

We're Going Back To School



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to another new and exciting school year! I hope that you have had a wonderful summer break and your child is ready to begin their year in Room 4 (or the Tui room as we will start to be referred to).

Our topic this term is Kiwiana with a focus into New Zealand native birds. This year EOTC week will be run a little differently with the year 3 and 4's having their own EOTC week, this will be in term 2 so stay tuned for this and we will fill you in when we know more.

Swimming is every day after lunch and Tuesday/Friday lunchtime. Please make sure your child comes to school with their named togs, towel and bag.

I have created our class blog page on blogger <https://tuirroom4bucklandschool.blogspot.co.nz/> where you can keep updated with what we are getting up to in the classroom, so please take the time to have a look at this.

General Reminders

- Children should be coming into the cloak bay, hanging up their bags and bringing what they need into the classroom independently.
- Book bags need to be at school every day with their appropriate books returned.
- Children will bring a library book home on Thursday (only if their previous one has been returned). These can be kept until the following week.

Homework

Children will have a homework sheet each week in their homework books. This will contain their book log, spelling words, basic facts practice and either a spelling/maths or topic activity. They will have reading Monday to Thursday and sometimes the same book is given for more than one night. Please can you record the book title in their reading log and sign. If they read a different book from the one given then that can be recorded instead. I will mark homework at the end of the week so please make sure their homework book is back at school every Friday.

Maths

The major focus for the year is Number (number knowledge and strategies). Children will be reminded of their Mathletics passwords if they have forgotten them and one will also be placed in their homework books. We will also cover these strands over the year: Algebra, Measurement, Statistics, Geometry, Time and Fractions.

I look forward to meeting you and please feel free to come and see me before school or after school if you need to see me for a quick message, to check anything or see your child's work. If you have any other concerns and would like to arrange a meeting please feel free to make an appointment with me for a suitable time. You can also email me at lobrien@buckland.school.nz or at lizobrien29@gmail.com

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