



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

Thank you to everyone for their support of myself and staff throughout this term. At last night's staff meeting I was reflecting on this time last term when we spent the whole meeting planning for the students return to school on day 1 of term 3. We all know what followed surely that cannot happen again?

I have been in discussions with Father Nhan regarding sacraments and the need to make a decision about dates for each event. As we are still unsure when we will be able to have 50 or more people in the church, we have decided to set a date to make a decision about this. We will inform parents as to the dates for each sacrament by Friday 9th October.

Our assessment strategy for testing all children prior to returning to school has been tweaked due to uncertainty around the legalities of children returning to school prior to the gazetted date. Therefore, we will change the in-school assessments to online assessments. Parents will still need to book a time but it will be administered online. This is to enhance our ability to meet the individual needs of the children. Details about the booking process will be sent via See Saw today.

Questions are being asked about what is being done with the excursion, incursion and swimming levies. There are some tentative plans for incursions in Term 4 that may use some of these funds, however any family that has paid levies that have not been used will have them credited to their accounts for next year. As for the Grade 6 children, any family leaving our school will be refunded any unused amount, providing their account is not in arrears. Those Grade 6 children who have siblings in our school will have these unused funds credited to their family account. We understand that it is a difficult time financially for many in the community. If you are having any problems with the payment of fees, please contact me to discuss.

Those of you who have a child starting school next year, may be wondering about the transition program for your child. At present we have no dates regarding transition sessions. We are waiting for the kindergartens to allow us to visit your child and for primary schools to have permission for your children to visit us. We have been told by the kindergartens that we will know more at the beginning of term 4. We are hoping to start transition sessions on the week beginning October 26th but this is dependent on state government approval.

I hope everyone has a safe and restful holiday break.

IMPORTANT DATES 2020

Fri 18 Sept	Last Day Term 3, 1pm dismissal
Mon 5 Oct	First Day Term 4
Mon 12 Oct	Online Home Learning continues P-6 Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 return to school
Mon 12 Oct	Online Home Learning continues 3-6 School Photos (Prep, Yr1 & Yr2) Yrs. 3 - 6 Photos-Date to be advised
Mon 26 Oct	Yrs. 3 - 6 return to school (TBC)
Tues 15 Dec	Last day 2020, 12.30pm Dismissal

RE NEWS

Liturgical Calendar: Twenty- Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

[Mt 20:1-16](#): *Why are you jealous because I am generous?*

The complaining workers in today's Gospel assumed they were near the top of some unspoken hierarchy. They thought they deserved more than some of their co-workers. If we think of the earth as God's great vineyard, we can see obvious parallels today. Nations can think they deserve more than their less developed neighbours; perhaps because their economies have been industrialised longer. People can assume they are right to own multiple properties while others remain homeless; perhaps because they inherited or worked hard for them.

But we Christians are called to work in the vineyard for its good, and for the good of all, not merely ourselves. "The way humanity treats the environment influences the way it treats itself, and vice versa", declared Pope Benedict XVI in the encyclical *Caritas in Veritate*, reminding us that justice for others and good stewardship of our world are intimately connected. During this Season of Creation, we might ask ourselves: How can we tend the vineyard into which God has sent us? Do we attend to the needs of our fellow workers, especially refugees and immigrants who have only recently arrived?

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2020

Advanced Life Photography will be a school to take photos of our Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 children on their first day back at school, Monday October 12th.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, they will be taking individual photos only. In the photo packs, the whole class group will be displayed as a series of individual portraits. Information about ordering photos will be provided as soon as we have it from our photographer.



Please ensure your child is wearing full summer uniform on this day.

The Year 3 to 6 children will have their photos taken on their return to school. Family group photos will also be taken at this time. The date is yet to be confirmed. Unfortunately, we are unable to have a whole school photo taken this year.

RETURN TO SCHOOL TERM 4

A detailed document outlining the process for return to school in term 4 has been shared with all families on SeeSaw today. The key dates are as follows:

Mon 5 Oct: First Day Term 4, Online Home Learning continues P-6

Mon 12 Oct: Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 return to school; Online Home Learning continues 3-6

Mon 26 Oct: Yrs. 3 - 6 return to school (TBC)

Summer uniform, including a hat, is required for all children on their return to school for in school lessons in Term 4.



Happy birthday to the following children who have birthdays this week and through the holidays

Timmy NGUYEN, Tom SOMERVILLE, Jordan ELKHOURI, Lily MATTHEWS, Lucas HAIGH, Benjamin SMITH, Max SMITH, Noah IVAS, Amara MAIORANA, Mila PRIVITELLI, Owen RAPP, Ben ANSWERTH, Charbel AL-HAKIM, Louis DURAY, William FITZPATRICK, Lily HOGAN, Scarlett NAJDOVSKI, Dante PANNUNZIO, Zeke SPINKS, Orlando MASTROMAURO, Eve MCQUALTER, Flynn MOLLOY, Eliza SMITH, Archer ZAGARI, Lucas CASSAR, Michael BRAMHAM, Atticus NOONAN, Layla DE BONO, Chanel VELLA, Leila ANTONIADIS, Chloe GAVAGHAN, Noah PATAMISI, Anthony FITZPATRICK Savannah, LASKOVSKI, Isabella PAPAL, Giacomo IANNONE, Lucas BELLINO, Isabella CLARK & Marko HRKAC,



Book Week



Hi Everyone,

As you may already be aware, Book Week for 2020 has been postponed until Week 3 of Term 4 (Monday 19th - Friday 23rd of October). The Book Week theme for this year is **Curious Creature, Wild Minds!** We are planning on celebrating Book Week over a two week period starting from Week 2 and finishing on Friday Week 3.

As our Prep-2 students will be at school when we celebrate BookWeek, they will be undertaking activities in Literacy to engage, encounter and enjoy the various books that have been nominated for the Book Week Awards. These activities will have a strong Literacy focus, but will also involve craft, grammar, story telling, re-enacting stories, creating role plays etc just to name a few. We cannot wait to engage our students in books and the love of reading through these activities. Thursday 23rd October will be our Book Week Parade. However, due to our current circumstances, this will look very different to previous years. Instead of having a whole school parade, we will be conducting a virtual parade for our students in Years Prep-2. Each grade will parade around the multipurpose room, and we will stream their parade live to all the other classes in the school. So get your thinking hats on and start creating your AMAZING costumes!

Our students in Years 3-6 will not miss out on the fun either! We will also have these students participating in activities relating to the Book Week stories, however, this will be completed remotely. There will be many different tasks that the students will undertake at home and they will all have access to all the books digitally. Some of the activities will include role playing, creating an artistic response to the text etc. These tasks will be supported by the teachers and we cannot wait to see what the students produce. This will be a time for our students to read, explore and to just enjoy picture story texts as well as investigating strategies that authors use to engage readers of all ages.

*****IMPORTANT UPDATE*****

Students in Years 3-6 will now be able to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character for a parade on Friday 30th October (this is the Friday of Week 4 - your first week back at school). We have decided that we don't want you to miss out on the fun and festivities of Book Week so you will also complete some of your Book Week tasks throughout this week as part of your literacy schedule.

We are very sad that we cannot celebrate Book Week in the same way as we have done in the past, but look forward to seeing all students engage in the love of reading through these beautiful picture story texts!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email. Happy Reading!!!

Danielle Thompson

SJB Cookbook

IMPORTANT AMENDMENT

There have been some technical issues with email address that was originally set up to send your recipes to. We have a new email address: sjbrecipes2021@gmail.com.

If you have sent a recipe to the old address could you, please resend it to the new address.

We are really keen to get as many recipes as we can to produce a really fabulous SJB COOKBOOK

Details required when sending your recipe:

Category:

Title:

Submitted by:

A little bit about the recipe: (optional - family tradition/history/short description)

GF? Vegetarian? Vegan?

Serves:

Ingredients (in order of use in recipe)

Method (if using oven, please state preheat temp in first sentence)

Tips and Suggestions (eg. freezes well, keeps in fridge 4 days, store in airtight container, etc)



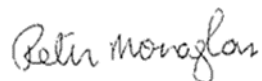
Please send to sjbrecipes2021@gmail.com.in the format above, preferably with a photo attached You will receive an acknowledgement email, please make contact if you don't. We want to ensure that we don't miss any recipes!

We can't wait to share your family favourites!

We are aiming for the book to be produced and sold in 2021.



Thanking you



Peter Monaghan
Principal