

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 the future.

23 November 2015

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **Olympic Value for the term:** Balance of Body, Mind and Character
- ◆ **Hiwi the Kiwi Goes Fishing Show.** The Minstrel Mark de Lacy visited in 2013 and performed the show of Hiwi the Kiwi spreading news about sustainability, kai moana and water safety. The Minstrel is visiting tomorrow the 24th November. Thank you to those who have paid for this show. For those who haven't yet please pay the \$4.00 per child tomorrow. If you have problems with this please see Principal.
- ◆ **Farewell for Mr Gardner**—We will be holding a farewell for Mr Gardner this Friday 27 November from 3.15 p.m. on and invite parents, ex staff and ex pupils to come along and share afternoon tea and stories of Mr Gardner's 18 years at Buckland School. Please spread the news across the community. RSVP to the school to assist with catering.
- ◆ **Final Bible in Schools**—this was held last Wednesday. Bible teachers thank children and parents for the lovely flowers and cards they received.
- ◆ **Board Survey on Bible in Schools**—This survey is attached to this newsletter. Please answer the question and return survey to the school by this Friday 27 November.
- ◆ **Children's Reports**—Teachers have nearly all finished writing your children's reports and these are now in senior management hands. I enjoy reading and commenting on each report and thank teachers for the countless hours they spend writing these to inform parents of children's progress and achievements. All curriculum areas are commented on at the end of the year.
- ◆ **Hats/Sunscreen**— Children are wearing their hats well during intervals and outside activities. Each class has sunscreen available to children to use but if your child is not to use this please send your child along to school with their own.

Congratulations to:

The following children who were placed at the North Group sports: Matthew Rm9—3rd 1500m, Jasmine Rm10—2nd 1500m, 3rd 800m, Brody Rm6—3rd 60m, 3rd 100m, Mereana Rm8—1st 60m, 1st 100m, Ethan C Rm10—2nd 100m, 3rd High Jump Caitlin Rm9—2nd 100m, 3rd Long Jump, Cleo Rm 10—3rd 800m, Lola Rm8—1st High Jump, Tylah Rm 8—2nd High Jump, 1st Long Jump, Jayden T Rm10—1st High Jump, Year 6 & Below Boys Relay Team 2nd.

Book Club Orders

Orders for the Scholastics Book Club close tomorrow. Orders should be placed in the locked drawer in the office foyer.

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Events This Week

- ◆ Mon 23 Nov—Rm 6 & 7 First Aid courses
- ◆ Tues 24 Nov—Hiwi the Kiwi—9.15 a.m. in Buckland Hall
- ◆ Wed 25 Nov—Franklin Athletics—selected children from North Group event.
- ◆ Thurs 26 Nov—Rainbows End trip (selected chn)
- ◆ Fri 27 Nov—School Assembly—2.15p.m. All Welcome
- ◆ Fri 27 Nov— 3.15p.m. Farewell for Mr Gardner—All Welcome but please R.S.V.P. for catering purposes.

Events Next Week

- ◆ Book Week—School wide activities
- ◆ Wed 2 Dec—School Council—final meeting
- ◆ Wed 2 Dec—AIMs Meeting for parents—6.30p.m.
- ◆ Thurs 3 Dec—Final Yr 7/8 Technology
- ◆ Thurs 3 Dec—Auckland Yr 7 & 8 Athletics
- ◆ Fri 4 Dec—Yr 8 Graduation Dinner (invitations will be coming home with this newsletter)
- ◆ Sun 6 Dec—Pukekohe Christmas Parade

Prior Notices

- ◆ Junior Prize-giving—Monday 14 December at 1.30p.m.
- ◆ Senior Prize-giving—Monday 14 December at 6 pm
- ◆ Final day of school—Wednesday 16 December

Swimming

Lunchtime swimming has begun (if it is not too cold and weather permits.) Children will be informed of when class swimming will start by their teachers.

Free Tickets Available

Southern Stars Charitable Trust

A Christmas Tale. 5 December 4 p.m. at Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Show Grounds, Greenlane
Lions International—World Festival of Magic at Logan Campbell Centre on Sunday 13 Dec at 2 p.m.

If you would like some of these free tickets please see Principal. First in, first served!

Garden Competition

The judges will be judging the gardens during the week 30 November to 4 December. Please make sure that your garden is clearly marked so that it is easy to find.

Thought for the Week

"Do not let what you cannot do, interfere with what you can do."

Regards

Mavis Glasgow

Principal)

Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 7 T 4 15

The family received the newsletter this week.

Signed: _____ (enter family name)

Community Notices

Do you have any chickens from this year's 2015's Ag Day that you wish to rehome ? A good loving free range home would like between 2-4 chickens, to keep their one chicken company.
Please phone Emma 0211047584 for more details.

KIDS AFTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Summer is here and you must check out our awesome activities planned for Christmas and January school holidays—something for everyone!! Our brochures are online now at: www.kidsafterschool.co.nz or pop into our programme at Pukekohe Hill School. Book now and secure your place, before they run out!!

HOMESTAY FAMILIES WANTED

Tuakau College requires homestay families for Japanese students from 24 July to 6 August 2016 (13 nights). If you are interested please email international.tuakaucollege.com for more information and an application form.
If these dates are not suitable but you are interested in hosting foreign students in the future please email and we will add you to our database.
An allowance is paid to homestay families. Please note all homestays are required to undergo a police vet.

FLASH BANG SCIENCE CLUB

Will be running hands on science workshops in Pukekohe and Drury in the December pre-Christmas holidays. We are also taking bookings for Term 1 2016 after school classes for Pukekohe, Waiuku and Nathan Homestead. For more info check out <http://www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz/> or email admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz

GROOVIT DANCE SHOW CIRCUS

Saturday 5 December—1.30pm & 6.30 pm
Indian Event Centre, 57 Ward Street, Pukekohe
Tickets \$14 adults, \$8 child, \$35 family pass
Available from Groovit Dance Studio Mon-Thurs 3.30-6pm
Or at Custom Threadz

From the PTA

Due to returning to full time work and study the President, Secretary and Treasurer are unable to continue as the executive of the PTA and will be stepping down in March. We are keen to continue on the PTA and help as much as possible.
If you are interested in finding out more about the positions please talk to us or the Principal.

Community Notices

Rural Crime Prevention Advice

Over the last several months, it has been noticed that the Franklin rural area have experienced an increase in rural burglaries, which includes offending in this area. Offenders have burgled residential dwellings, but more recently, garages, sheds and out buildings are being specifically targeted in the rural locations.

Popular commodities targeted by offenders include chainsaws, mowers, nail guns, power tools leaf blowers and small generators.

One of the best ways to prevent yourself becoming a victim of a burglary is to complete a number of steps to deter offenders. These include the following

- ◆ If you have gates giving access to your property, ensure they are closed at all times and locked if possible.
- ◆ Lock your doors and windows when not at home, and also at night.
- ◆ Ensure your garage, sheds and out buildings are kept locked.
- ◆ Place signage on your gates or fence (ie beware of dogs, CCTV in operation)
- ◆ Lock your vehicles and keep the keys in a hidden place in the house
- ◆ Consider investing in an alarm, sensor lights and CCTV
- ◆ Register your serial numbers on the SNAP website www.snap.org.nz which includes a photograph. Don't forget your outside tools and equipment.

In recent months we have also had a number of firearms stolen during rural burglaries. As a responsible Firearms Licence Holder please ensure your guns are secured safely at all times and stored separate from the ammunition and bolts.

Lastly, please do not hesitate to call 111 if you see a vehicle or persons acting suspiciously in your area. Obtain as much information regarding descriptions, vehicle registration plates and direction of travel. Police will respond to the area immediately if available.

We need your assistance to prevent burglaries in your area and thank you for your help.



Pukekohe Police

School Athletics



Field Events