

Buckland School Newsletter

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

5 May 2014

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **Welcome** back to school for Term 2. Staff hope that you all had an enjoyable Easter and first holiday break and that children are refreshed and ready for a busy term.
- ◆ **Welcome** to our new Room 1A students Hunter and Elle.
- ◆ **Olympic Value for this term: Respect for Self and Others.**
- ◆ **School Bells:** A start of school bell will now be rung at **8.55 a.m.** Children should arrive prior to this so that they have time to get organised for the day. Late arrivals disrupt the class and unsettle children.
- ◆ **Newsletter slips**—Don't forget to sign these and send along to school with children for the assembly draw each fortnight.
- ◆ **Speeches**—Years 4—8 children should be working hard on writing and preparing their speeches. Detailed notes outlining requirements were given at the end of last term. If you didn't receive these please ask your child where they are or visit the class websites.
- ◆ **Dates for Term 2** are over the page and also available on the school website in the calendar pages.

Thank you

- ◆ **To** staff for all their efforts with preparation for Term 2 over the holiday period.
- ◆ **To** our prefects: Abbey, Tristan, Emma and Emily for representing the school at the local ANZAC service.
- ◆ **To** parents who provided supervision and transport for the Rippa Rugby day during the last week of term 1.
- ◆ **To** all who contributed to the School Council's mufti day on the last day of term. \$253.60 was raised for the SPCA.
- ◆ **To** Mrs Harris and Mrs Ashley from the PTA for organising the PTA Easter raffle and to all who supported this.



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Events This Week

Tuesday 6 May—Orienteering practice at Colin Lawrie fields. Leaving school at 10.30 a.m.

Thursday 8 May—Yr 7/8 Technology at Intermediate. Don't forget bus leaves at 8.45a.m.

Events Next Week

Tuesday 13 May—Franklin Orienteering

Tuesday 13 May—PTA Meeting 7p.m. All Welcome

Thursday 15 May—Second Otago Maths Challenge

Friday 16 May—School Wheels Day

Friday 16 May—School Assembly (weather permitting)

Congratulations to:

- ◆ All children who received a Positive Behaviour Certificate for Term 1.
- ◆ Kade (Rm 10) and his family on the arrival of a new brother and son—Ty.
- ◆ The following children who won prizes in the Easter raffle:

1st Summer Rm 6	13th William Rm 1B
2nd Emily Rm 10	14th Tarryn Rm 10
3rd Hayden Rm 1B	15th Aidan Rm 7
4th Lucy Rm 7	16th Grace Rm 7
5th Alice Rm 6	17th Aaliyah Rm 6
6th Kaih Rm 4	18th Olivia Rm 8
7th Jayden Rm 6	19th Robert Rm 5
8th Quinn Rm 8	20th Harrison Rm 2
9th Ella Rm 6	21st Quart-Lee Rm 5
10th Sacha Rm 6	22nd Chelsey Rm 9
11th Jessica Rm 6	23rd Raymond Rm 9
12th Cole Rm 2	24th Noah Rm 7
	25th Abbey Rm 10

Term 2 Reminders

Change of Clothes are required if children wish to play on the field at intervals &/or for sports times.

Uniform—Only uniform items are to be worn. School beanies, scarves, sweatshirts, jackets, etc are available from the uniform shop. Girls may wear blue tights (only) under skorts.

Sports Uniform—All children representing the school in sports events **must** have **blue** shorts. School T-Shirts will be provided for each event and must be returned once washed please.

Thought for the Week

A willingness to accept responsibility for one's own life is the source from which self-respect springs.

Joan Didion (American writer)

Regards

Mavis Glasgow (Principal)

Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 1 T 2 14

The family received the newsletter this week.

Signed: _____ (enter family name)

Dates for Term 2

6 May—Orienteering practice
13 May—PTA Meeting
13 May—Franklin Orienteering
15 May—Otago Maths challenge
16 May—School Wheels day
16 May—First School Assembly for term 2
20 May—Auckland Orienteering
21 May—BOT Meeting
27 May—Franklin Yr 7/8 Soccer/Yr 6 Hockey
28 May—School Council meeting
29 May—Young Leaders Day—Year 8s only
30 May—Syndicate Speech final
2 June—Queen's Birthday observed
4 June—International Test—Science
4 June—School Speech evening—6 p.m.
5 June—Franklin Yr 6 & below soccer
9 June—Franklin Speech competition (Yr 5/6)
9 June—Life Education Caravan
12 June—Franklin Speech evening (Yr 7/8)
12 June—Franklin Tackle rugby
17 June—International Test –Spelling
18 June—BOT meeting
19 June—School Council meeting
19 June—Otago Maths Challenge
2 July—Franklin Gymnastics
2/3 July—Three way conferences/Reports
4 July—End of Term 2

Community Notices

School Counselling Service

My name is Marguerite Cooke and I am in my final year at Manukau Institute of Technology, studying counselling. I have two grown-up children of my own. I am required to complete 100 hours of face-to-face counselling this year, and am privileged to be able to volunteer at Buckland School on Friday afternoons. Because I'm still a student I am closely supervised, and sometimes will ask if I can record sessions, so that I can keep learning how to do a better job.

Everyone has times when things get us down and life seems unusually hard and it's good to have someone to share our concerns with. Children often don't know how to talk about the things that are bothering them, and we might see only changes in behaviour which are puzzling. School counsellors provide a safe, confidential space where children can express what's going on for them. I listen and work alongside them and their families to help bring about change. I'm happy to talk to parents and for students to 'drop in' of their own accord.

I love working with children and use a variety of activities along with simply talking, including drawing, small figures and sandtray. I look forward to continuing my work at Buckland this year.

Yummy Stickers

Keep saving these and send along to school for sports equipment later in the year.

Bus Bay Parking

Although we do not have a big bus parking we do have two minibuses that pick up children—please **do not** park in the bus bay until they have departed.

Influenza-Like Illness

Now is a good time to remind all about the things you can do to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus. Below are suggestions from the ARPHS to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus:

- ◆ Stay at home and away from others if you are sick
- ◆ Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- ◆ Put used tissues in a rubbish bin
- ◆ Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth—germs spread that way
- ◆ Be careful to wash hands often with soap and dry them thoroughly—**hand hygiene is critical:** even when you start to feel better there is still a risk of infecting others, so keep to the 20/20 rule—20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying.
- ◆ Keep surfaces clean at home, school and work.

I suggest you go over with your children and family members.

Community Notices

SEASONS

Seasons is a Grief and Loss Programme for children and teens, who are dealing with parental separation, death or major family change. The next 8-week After-school Programme for Term 2 starts on Thursday 15th of May, from 4pm-5pm at St Andrews Anglican Church in Pukekohe.

For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton on 021 142 5812, Deb on 238 7375, or contact us at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz.

For more info go to

www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons

RESTORING OUR WATERWAYS

Pukekohe Town Hall

Friday 9 May from 6.00 pm to 8.30 pm

You are invited to a free evening event to learn about the issues facing New Zealand's rivers and streams and what you and your community can do to help.

Co-ordinated by Auckland Council's Wai Care Programme the event includes a screening of a short movie about waterways, presentations by guest speakers, and educational displays about streams and land management, including live native freshwater fish.

Places are limited and bookings are essential.

To book your place email Sophie Twedde at sophie.twedde@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or text your name and number of places required to 021 821 676.