

# ST JOHN BOSCO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Primary One Induction May 2023



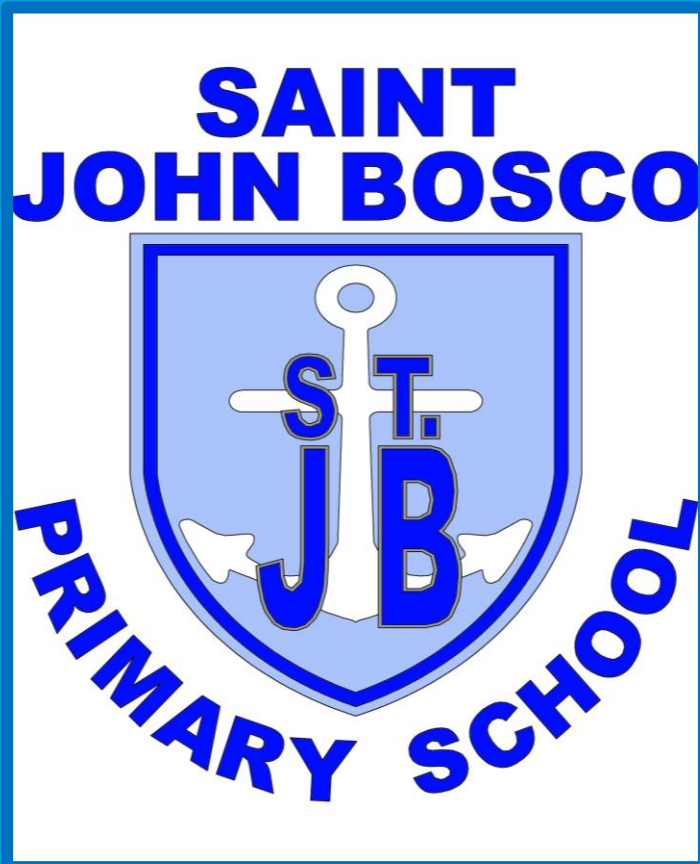
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# SCHOOL JOURNEY BEGINS

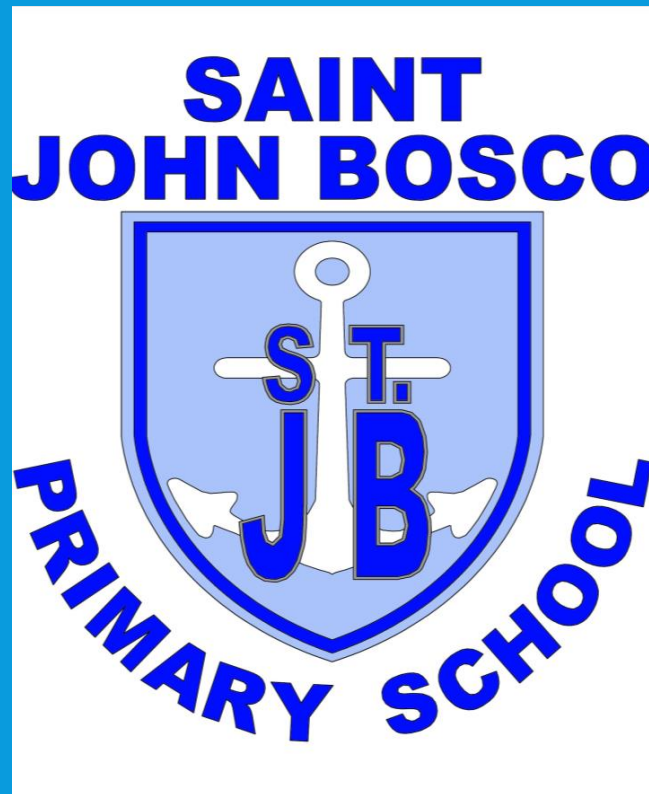


# OUR SCHOOL MOTTOS



Within the community we are known as SJB. We wanted to use this to reflect our values and ethos. We found it difficult to condense this into one motto so as a result we have a variety of mottos created by our children which we believe reflect the ethos of our learning community.

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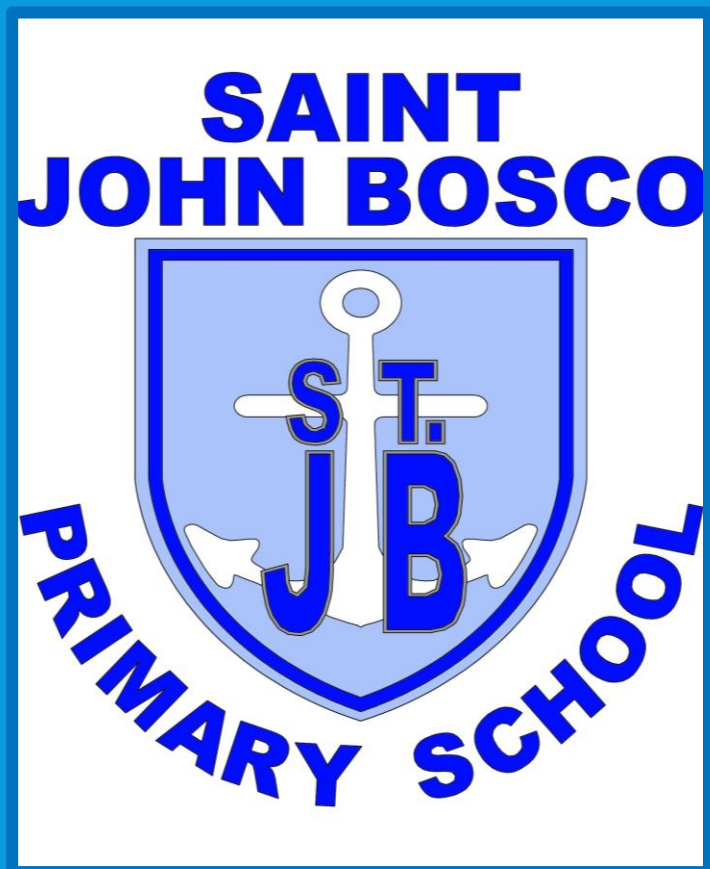
**School Journey Begins** – this was chosen with particular reference to our primary one children who are at the beginning of this new chapter in their learning journey

**Sharing Jesus Beliefs** – this was chosen to reflect the importance of our faith and how we put our values into action

**Striving for Joy and Brilliance** – this is our aspiration for our entire school community

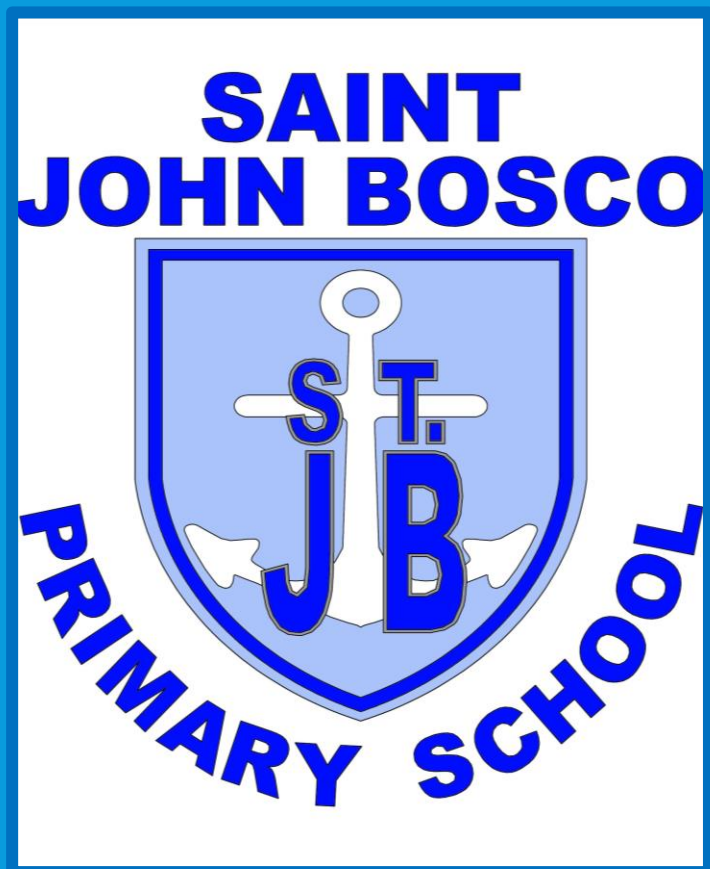
**Safety Justice and excellent Behaviour** – this reflects our core values for our children

# OUR SCHOOL VISION



Our vision for St John Bosco Primary School is for everyone to be safe, happy and learning in an environment where each individual is respected and loved for who they are, and where Christ is at the centre of our daily lives.

# OUR SCHOOL VISION



We are a school that:

Builds relationships based on love and compassion

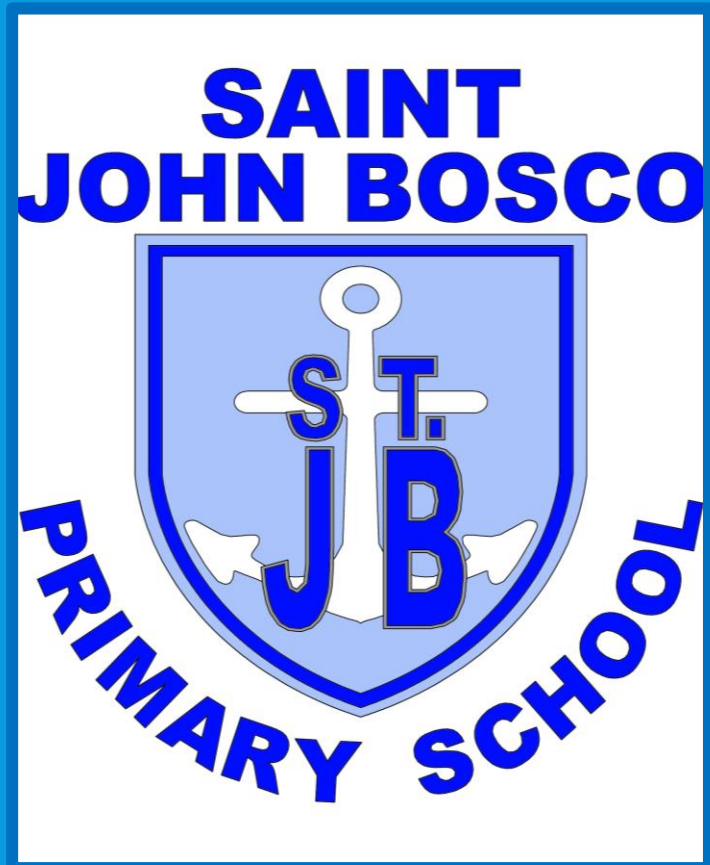
Values families as partners in their child's learning

Is ambitious for all of our pupils, our school journey can take us anywhere

Ensures children are stimulated, engaged and challenged

Is a community of Faith, we **Share Jesus' Beliefs**, and this is reflected in our Values.

# OUR VALUES



Kindness



Inclusion



Support



Compassion



# OUR SCHOOL DAY

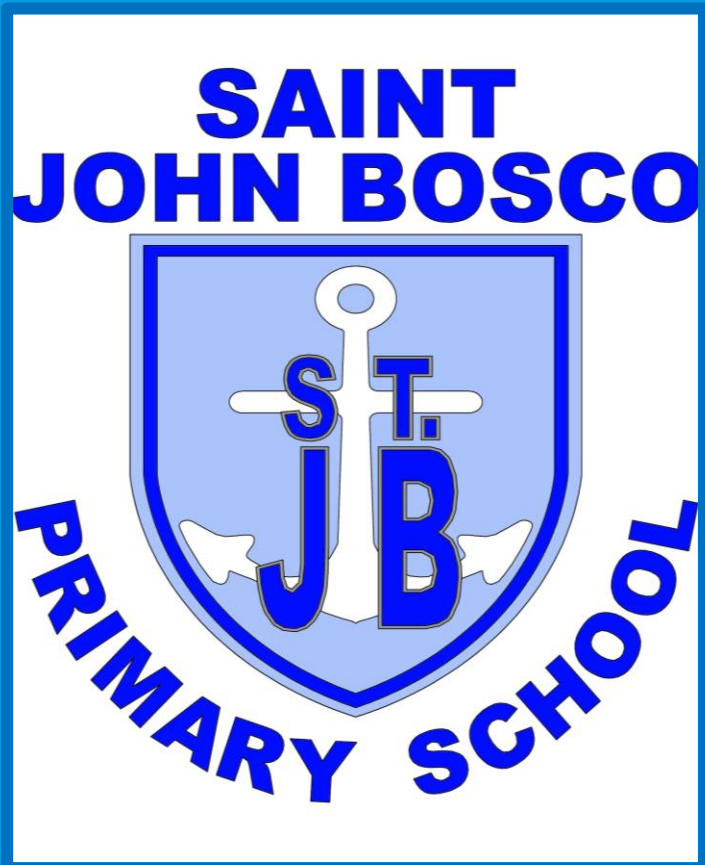
- **9.05am – School day begins**
- **9.05am – 10.30am – learning session 1**
- **10.30am – 10.45am – morning interval**
- **10.45am – 12.15pm- learning session 2**
- **12.15pm- 1.05pm – lunch break**
- **1.05pm- 3.05pm – learning session 3**
- **3.05pm – End of the school day**



# SCHOOL CALENDAR

- A school calendar with important dates throughout the school year, including school holidays will be issued within the first weeks of term.
- This will give you an overview of the school year allowing you to plan your family calendar.

# OUR PRIMARY ONE STAFF TEAM



## Primary 1a

Miss Ashley MacDonald – Monday – Friday

## Primary 2/1b

Mrs Melissa Macpherson – Monday – Tuesday

Mrs Leigh O'Neill – Wednesday – Friday

## Support Staff

Mrs Michelle Grimes

Mrs Jacqueline Campbell

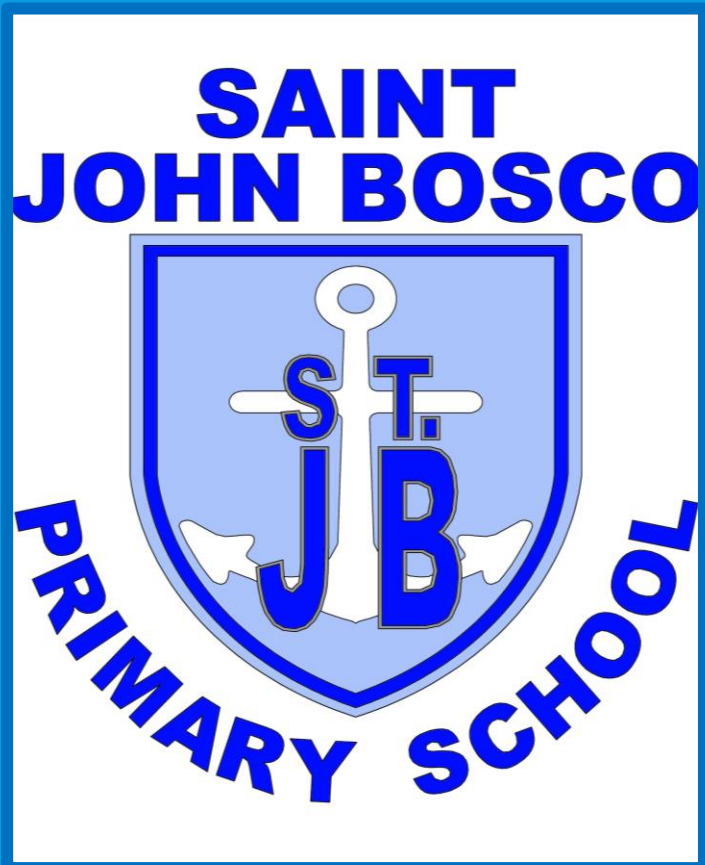
# CLASS COMPOSITION – PRIMARY 1 & PRIMARY 1/2

- Next session we will have a primary 1 and a primary 1/2 class. This has also been the case this session.
- How will this work for my child? – All primary 1 children will receive their specific learning inputs in literacy & numeracy together. This input may be delivered by any of the 3 teachers within the primary 1 team.
- In the afternoon and for other curricular areas the children will work within their class groupings with their allocated class teacher.

# CLASS COMPOSITION – PRIMARY 1 & PRIMARY 1/2

- Feedback from parents of children who have been in composite classes this year:
- *“Overall we have had a positive experience with our child in a composite class.”*
- *“From a positive educational point I think my daughter seeing primary 2 work has gave her more drive to excel.”*
- *“I think this class (P1/2) has really helped my child, she’s very excited to become a P2 student, I think this is because she’s in the same class, she’s seeing the work and lessons and is looking forward to it herself now instead of being scared of the change.”*

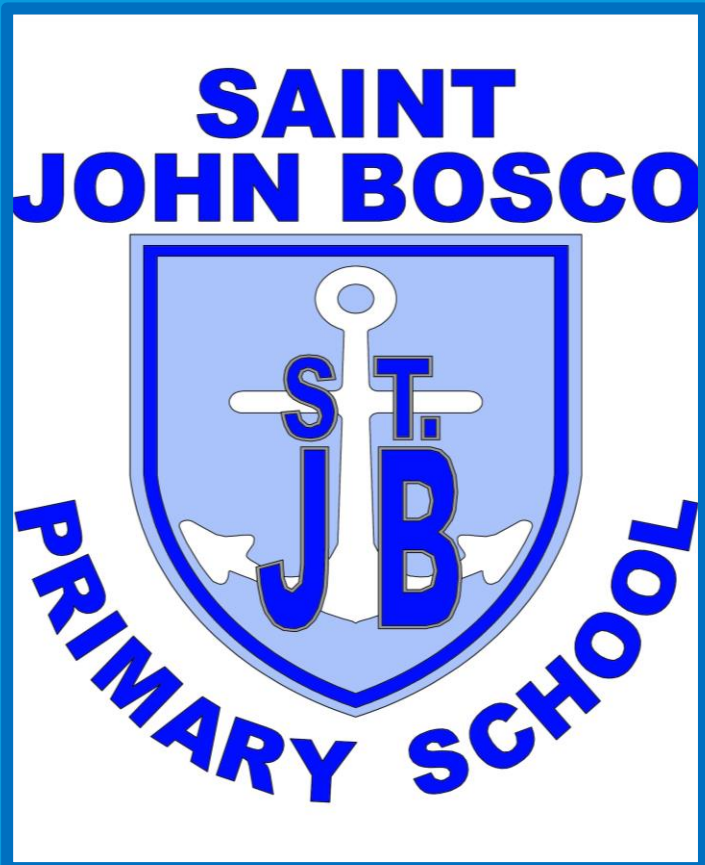
# OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM



PE will take place indoors and outdoors next session.

Children are also asked to bring in a pair of indoor shoes that they can change into when they are in class. This is for the comfort of the children, particularly on wet days.

# OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM



School Uniform can be purchased from a variety of suppliers. Non branded uniform items can be purchased from most high shops.

# FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL

## WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2023



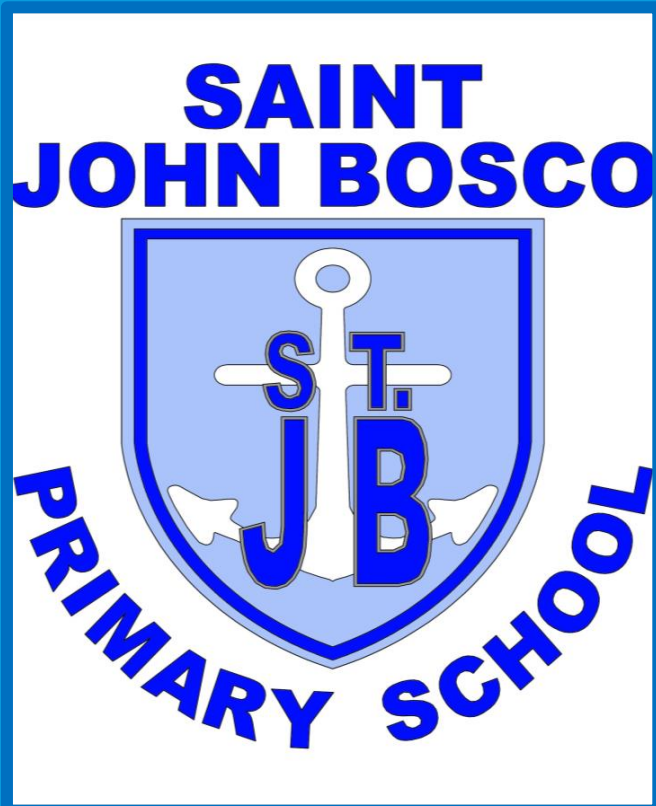
On this date we will welcome you and your child at 9.15am. Children and adults should enter the playground via the school gates next to the car park. You will be met by members of the senior leadership team and you will have the opportunity to take photographs of your child in the playground before they go into their classroom.

At 9.30am children will be directed to line up at their classroom door. Class teachers will take the children into the class to begin their first day at school.

Unless they are travelling home by school transport children should be collected from their classroom at the end of the school day.

Class teachers will dismiss children from the classroom at the end of the school day.

# THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY



Your child's class teacher will not dismiss your child unless they know who is collecting them. Please ensure that you inform the class teacher if there is any change to collection arrangements.

If there is a change to your collection arrangements during the school day please contact the school office.

If we are unsure over any collection arrangements we will phone you to confirm these.

For children travelling by school transport please ensure that you inform the school of which days your child will be travelling by school transport.



# LEARNING IN PRIMARY ONE



We follow the primary one pedagogy, this is a method of teaching which is based around play.

Children will have a mix of play based learning activities, both inside and outside.

Children will also engage in focussed, adult led learning activities.

The day will begin with an active start where children have free choice learning activities. During this time children will also choose their lunch and check in with their class teacher.

At 9.25am the children will come together with their class teacher to say their morning prayer. Following this structured learning activities will begin.

# LITERACY IN PRIMARY ONE



Children will follow the Jolly Phonics programme to learn the individual phonic sounds.

Children will learn 2 new sounds each week.

Children will practice saying, recognising and writing these single sounds, as the progress children will then use these to blend CVC words.

From this children will begin to blend and read CVC words e.g. sat

We use the Big Cat reading scheme. Early reading books do not have words, instead parents are encouraged to look at these books with their children and talk about the pictures.

Children are encouraged to develop their fine motor skills in a variety of ways from writing, to mark making in sand, forming letters with play doh.

# NUMERACY IN PRIMARY ONE



Children will learn Stages of Early Arithmetical Learning (SEAL).

Children will learn to work within numbers 0-20

Children will initially learn place value, the order of numbers and the value of each individual number.

Children will then move onto learning 'number stories', this is the beginning of learning to add & subtract numbers.

Children will also learn about shape, position and movement, data handling and information handling.

We use Heinemann numeracy learning resources.

# HOMework IN PRIMARY ONE



Homework will be set weekly.

This allows for flexibility across the week. We recommend that children complete some homework tasks each night rather than completing all homework tasks in one session.

Homework will be shared via your child's homework diary and on the primary one google classroom. Some resources will be shared electronically so it is important that you remember to log into google classroom regularly.

Your child should bring homework into school in their homework bag. Homework bags can be purchased from Schoolwear Made Easy.

# OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM



We are very proud of our school uniform in St John Bosco Primary School. Children should wear traditional school uniform every day. On PE days children get changed into PE kit.

## Our school uniform

**Boys:** Blue blazer/blue fleece jacket with school badge, grey trousers, blue shirt, school tie, grey pullover

**Boys PE:** Blue shorts, St John Bosco branded PE top, no jewellery. PE kits should be left in school. Children will change for PE lessons.

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## Our school uniform

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**Girls PE:** Blue shorts, St John Bosco branded PE top, no jewellery. PE kits should be left in school. Children will change for PE lessons.

# BREAK TIME



Breaktime for primary one children is from 10.30am – 10.45am.

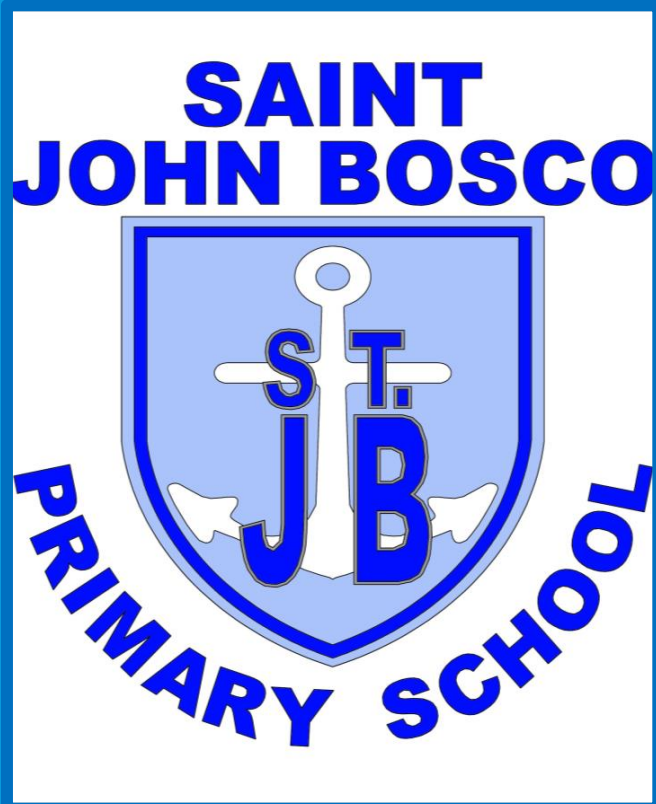
You should provide your child with a healthy snack and a drink of water for break time.

We are a nut free school. Please ensure that your child does not bring any nut products or products containing nuts into school.

Children will be supervised by adults in the playground at breaktime.

If your child has a trip or fall a minor incident slip will be completed and sent home. If your child has a bump to the head the school office will phone you.

# LUNCHTIME



All children in primaries 1 – 5 are entitled to free school meals.

Children can choose to have a school lunch or to bring a packed lunch from home.

The school lunch menu will be sent home to parents at the beginning of the school session. If your child has any allergies or food intolerances please inform the school.

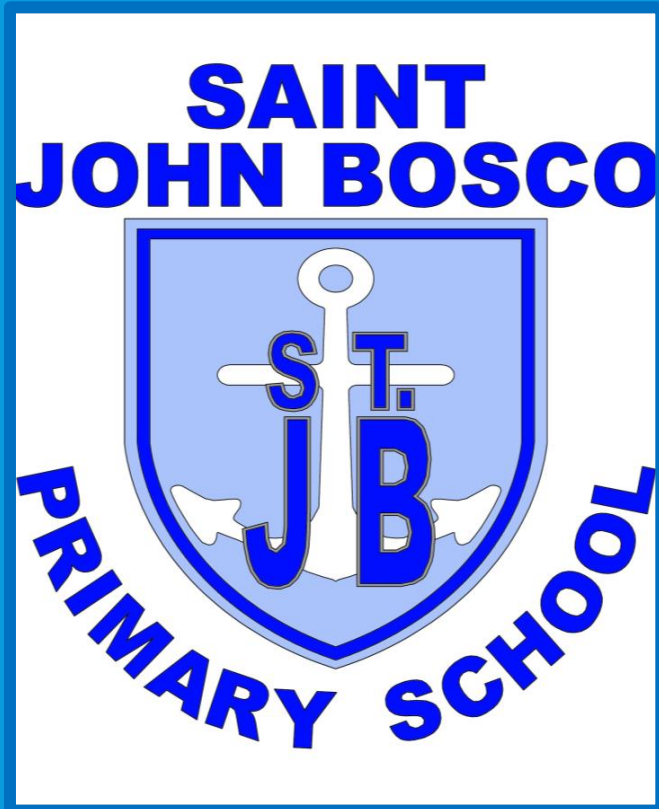
Children choose their lunch option on the Promethean board in class each morning.

Children eat lunch in the lunch hall. Staff are in the lunch hall each day to support the children and ensure that they eat their lunch.

After children have eaten their lunch they will go out to play.



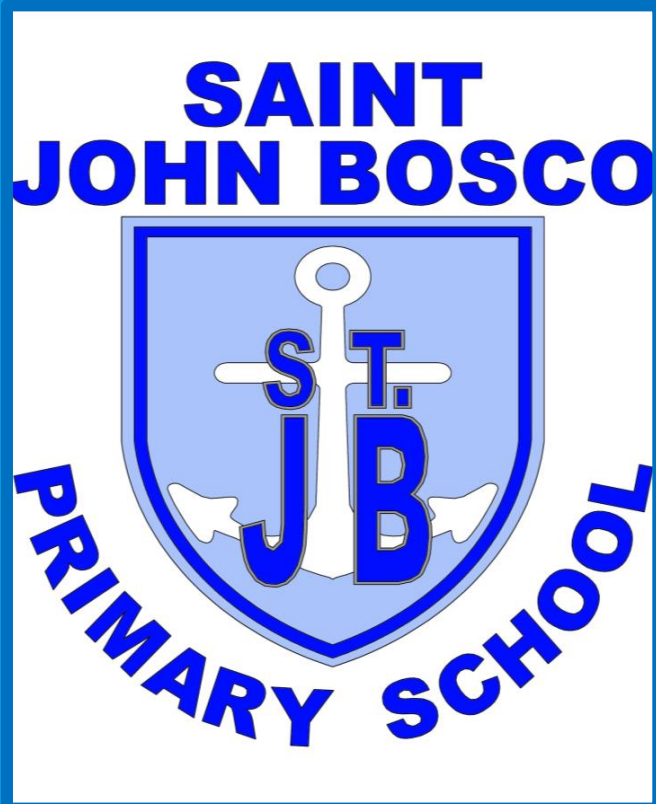
# SCHOOL TRANSPORT



If your child will be travelling to school by school transport you should apply on the Renfrewshire council website. The link is below.

<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/3486/Home-to-school-transport>

# SCHOOL TRANSPORT



In the morning children are met from the school bus by a member of staff. Children are escorted into the school playground.

If there is a change to your collection arrangements during the school day please contact the school office. If we are unsure over any collection arrangements we will phone you to confirm these before your child is put onto the school bus.

We have a register of school bus children which is completed before children are escorted onto the bus.

Children are put onto the school bus by a member of school staff who will check that they have their seatbelt on and they are settled on the bus.

# COMMUNICATION – SCHOOL APP

- Downloading the app for the first time:
- Search 'School App for Parents' in the Apple or Google Play all stores.
- Search for St John Bosco Primary School, choose this from the drop down menu.
- You will be asked to open the app and enter the username & password. Please contact the school office, telephone number 0300 300 1447, for details of the username and password for the school app.

# COMMUNICATION – SCHOOL TWITTER



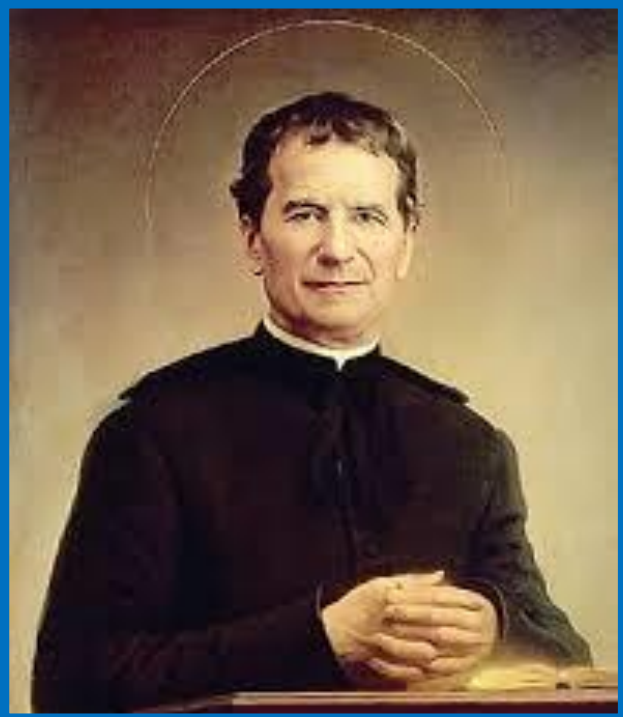
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Appropriate permissions will be obtained before children's images are shared on social media.

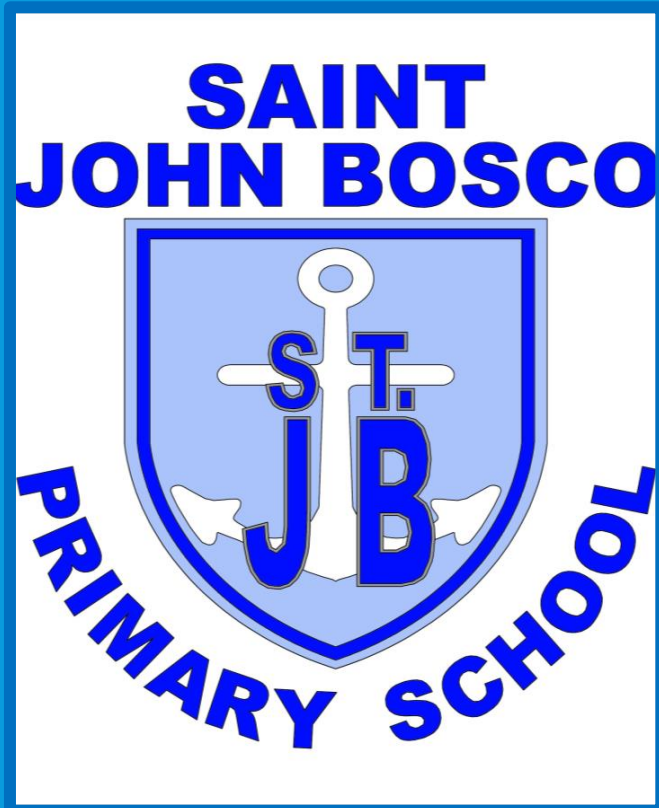
# COMMUNICATION – SCHOOL WEBSITE



Our school website contains information about our school including our school handbook, school improvement plan and our newsletters. The website is also linked to our school twitter page. You can access our website on the link below.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stjohnboscoprimary/>

# COMMUNICATION – NEWSLETTER & EMAIL



Weekly Diary – our weekly diary is uploaded onto our school app to provide you with an overview of events across the school each week.

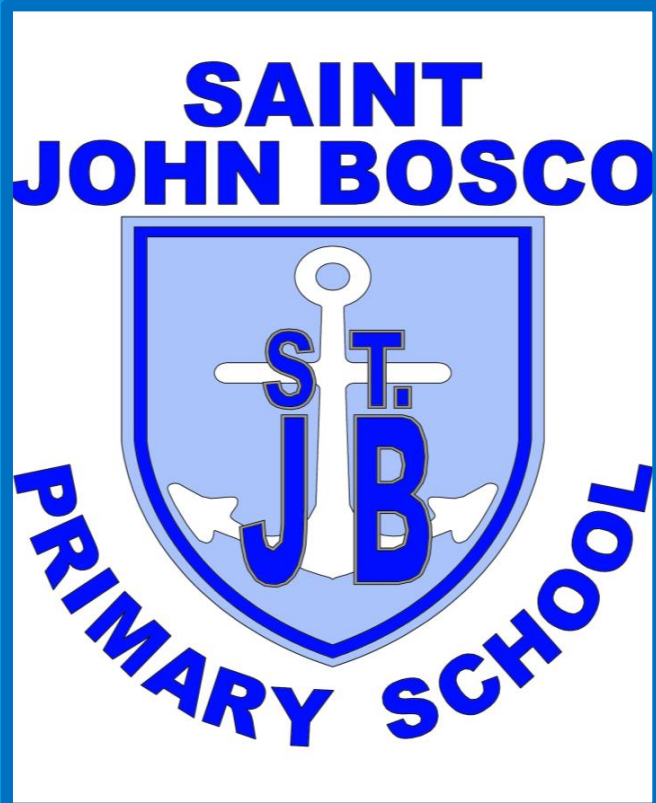
Newsletter – our fortnightly newsletter is uploaded to our school app & website every second Friday. Our newsletter keeps you up to date with events in our school and parish communities.

You can communicate with your child's class teacher via your child's homework diary.

You can also phone the school office to arrange to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the senior leadership team.

In order to ensure the safe running of our school visits are by appointment only. If you need to see a member of staff please contact the school office to arrange this.

# HOUSE SYSTEM



Each of our houses are named after a significant place in the life of St John Bosco

**Bechhi - yellow**

**Chieri - red**

**Turin - blue**

**Valdocco - green**

Each child will be allocated to house. If your child has siblings in the school, they will be allocated to the same house as their sibling.

Children receive house points for a variety of reasons and can also earn further house points during whole school events such as Sports Day

# BUDDY SYSTEM



Your child has been allocated a pupil buddy who you will meet on induction day 2.

This child will be able to support your child in the playground and lunch hall as they settle into primary 1.



# OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES

## SHARING JESUS BELIEFS



Our school serves two parish communities:

St John Bosco Parish, Erskine, parish priest- Canon David Boyd

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Bishopton, parish priest Canon Peter McGarry.

We work closely with both parishes and will provide regular updates on what is happening within our parishes via our newsletter and social media.

We hold Mass in our school gym hall or walk to St. John Bosco Church for feast days and celebrations

This session we have continued to have whole school faith celebrations virtually and outdoors.

# INDUCTION DAY 2 AND DAY 3

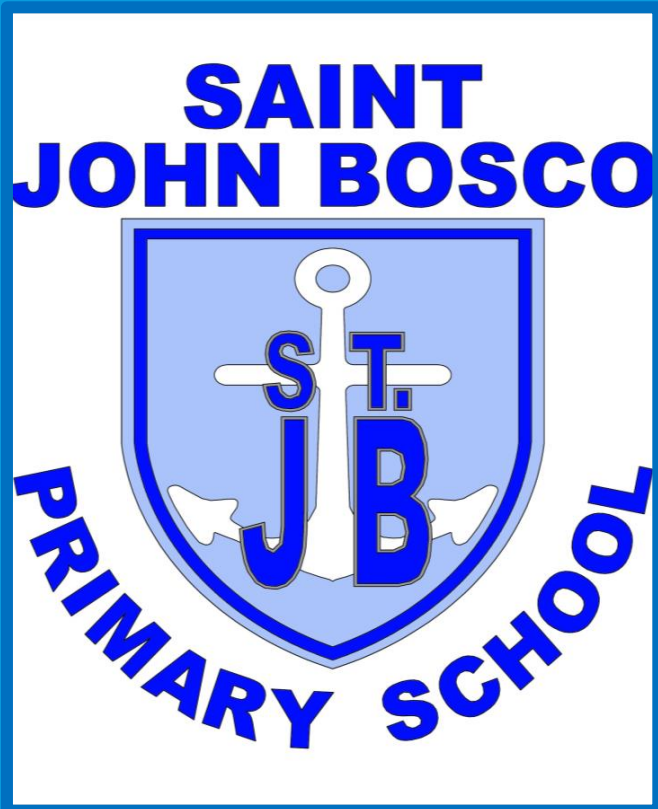
- **Induction Session 2 Arrangements – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May - 1:30**

- 1:30 Children and parents arrive at main entrance and take child into classroom.
- 1:40 Parents leave class via the main entrance.
- 2:30 Parents return to collect their child via main school entrance are welcomed in to meet their child's buddy and leave via playground door.

- **Induction Session 3 Arrangements – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - 1:30**

- 1:30 Children and parents arrive at main entrance and take child to the pitch where they will be welcomed by primary 1 staff team and their buddies.
- 1:35 Parents leave class via the main entrance.
- 2:30 Class Teachers and children walk to playground gate and children leave with parent.

# PARENT COUNCIL



We have an extremely busy and supportive parent council. The current chair of our Parent Council is Mrs Christine Combe.

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St John Bosco Parent Council

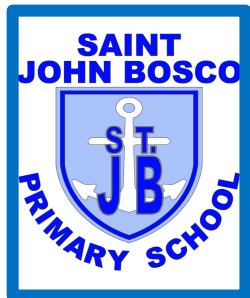
Chair Person – Christine Combe



# EVALUATION

Induction Day 1 Evaluation 2023





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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask. We look forward to working with you and your child in the years ahead.

Induction Day 1 Evaluation 2023



Thank you!

*Let the  
journey begin!*