

# Buckland School Newsletter



Buckland School is committed to providing quality education that engages all students fully in a wide range of learning experiences that will assist them in preparing for the challenges of

Week 8 Term 3

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13 September 2021

**Dear Parents and Community Members** Tena Koutou

- I hope this newsletter finds you all well and coping with our extended Lockdown. I have waited to send this out until we know what the Government has decided for us here in Auckland. Our PM has just announced that Auckland will remain in Alert Level 4 until at least next Tuesday night. Please stick to the restrictions, get tested if you have symptoms and stay positive.
- \* A reminder our school site is **closed.** There is no access to school sites during Alert Level 4. Playgrounds (including public playgrounds) are also closed to reduce the risk of the virus spreading.
- Thank you to those parents who have informed me of the need to send your children to school under Alert Level 3. If your situation changes please get in touch with me a.s.a.p. as there are strict guidelines that we have to work under to keep children and staff safe. The advice is that at Alert Level 3, children should only go to school if their parents are required to work and there is no other care option available at home. Ultimately, schools, for the most part, do remain closed except for those workers where there are no other options available for the care of their children. Please email me at: principal@buckland.school.nz
- Agricultural Day—As I wrote last week-Your Board has discussed Agricultural Day. It is unlikely that this will be able to be held as a full day however if we are at Level 2, and the guidelines for level 2 remain as they were last year we will run separate groups for children to show their animals. If this does go ahead it will involve restricted numbers of spectators and set times for each group. More information will be communicated as we can provide it to you.
- ◆ Te Wiki o Te Reo—Maori Lan**guage Week.** Look out for the activities that teachers have placed in choice boards and google classrooms for children to enjoy over the week to celebrate the Maori Language.
- Board Meeting—next Wednesday
  22 September there will be a further Board meeting via Google Meet. If you wish to attend please email Mr Goldsack (the presiding member) on goldprop@xtra.co.nz and he will send you a Google Meet invitation.

### BUCKLAND SCHOOL

#### Out of Zone Enrolments

The Board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Buckland School in 2022. Enrolment at Buckland School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office. Application forms for out of zone places (available from the school website) must be received by Wednesday 22 September 2021. These can be emailed to our Executive Officer— GMills@buckland.school.nz

The Board of Trustees has determined we have a limited number of spaces. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available students will be selected by ballot. This will take place on 24 September 2021.

- **Sports and School Events**—Until further notice all sport and school events will be suspended.
- **Learning Activities—**Year 3—8 have their learning activities on their Google Classroom accounts while Year 1 & 2 have Activity Boards that are emailed to parents. Other online activities include Mathletics, StepsWeb, Epic Reading, zoom meetings. Other learning activities are available on the following sites: Hard pack contents are online for you and your whanau to access via the Learning From Home and Ki te Ao Marama websites.

Papa Kāinga (TVNZ) and Māori TV On Demand educational channels are also available now.

contact your teacher if your child is having any difficulties with completing learning activities or if you need help to support them.

## **Thank You to:**

- All students who are working hard on their learning activities that teachers are providing on Choice Boards (Yr1—2 & Google Classrooms (Yr 3-
- Parents and whanau who are doing an amazing job in supporting your children with their on-line and at home learning.
- To all our Essential workers who are providing services to keep us safe and well provided for.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Kia Kaha Kindest Regards Mavis Glasgow Principal

### **Well-Being Resources**

If you are worried about the well-being of your children please contact us. We have resources and resource people available who can contact you and offer support.

I have also put up resources on our school website: www.buckland.school.nz in the Covid 19 folder which the Ministry of Education compiled last year that you may find useful.



Computer work



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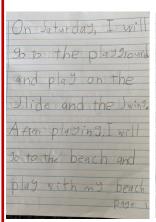


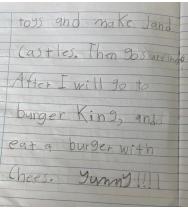


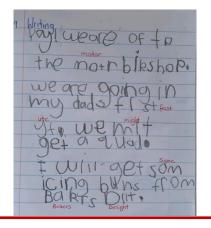


Please keep sending your photos in. I will put as many as I can in the newsletter each week.

**Delightful Stories from Piwakawaka's Friday Challenge by Salwa and Brock**—Write about what you will do the first weekend we are out of lockdown and down to Level 1 or 2.









### More Free Resources from Murray Gadd

Murray has added two new "read-to sessions" on to Vimeo and YouTube, available free to everyone, both very funny stories. They're there just for students to enjoy – no follow-up writing expected:

"Busting" by Aaron Blabey for Year 1-8 students and;

"The legend of rock, paper, scissors" by Drew Daywalt (author of The Day the Crayons Quit), for Year 4-8 students.

There's another two lessons that he put up last week (which several of our students enjoyed):

Diary of a Worm (diary writing for Year 2-6 students) and;

The Rascally Cake - procedural writing - for (Year 2-8 students).

Search Murray Gadd Literacy

### PARENT'S WORKSHOP: TOOLS TO HELP YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

talk about and manage their emotions think positively choose their response be ok with making mistakes relax you'll also learn things to help yourself too! Would you like to learn some tools to help you support your child's mental and emotional WELLBEING? this workshop is designed to give you a range of fun & practical techniques that will help your child(ren): you'll also receive an accompanying workbook with all the tools in to refer to whenever you need. Just \$39 per household The first two dates sold out super quickly and so i've added a third and final date due to continued demand. if you're interested please contact me asap to avoid disappointment. Wednesday 22nd September 7:30pm - 8:30pm online For more details & to register, contact Jo: 021 199 5755 jo@thehappinessclub.co.nz THEHAPPINESSCLUB.CO.NZ