

# 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.

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Dear Parents and Community Members  
Tena Koutou

- \* **Welcome** back to the third term. Staff hope that you have had a good break from school routines and that children are now refreshed and ready for a very busy term.
- \* **Welcome** back to staff and many thanks for the hours spent getting organised for this term and for attending Professional Development.
- \* **Welcome** to Dominic, Flynn and Leon in Rm1 and Elena in Rm 4 and their families. We hope your association with the school will be a happy and rewarding one.
- \* **Values for this term:** Community and Participation
- \* **Senior Production: Aladdin Trouble**—What a wonderful production! Congratulations to all children who were involved. The main cast did a fabulous job showing off their talents and were ably supported by actors and dancers and an enthusiastic choir. Photos are available on the website.
- \* **Dates for the Term**—These are on the back please put them in a safe place. They are also available on our Website calendar.
- \* **Enrolment for 2016—Student Numbers** —At the August BOT meeting your Board must make the decision as to whether to hold a ballot for next year or not, and if so how many places will be available. We need your help to establish the closest approximation we can get on what our numbers will be at the beginning and throughout the year so that we can ensure staffing and funding supports all our children. Would you please let Mrs Glasgow or Mrs Mills know if your child/children will not be attending in 2016 or if you know of new children to the school zone who will require a place.
- \* **Safety Reminders**—All crossing of George Crescent must be done at the patrolled crossing. (Parents you need to be role models for this!) Walkers meet by the umbrella with walking school bus leaders and then they will ensure you are crossed at the main road and rail crossing (if applicable) Parents have the responsibility of ensuring the safety of children in the morning. If you are riding your bike to school you should be at least 10 years old (recommendation from NZ Police, Bike Wise and LTNZ) and must wear an approved helmet. You should be riding your bike on the road not the footpath. Any younger children must be supervised by a parent.

## Events This Week

Thurs 23 July—Otago Maths Problem Solving Challenge  
Fri 24 July – Pukekohe High School visit for Yr 8 students.

## Events Next Week

Mon 27 July—Mass Haka (Kapa Haka group) as per notes sent home last term  
Tues 28 July—International English test  
Tues 28 July—Year 6 meeting. 6 p.m. in Room 10  
See invitations given to students today  
Tues 28 July—PTA Meeting—7p.m.  
Wed 29 July—School Council meeting  
Wed 29 July—BOT meeting  
Thurs 30 July —Yr 7/8 Technology (bus leaves at 8.45a.m.)  
Fri 31 July—School assembly—2.15p.m. All Welcome

## Thank You to:

- ◆ Parents, children and staff for the efforts with the **wonderful** senior production. A huge thanks to all parents who assisted with costumes, props, backdrops, lighting and sound, set up and dismantling. We could not have given children this experience and achieved the standard we did without your help.
- ◆ To parents and family members who supported the senior students by attending the performances of Aladdin. To the PTA for your financial support and to the Buckland Hall for allowing us to use the hall for the week.
- ◆ To Melinda, Rosemary and Karen, for leading our walking bus. Please let us know if you would like your children to join this.

## Community Survey 2015

Thank you to the 59 families who have so far completed this year's survey, there's some great feedback coming in! **Only a few more days to get to our magic target of 75%... iceblocks and movie vouchers going begging!?!** We were off to a flying start in the first few days but it's slowed to a trickle. We have 168 families at our school so we're **only at 35%** so far - we need at least 66 more completed surveys! *Come on - you can do it!! You've gotta be in to win - don't forget to put your newsletter slip in the drawer!* If we don't have an email for you and you didn't get a personal invite you can enter the survey via <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BucklandSchoolCommunitySurvey2015>. This link is also on our website under the Community Surveys - Current Surveys page. Or you can do it the old-fashioned paper way - there's a pile in the office, or download from the website.

## Thought for the Week

*"The beautiful thing about learning is that nobody can take it away from you."*

BB King.

*Have a great first week everyone.  
Mavis Glasgow (Principal)*

## Senior Syndicate Cross Country Training

**Tuesdays & Thursdays 2.30-3.00pm—starting tomorrow**

Please ensure your child has old clothes and shoes for running around George Crescent.

School Cross Country is on August 13—All children are required to participate otherwise a note is required.

## Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 1 T 3 15

The ..... family received the newsletter this week.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (enter family name)

# Dates for the Term

- 23 July – Otago Maths challenge
- 24 July – Pukekohe High School visit for Yr 8
- 27 July – Mass Haka—Ecolight stadium for Kapa Haka group
- 28 July – International Test – English
- 28 July — Year 6 meeting
- 28 July – PTA Meeting
- 29 July — School Council meeting
- 29 July — BOT Meeting
- 30 July — First Yr 7 & 8 Technology for term
- 31 July — First school assembly of term (even weeks)
- 3 Aug – PTA Mystery Bottle week
- 5 Aug – Franklin Netball – Yr 7/8
- 6 Aug – Franklin Netball – Yr 5/6
- 7 Aug — Shop Day
- 10 Aug – Pretos testing (Yr 4 – 8)
- 11 Aug — International Test – Maths
- 11 Aug – Franklin Netball – Yr 3 / 4
- 12 Aug –Mathex evening
- 13 Aug — School Cross Country
- 17 Aug — Yr 7/8 Wellington Camp
- 17 Aug — Franklin Championship Gymnastics
- 21 Aug – Red Nose Day
- 24 Aug—Otago Maths Problem Challenge
- 26 Aug – North Group Cross country
- 26 Aug—BOT Meeting
- 28 Aug – Daffodil day
- 2 Sept – Franklin Cross country
- 7 Sept — Ronald McDonald visits juniors
- 8 Sept — Yr 6 & Below Basketball
- 7 Sept – AIMS games
- 15 Sept — Franklin Yr 7/8 Basketball
- 16 Sept — BOT meeting
- 17 Sept – Auckland Cross Country
- 24 Sept – Franklin Duathlon
- 26 Sept – AG day & End of Term 3

## Championship Gymnastics

Entries for Championship Gymnastics are needed shortly. If your child does gymnastics at club level and you would like them to be involved in the event on Monday 17 August at the Pukekohe Gym club would you please contact the Principal by Friday 31 July. Cost is \$2.50.

## From the PTA

We will be selling Grocery Raffle tickets at Pak N Save this Sunday 26 July. Can you or your child help Alicia for a while between 9.30 am and 3.30 pm?

Also we are looking for helpers at Countdown on Saturday 1 August and Sunday 13 September. If you or your child is able to help sell for 2-3 hours please contact Alicia on 021 405 666 or Deborah on 0274 106 515.

## Congratulations to:

- ◆ The following children who received certificates on the last day of Term 2: Rm1—Anika, Fynn, Felix, Mia T, Mia C, Samantha, Rm2—Thomas, Meg, Manea, Tyler, Rm3—Abby, Cody, Lucas, Torran, Rm4—Zion, Amalie, Ella, Ben, Rm5—Samara-Jane, Emerson, Tess, Finn, Rm6—Kaih, Brianna, Tadhg, George, Rm7—Kaija, Robert, Marcus, Seth, Rm8—Tayla, Jack, Ella, Alice, Rm9—Ryan, Tajt-Joy, Caitlin, Daniel, Rm10—Byron, Jayden, Kade, Callum  
Principal's Award: Zion—Rm4  
Lion Award: Ahnya—Rm 4
  - ◆ To the following children who received Athletics Certificates for Top Concepts Mastered for Term 2:
    - 1st Charlie Rm 6 with 70 concepts
    - 2nd Sylvie Rm 7 with 146 concepts
    - 3rd Anna Rm 6 with 113 concepts
- Top Classes—
- 1st Rm 6 with 1378 concepts
  - 2nd Rm 7 with 1260 concepts
  - 3rd Rm 5 with 1166 concepts



## Aladdin Trouble



### BOT Survey Return Slip

The ..... family has completed the 2015 BOT Community Survey. Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (by a parent)