



St John Bosco's School NEWSLETTER



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Without confidence and love, there can be no true education. If you want to be loved, you must love yourselves, and make your children feel that you love them" St John Bosco

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents

While we seem to be back where we were this time last term, a few things have changed. The first and most important is that we know we can do it. We grew as a community by supporting each other and channelling our energies in a united direction.

It was a time where we were forced to regularly communicate with each other about our children's daily learning. It was an opportunity for parents to see at close range what type of learner their child is. It was an opportunity to enjoy family time by going for walks together, playing games together, socializing together, depending on each other, chilling together and most importantly praying together. I am sure that some of us had never walked the block as a family prior to the start of term 2. We may find that the core of our family is enhanced by the little things we did together and these changes in our lives have changed us for the better.

As a staff at the end of term 2, we sat down and documented the lessons we learnt from COVID assessing the positive changes that we would like to keep. I am sure that this reflection would benefit us all. As successful as we were, there is a danger that we go into this next stage with dread. We all faced challenges along the way and learned what didn't work for us. We need to continue with the actions that brought about success and try new strategies to improve those that challenged us.

We often speak to our children about the learning pit and what this tells us about the need to sometimes struggle prior to success. We know that some things come easy and others are more difficult. We need to spend more time looking at what we have achieved to lighten the burden we sometimes carry from our often minor failures.

Online /home learning will be reintroduced from next week. Those children who meet the government requirements will be provided with supervision at school to complete their online /home learning, the same as those children who are at home. Staff where possible will be working from home and attending school according to a COVID roster.

The situation may change depending on how successful we are with minimizing COVID numbers. We thank you in advance for your support and cooperation as we navigate this term together.

IMPORTANT DATES

2020

Mon 10 Aug	School photos (revised date TBA)
Wed 16 Sep	Parent teacher interviews- 1.30-7pm
Fri 18 Sept	Last Day Term 3, 1pm dismissal
Mon 5 Oct	First Day Term 4
Mon 5/Tues 6 Oct	Year 3 Urban Camp
Mon 19 Oct	Whole School Photo
Tues 15 Dec	Last day 2020, 12.30pm Dismissal

Please note: At the moment, we anticipate that the children in Grade 4 and Grade 6 will be celebrating the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation sometime in 2020. Dates have not been set as yet, but you will be informed as soon as these dates become available. We will endeavor to give you as much notice as possible.



Happy birthday to the following children who have birthdays this week

Elicia AL-HAKIM, Caitlyn HEALY, Jensen PANTALLERESCO, Anthony MENNITI, Ignacio 'Iggy' BARBERIA-DUPLA, Zoe VERGIS, Mia BROWN, Finn POLLARD, Sophia RAMONETTA and Eva MCMANUS



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

We're really excited to have **BOOK CLUB** running this term! But, there are a couple of things we've had to do differently! **For this issue only** it will be a **digital catalogue** rather than the printed catalogues you're used to receiving.

To find the catalogue, go to:

https://scholastic.com.au/media/5642/bc_520.pdf

Once you've made your selections, you can order through the LOOP page:

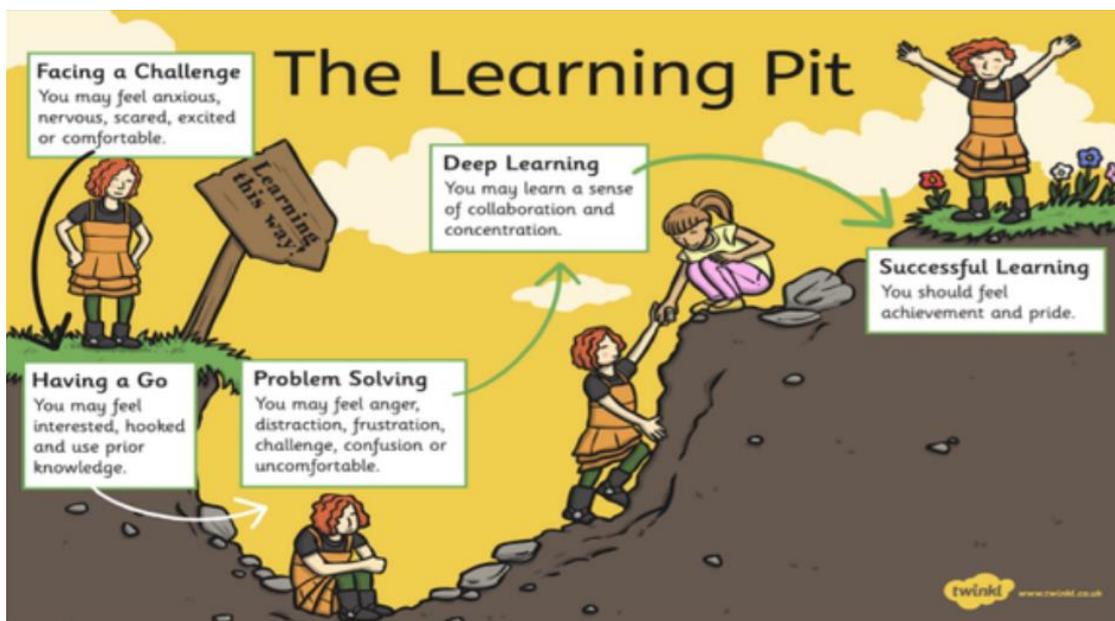
<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

You will still have access to the wide selection that Book Club has to offer.

Go to LOOP to place your order as normal by: 3/8/2020

Unfortunately, as we are unable to receive the orders back to our school, you will need to have your order delivered to your home address for a fee of \$5.99.

If you have any questions or queries, please email sjbadm@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au



PARENT SCHOOL LIAISON NEWS

Here we are again with "Round 2". What we do know, as a community, are ways that we can do things a bit better. We know what we can let go of and channel our energy and emotions into what worked well. As we are now about to start week 1 of our **Online Home Learning Program**, a disposition I would like all to follow is Problem Solving. Encourage your child to use some problem solving strategies with an issue they may have, before they call out to a parent or teacher. This will enhance independence and give a sense of accomplishment and self-efficacy, that is having the belief that they can do it.

Suggested Daily Routine for Home Learning (Start date Monday 20th July 2020)

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
8:00 - 9:00 AM	BREAKFAST	
9:00 - 9.40 AM	Academic Time	Children choose task
10:00 - 10.40 AM	Brain food Academic time	Children choose task
11:00 - 12:00 PM	Creative Time / Play Time (this time can also be accompanied with snack/brain food)	lego, drawing, block building, crafts, dancing, music, cooking or baking
12:00 - 12.30 PM	LUNCH	
12.30 - 1.20 PM	Academic Time	Children choose task
1.30 - 2.20PM	Academic Time	Children choose task
2.10 - 3.00	Free time pack up	

As you can see we have kept tasks to 40min sessions within an hour. So if it takes your child the whole hour to complete the task, that is fine. If your child has completed the task within the 40min, they have 20 or so minutes of free time. We have changed some of the timing after lunch to suit the Google Meet timetable.

Next week each grade will have a Google Meet session daily. The teacher will notify parents and students of the times and Google Meet codes.

These may look differently from grade to grade. Some teachers may want to do a whole class google meet every day, while others may want to focus on a different small group each day. Your child's teacher will let you know how the google meet will operate.

After listening to feedback from the community, we have decided the weekly year level program will be shared with parents (P-6) via Seesaw, every Friday by 5pm.

This gives you the weekend to explore all the tasks sent by the teacher, so that the children and parents are up and running by Monday.

Students will receive slides via Seesaw (P-2, Yr. 4), Google Drive (Yr. 3), Google Classroom (Yr. 5 -6)

These weekly programs will also be available on our website under the tab Learning and Teaching, Online / Home learning.

Specialist Lessons: Physical Education, Science, Italian, Performing Arts, Visual Arts

One day each week has been allocated to specialist classes to be completed by students.

On this day your classroom teacher **WILL NOT be available to respond to emails**. Your child's teacher will be planning with their teammates to create rich and engaging slides for their students. The teachers will advise you of more details regarding the allocated day for specialists.

**SPECIALIST ACTIVITIES
TO BE COMPLETED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS**
Preps, Yr 1, Yr 3 -Thursday
Yr 2, Yr 5, Yr 6 - Wednesday
Yr 4 - Tuesday (AM) Thursday (AM)

Daily Routine for Home Learning Specialist Tasks

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
8:00 - 9:00 AM	BREAKFAST	
9:00 - 9.40 AM	Specialist task	Children choose task
10:00 - 10.40 AM	<i>Brain food</i> Specialist task	Children choose task
11:00 - 12:00 PM	Specialist Task And recess	Children choose task
12:00 - 12.30 PM	LUNCH	
12.30 - 1.20 PM	Specialist Task	Children choose task
1.30 - 2.20PM	Specialist Task	Children choose task
2.10 - 3.00	Free time pack up	

As you can see the times on the allocated specialist day have changed slightly to accommodate the 5 specialist classes.

Once again we need to be flexible with our timetable and our thinking.

As you are aware, we have set up a roster for online home learning, that specifies times when academic tasks are held, BUT if that timetable does not suit your current home situation, parents having to work from home, taking care of babies or toddlers, children feeling anxious about the task, parents feeling anxious about the task and many other reasons, then be flexible. If you want to swap your time or allocate more time or less time for activities, then change it for whatever time suits your current home arrangements.

A helpful hint:

This has really helped many families and children during our last home learning experience. Sit with your child / children the night before and organise what tomorrow's learning will look like. As a family you might want to decide what tasks the children will be doing and an explanation on how to achieve their task. So hopefully in the morning the children would already know what is expected from them and hopefully give children some independence and structure.

Please make sure you have turned on notifications on the SJB school APP and Seesaw so that you don't miss out on any important reminders or messages shared throughout the week.

If you need any help, advice or any questions please contact me on mguzzardi@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au or your child's teacher or any one of us on leadership.

We are in this together, and let's continue to support each other, be patient with each other, be patient with the kids, be flexible, have time to laugh, sing and dance with your child at home and be kind.

Cheers, Marc Guzzardi

RETURN TO ONLINE HOME LEARNING TERM 3.

Please look out for a more detailed document sent on See Saw regarding the Return to Online Home Learning in Term 3. This document provides further details about returning to on line home learning if working at home or at school.



TOP SCHOOL WEAR

Top School Wear will be closing effective Monday 13 July 2020, due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

Uniform purchases will still be available by either:

Sending an email to info@topschoolwear.com.au

Telephone order – 9331 1066

Free delivery will still be offered for all purchases until the end of term 4.

We hope to reopen on Monday 10 August; however, this will depend on the situation.

Stay Safe, Top School Wear

Thanking you

Peter Monaghan
Principal

SJB BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The SJB Business Directory asks you to keep all our registered businesses in mind, particularly during this difficult time. We are here to support them and they are ready to support us.

Rothmans Coatings

Theo - 0414 013 315



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Management Group

<http://www.gmwealth.com.au/>

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<http://sndtek.com/>

TONY'S PIES



<http://www.tonyspies.com/>



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