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Term Dates

Term 3

Monday 14 July -
Friday 19 September

Term 4

Monday 6 October -
Friday 12 December

Term 1 2026

TBC -
Thursday 2 April

Term 2 2026

Monday 20 April -
Friday 3 July



What's On

Taranaki Cross Country
Wednesday 17 September

End of Term 3
Friday 19 September

Start of Term 4
Monday 6 October

The Great SJB Quiz Night
Friday 17 October

Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 28th of October

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

Dear Parents, Caregivers and friends of the school.

I would like to start by welcoming the following new tamariki and families who have joined our St John Bosco School Community recently:

Ruma Harakeke

Roletta Faifua and her parents Alofa and Faifua

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 children and enable them to be the best version of themselves everyday on their journey to reaching their full potential.

Production:

What a triumph "The Toy Box" was for our community. Wow it's a big operation but it is worth it for the joy it brings. On the final night I made special mention of some people including our School Board and Community Fundraising Committee for their generous contribution to making a pretty flash and high tech event happen. And to Mrs Crystal Smith for her tireless and inspirational work as stage manager, singing coach and general 'glue'. And we must also acknowledge the genius of Raeleen Luckin for all her script writing, choreography, stage setting, soundwork, lyric writing and just generally elite level of experience and knowledge in the Production sphere. What a treasure.

School Board Proprietors Representatives:

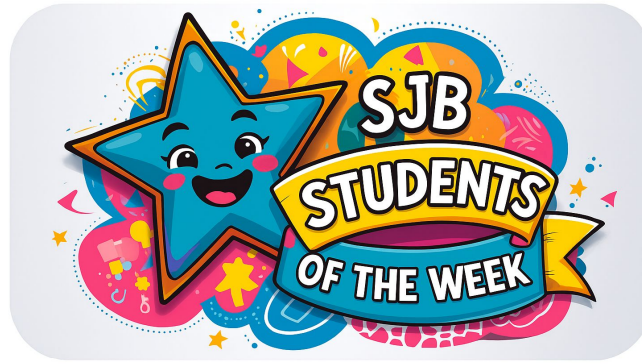
Whilst board elections are happening for our 'parent elect' component of the school board there are also some changes to the "proprietors representatives" on our school board. Ronie Asi and Hamish Gunson, after 12 and 13 years service respectively are stepping down. In 13 years schools see a lot of change in many aspects from curriculum to staffing to property and teaching pedagogy and roll increases. When they began on the board Marie Barrett was the Principal and there were 8 classrooms with just about 200 students.

Their retirement means that joining Kate Buchboek and Jessica Tuki as "proprietor appointed" board members will be Roland Devine and Russell Chamany. Both Roland and Russell are heavily involved in the New Plymouth Parish life at various levels and bring a wealth of experience to the role. Proprietors reps are regular board members who also have a specific focus on ensuring the Special Character of the school is maintained, and that other interests of the Proprietor (Palmerston North Diocese) such as property & tagged teacher requirements are adequately maintained. The 'parent elect' results will be announced later next week.

Term 4:

Check the HERO calendar for next term's event dates. Our second MOE allocated Teacher Only day is being held on Tuesday the 28th of October where our external facilitator will help our implementation of the refreshed maths curriculum. This is the day after Labour Day, placed intentionally to enable a 4 day weekend for those looking to book time away. You'll also find the regulars like athletics day, Year 6 Graduation and the every popular Junior Nativity.

Ngā Mihi Aroha - Ryan Fleming



Congratulations to the following students who received student of the week certificates at our school assembly on the 10th September

Puriri

Koromoko

Kawakawa

Nīkau

Horoeka

Kōwhai

Pōhutukawa

Karaka

Rimu

Tōtara

Kauri

Goldie McFadyen

Ella Robinson

Raphaël Paoli

Maia Cantlon

Cailee Leadbeater

Antonio Sanguenza

Atticus Clarkson

Ellie Bellringer

Henry Stephens

Harper Heal

Grace Smith

Jude Downey

Theo Diachok

Delilah Hutchinson

Luca Anamani

Joyce Ma

Hannah Sinclair

Bowen Smither



Our School Core Values



Love



Resilience



Co-operation



Service

Production Photos



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Special Character



CO-OPERATION

For we are partners working together for God..

1 Corinthians 3:9



POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION for September 2025 : Our relationship with all of creation.

Let us pray that we might experience our interdependence with all creatures, who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

🌿 This week we celebrated the blessing of our new Sacred Space. A huge thank you to everyone who made this special project possible:

- ✨ Our School Community Group for the generous funding
- ✨ Jodie Mehana for her thoughtful consultation and design
- ✨ Andrew G for the beautiful build
- ✨ OMV, Tahlia, and Frasers for their support with the extra planting

We are so grateful for the teamwork that brought this peaceful and meaningful space to life. 🙏



CLASS MASS

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. We would also love you to stay after each mass for a special morning tea and fellowship with our parishioners and other parents.

Week	Date	Classes Attending
Week 10	Wednesday 17 September	Pohutukawa & Kōwhai

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Messages from the Parish

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS

How we can (re)connect with the vibrancy of the early Church by 'being for others' and building a place of welcome and belonging in our local parish communities.

Paul Traynor, National Co-ordinator for Passionist Family Groups will be exploring this under the topics of:

- *Why does community matter? and
- *Belonging

Saturday September 13th in the St Joseph's Hall Supper room from 2.00pm until 5.00pm

Come, listen, learn and share fellowship and afternoon tea with your fellow parishioners
ALL WELCOME: This afternoon is for everyone



KINGDOM KIDZ CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Lady Help of Christians Church:
Each Sunday at OLHC 10.30am Mass.
A special Children's Liturgy in the St John Bosco School breakout space.
St Joseph's Church at 9.00am Mass in the church foyer.



LITTLE ANGELS MUSIC AND PLAY

GROUP FOR PRESCHOOLERS: Music, play and morning tea. Our Lady Help of Christians Church foyer from 9.00am. Each Monday during term time. For any enquiries, please phone the Parish Office.



WE MEET ON SUNDAY DURING THE SCHOOL TERM

SHINE Junior Youth Group | Year 4 - 8
Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Youth Group | Year 9 - 13
Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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

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Articles from our Year 6 Student Media Leader

Welcome To Our Sacred Space.

We have some exciting news, SJB has just built a brand new sacred prayer space and it's a wonderful addition to our school.

The sacred space is a place that is quiet and still for people who want to pray or just have some time to relax.

We are very grateful for all of the people who helped to bring this space to life!

Thank you Father Simon for the very special blessing!



By Olivia Soffe
Media leader



End Of Term Review

Wow nearly at the end of term 3! It's gone by in a flash we've been super busy!

This term we've had:

- Harold from Life Education visited to talk about fitness, feelings and keeping active and healthy
- School photos
- SJB Cross country and New Plymouth Cross Country
- The Toy Box (our school production)
- Green Guardians stalls, selling beautiful fresh vegetables
- Grandparents mass to honour and celebrate the special people in our lives
- The Sacred Space blessing lead by father Simon and Mr Fleming
- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is a feast to celebrate when Mary the mother of Jesus was taken up to heaven

WHEW! We're all looking forward to having a break and can't wait for the school holidays

By Media Leader
Olivia Soffe



Cross Country Senior winners



A scene from the Toybox

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Aroha



Manawaroa



Mahi Tahī

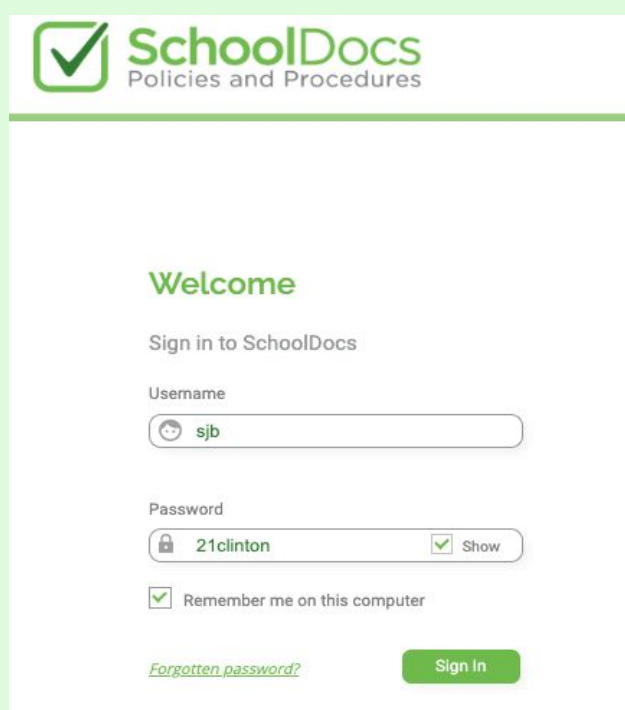


Ratonga

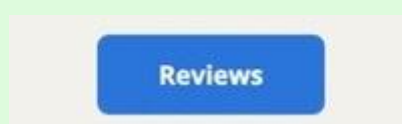
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Current policies under review:

- Child Protection
- Abuse Recognition and Reporting
- Safety Checking

We welcome your feedback!

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Aroha



Manawaroa



Mahi Tahī



Ratonga

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Mon 22 Sept – Fri 3 Oct

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Tue 30th Sep to
Thur 2nd October



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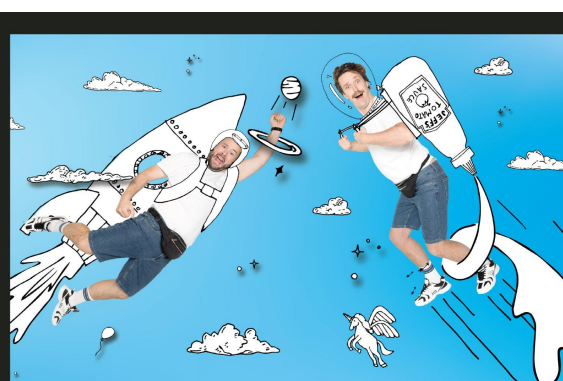
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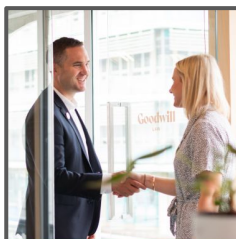
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