Our challenge was a MOVE-A-THON: We "spent a day making a difference for a lifetime" for the people that CARITAS support.

The focus this year "Restoring Hope: Your Compassion in Action / Kia Puawai Te Tūmanako." aligns with Pope Francis's Jubilee Year theme of being "Pilgrims of Hope," inviting us to actively embody love, compassion, and hope in our daily lives.

During our MOVE-A-THON day, children had a little bit of an experience of what life is like for the children living in these countries who have to travel long distances everyday for such things as collecting water, getting to school, or like those who have to walk long distances to be safe during times of conflict.

Caritas uses the money raised to assist our Caritas Partner countries who need our assistance. Carias is actively involved in over 200 countries and territories around the world. The NZ Aid Foundation gives \$3 for every \$1 donated to this event.

Thank you so much St John Bosco School Community, for your support and generous donations. Together we have raised \$3,890.00 which will be a total of \$11,670.00 for Caritas this year. God bless you all. Special thank you to Mrs Baldwin and Ms Lynskey for organising the day.

Report from Oskar McGregor.....

On Thursday 27th March, our students participated in the Caritas Lenten Challenge. We raised money for many countries including Kiribati who are suffering from rising water levels. The bike track and field was set up with obstacles that we had to walk through. The circuit was 236 metres long. Yr 0-2 kids aimed to walk 10 laps, yr 3-4 kids aimed for 20 laps and yr 5-6 aimed for 30 laps.

In total, the whole school managed to walk 5516 laps which means we walked a total of 1301km! Well done St John Bosco School. Thank you to all our families who donated money for this cause.





HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

What is Holy Week?

Holy Week is the most important week in Catholicism. This week of great reverence and reflection spans the final eight days of Jesus' life—from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. It is astounding how much wisdom, insight and inspiration are available to us during this one week. Here is just a sample of what happens during Holy Week:

- Palm Sunday, Jesus triumphantly enters Jerusalem
- Monday of Holy Week, Jesus clears out the temple with a whip
- Tuesday of Holy Week, Jesus is anointed with oil at Bethany and preaches on the Mount of Olives
- Spy Wednesday, Jesus is betrayed by Judas
- Holy Thursday, Jesus celebrates the Last Supper, prays in the Garden of Gethsemane, and is arrested
- Good Friday, Jesus is sentenced to death, scourged, beaten, crucified, and dies on the Cross
- Holy Saturday, Jesus is buried in the tomb and descends into hell
- Easter Sunday, Jesus rises from the dead

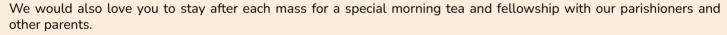
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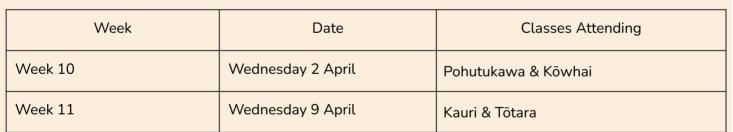
Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms.

We invite and encourage you to attend our weekday class Masses where possible.

We would love to see parents, grandparents and friends at our weekly children's mass. You do not need to be Catholic to attend.

We have a play area for preschoolers and please don't worry about them making a noise.





St John Bosco School Led Sunday Mass Dates 2025

Term 2: Sunday 8 June - Pentecost Sunday - The Birthday of the Church

Term 3: Sunday 3 August

Term 4: Sunday 23 November

We encourage all families to make the commitment to attend school Mass. It is important that we gather as a community and support our children's faith development.





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Messages from the Parish

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2025



Photo above: First Holy Communion 2024







Photo above: Baptism 2024

OLDER CHILDRENS BAPTISM - FIRST RECONCINLIATION -FIRST COMMUNION - CONFIRMATION IT'S TIME TO ENROL NOW

If your child is 7 years and older and you want them to make their First Communion, or be baptised this year, or if your child is 15 years and older and you want them to be Confirmed this year, the process is starting now. You will need to be at our parent information evening on:

Thursday 3 April 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church Hall

Our sacramental programmes of Older Children's Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation are family based, we need all involved to see firsthand the process for preparation for these sacraments, and how it works in our parish! It will be very important for a parent or care giver to be at this meeting as enrolments for First Communion and Older Children's Baptism are opened at this meeting.

OLDER CHILDRENS BAPTISM - FIRST RECONCINLIATION - FIRST COMMUNION Karen: youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz CONFIRMATION

Susilo: youth@catholicparishnp.nz

{ See page 6 of the online and emailed newsletter also}

ALPHA 2025 IS COMING:

We are starting ALPHA @6 Thursday 1 May 6.00pm in St Joseph's Church Hall. BUT before we start ALPHA we need volunteers to help run the programme. We need peo-



ple to be involved. It's not hard work and it's fun. It's with people and building relationships with people.

Could you help with the hospitality, like doing the dishes? Could you help with the childcare?

Could you help with the group discussions?

Could you help with the setting up for the night?

Could you socialise with the guests?

It's only 2 and a half hours a week for 10 weeks. The Alpha team is a friendly group who work together. We all have a meal together at 6.00pm, so why not think about coming in at 5.30pm, joining the Alpha meal at 6.00pm, and then being part of the Alpha experience from 6.30pm until the finish at 8.00pm. If interested email Karen at youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz or alphateam@catholicparishnp.nz or contact the Parish Office 06 757 3682. We need your help. We need you.

Click here for the latest Parish Newsletter

Our School Core Values Service

Messages from the Diocese

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass for the Palmerston North Diocese will be celebrated on Tuesday 15 April, 12:05pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. All welcome.

St Joseph's Hāwera | 150 Years

St Joseph's Parish & School, Hāwera, will be celebrating 150 years over Labour Weekend, 24–26 October 2025. All past and present members of the parish and school community are invited to participate in the Jubilee celebrations.

Registration Forms & Event Calendar are available at www.stjoeshawera150celebration.co.nz.

Hard copies of the registration form can be collected from the Church Foyer and the Mission Centre (School & Parish Office). For further details email: stjoephshawerajubilee@gmail.com

Upcoming Events for Jubilee Year

The following Jubilee events are coming up over the next few weeks (click the link for prayers, reflections and other resources for each weekend, or visit www.pndiocese.org.nz/YearofJubilee2025):

Click here for the latest Diocesan update





This competition is open to all students in year 5 and 6. Entries need to be in by 9 April, no late entries can be accepted. Hard copies of the entry form are also available in the office.





2025 Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions



Dear Parents and Caregivers

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These skills-based competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and closely align with the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam/.

The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can only register for the year level they are currently in. Each student can enter in one or more subject. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. The competitions are to be administered at school, under exam conditions and supervised.

All participating students will receive a certificate, and a prize will be awarded to the top student nationally in each competition. If two or more students share the same top score, then the prize is awarded to the student with the highest speed and accuracy.

NOTE: Our policy is **not** to release test papers. The tests are provided primarily as a competition and not as a teaching resource.

Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam/

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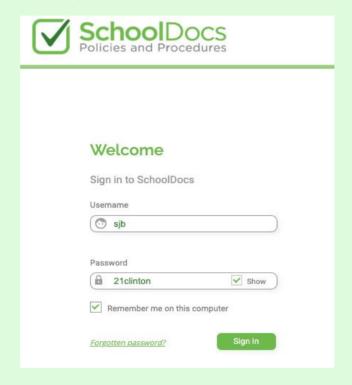


Name of Parent /Caregiver:

Get involved with School Policy Reviews

Go to sjb.schooldocs.co.nz

Enter username 'sjb' password '21clinton'



Once you're into the website click the blue register button and see what policies are under review



Current policies under review:

- Health and Safety Welfare Policy
- Safety Management System
- Risk Management
- Worker Engagement, Participation and Representation
- Healthcare
- Recording and Reporting Accidents, Injuries and Illnesses

We welcome your feedback!



Community Notices









New Zealand Traveller Declaration

Going overseas for the school holidays? Everyone travelling into New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration, including returning New Zealand passport holders.

Its FREE and you can do it on the online form or on the NZTD app.

If you're travelling as a family or group and completing multiple declarations, the NZTD app allows you to copy your travel details into another declaration, making it easier to complete multiple declarations for the same journey. The submitted declarations are then all easy to see within the app.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration collects travel, customs, immigration and biosecurity information and aims to improve the safety and security of New Zealand. It replaces the paper card you used to fill out on the plane.

To make your arrival easier, do your digital declaration before your flight back to New Zealand.

Head to <u>travellerdeclaration.govt.nz</u> today!

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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.

Kelly Club



Contact: Aimee Callaghan Phone: 021648 074 Email: sjb@kellyclub.co.nz Website: kellyclub.co.nz/sjb



KELLY CLUB {VENUE} UPDATE

What's been happening...

We have had so much fun with kids choice week! Making Pom poms! Eating fairy bread that crackled and popped and playing our new favorite game Don't get in the photo and so much more!!









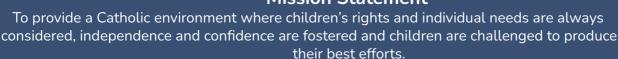


What's happening in the Holidays!





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