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.

9 February 2016

Dear Parents and Community Members Tena Koutou

- ♦ We have had a wonderful start to the year! Congratulations to all children and staff who have settled quickly back into school routines. Well done also to our new students for their start.
- ♦ **Welcome** to our new student in Rm 1—Jamie-Lee.
- ♦ School Website—We are in the process of getting more of our 2016 information onto our website and teachers and staff will be continually adding to this. Go to www.buckland.school.nz Newsletters are placed in the newsletter section as well as coming home with your eldest in paper form.
- School Charter/Strategic Plan—Copies of the draft charter & strategic plan are available in the foyer for perusal and comment on. The 2015 National Standards reports for the school are also available. Please contact Mrs Glasgow if you would like copies of these.
- ◆ Te reo Maori lessons—This year the Board have employed Mrs Mary Astle to teach all classes every second week along with class teachers. The junior school began their lessons last week and the senior school will have their first lesson this week.
- ◆ Family BBQ/Sports/Swim Afternoon/Evening—The Board of Trustees invite you all to an evening at school to enjoy our facilities and get to know members of our school community—Friday 19 Feb, 5 p.m. Bring along some food & drinks to share. BBQ will be available & the Board will be putting on a sausage sizzle. (Alcohol is not permitted)

Dates for 2016 Terms:

Term 1: Tuesday 2 Feb – Friday 15 April Easter Break—Friday 25 March—Tuesday 29 March

Term 2: Monday 2 May – Friday 8 July

Term 3: Monday 25 July – Friday 23 September

AG Day—Saturday 24 September

Term 4: Monday 10 October – Friday 16 Dec Please make holiday bookings during holiday periods rather than during term time.

- ◆ School Times: A school bell rings at 8.55a.m. for a school start at the dot of 9 a.m. and finishes at 3 p.m. Children need to arrive before 8.55a.m. so that they can be prepared for a start at 9a.m. and do not interrupt classes that have already started. Interval is 10.10—10.30 with lunch break 12.40—1.30. The first 15 minutes of lunch are assigned to sitting down and eating. This year we are sitting under the senior playground trees in the shade.
- ◆ **Absences**: Please notify the school early each morning that children are going to be away stating the reason for the absence. An answer phone operates. Please note the Ministry guidelines: Prior permission from the principal is to be obtained before an overseas trip. Students will however be marked as an unjustified absence because it is a holiday during term time.

Mathletics & Technology Fees

A reminder that Mathletics and Technology Fees are now due. Statements will be sent home shortly if you have not yet paid.

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Events This Week

- Swimming children need to bring togs and towels <u>everyday</u> as class programmes are organised for daily swimming. Junior students need a sweatshirt to put on after their swim please.
- Wed 10 February—Immunisation talks for Year 7
 & 8
- Wed 10 Feb—6 p.m. AIMs Games Meeting for Yr
 7 & 8 parents. If you are unable to attend please contact Mrs Fletcher.

Events for Next Week

- ◆ Tues 16 Feb—Parent Meetings and Maori consultation meeting—see notice over
- Wed 17 Feb—First School Council meeting
- ◆ Thursday 18 Feb—Technology for Year 7 & 8 at Pukekohe Intermediate. Children <u>must be at school</u> by 8.45a.m. Shoes compulsory.
- Fri 19 Feb—School Assembly—2.15p.m.
- Fri 19 Feb—BOT Family BBQ & Swim

Thank You to:

All who managed to join us for our first school assembly last Friday.

Congratulations to:

The following children who received certificates at our first school assembly: Rm1—Dylan, Jayda, Connor, Kayla, Rm2—Charlize, Taine, Liam, Mason, Rm3—Jack, Jorja, Mia, Isobel, Rm 4—Zac, Abby, Reeko, Meg, Rm5—Lucy, Ben, Emerson, Georgia, Cooper, Rm 6—Connor, Blake, Caleb, Grace, Jo, Josh, Rm7—Brooke, Michelle, Trent, Zion, Rm8—Kody, Quartz-Lee, Rm 9—Lucy, Jesse,

Rm10—Calais, Rocel, Ryan, Kees Principal's Award: Faith—Rm 10 Lion Award: Matthew—Rm 10

School ValueAwards: Tyler & Charlotte—Rm 8
Newsletter Draw: Ashley and Jones families

Did you Know?

All our Year 7 & 8 children attend specialist technology lessons at Pukekohe Intermediate School. Each year depending on the Intermediate's programme, they cover food technology, soft materials or hard materials. They travel on a Ministry funded bus fortnightly on Thursdays and attend for a full morning.

Have a super week Regards Mavis Glasgow (Principal)

Swimming Pool Opening After School

Parents are welcome to supervise their children for a swim in our school pool after school from 3 p.m.—5 p.m. starting tomorrow afternoon. Arrangements must be made with parents if you are going to supervise other children. The key must be collected from Mrs Glasgow or Mrs Mills, with its return at the end of the swim. The last family in the pool are asked to carefully put on the pool covers to keep the pool warm for the next day. Any problems Mrs Glasgow will be on site.

Franklin Primary Schools' Triathlon

This is being held again this year. The date for this is Monday 21 March. We hope lots of children will take part again this year. Online entries must be made quickly as there is the maximum number. Go to www.fultonswimschool.co.nz to register. Mrs Glasgow will be taking lunchtime training sessions starting this Wednesday. After school practices will be notified later.

Dates for Term 1 2016

- 5 Feb—First School Assembly
- 10 Feb—Yr 7/8 Immunisation talks
- 10 Feb—AIMs meeting
- 16 Feb—Parent Meetings/Maori Consultation meeting
- 17 Feb—School Council Meeting
- 18 Feb—First Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Pukekohe Int (fortnightly)
- 19 Feb—School Assembly
- 19 Feb—BOT Family BBQ/Sports evening
- 22 & 26 Feb—EOTC week (Juniors Yrs 1—3)
- 23 Feb—Firewise lessons—senior school
- 24 Feb—Junior Swimming Sports
- 24 Feb—BOT Meeting
- 25 Feb—First Immunisation (Yr 7/8)
- 1 March—Senior Swimming sports
- 1—4 March—ERO visit
- 4 March—North Group Swimming Yr 6 & Below
- 4 March—School Assembly
- 8 March—North Group Swimming—Yr 7 & 8
- 9 March—Bible in Schools programme starts
- 14 March—Photolife photos
- 15 March—PTA, AGM
- 15 March—Franklin Swimming—Yr 7/8
- 17 March—Franklin Swimming—Yr 6 & Below
- 18 March—School Assembly
- 21 March—Franklin Triathlon
- 23 March—BOT Meeting
- 25-29 March—Easter Break
- 30 March—Auckland Yr 7 & 8 Swimming
- 31 March/1 April— Senior school Orienteering
- 1 April—School Assembly
- 2 April—Franklin Multi-cultural festival
- 8 April—Franklin Padder Tennis
- 15 April—School Assembly
- 15 April —Final day of Term 1

These dates are also on our website

Class Parent Meetings Tuesday 16 February

We **invite** and encourage parents to attend class meetings where you can meet the teachers, discuss routines and expectations and ask questions of class programmes, etc. Teachers will repeat the sessions twice which will allow parents with more than one child to attend each class meeting. The first session will begin at 3.10 p.m., the second at 3.30 p.m. in each classroom. If you then require an individual meeting you can arrange this with the teacher concerned for later in the week.

Maori Consultation Meeting

There will be a consultation meeting after the class parent meetings on Tuesday 16 February at 3.45p.m. for parents of Maori students. Our 2015 results will be discussed and the draft charter/strategic plan and the target for 2016. Please try to make this meeting so that your views can be considered in the final document. If you are unable to make this meeting please contact the Principal and offer your views.

Community Notices

SEASONS PROGRAMME

Seasons is a Programme for young people aged 6-18yrs with changes or challenges in their lives, dealing with difficult circumstances, death or separation. A Seasons Parent Group and Adult Bereavement Group is also available. The After School Programme begins on 11th of February, 2016, so if you would like more information or to enrol please contact Marisa on 021 142 5812, Deb on (09) 238 7375, or email us at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. More information can be found at www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/ Seasons

BUCKLAND NETBALL CLUB 2016

New Executive Committee

President: Andrea Williams Treasurer: Lucy Wymer

Secretary: Aimee Irvine (chris_aimee@hotmail.com)

Junior Programme

Yr2/3 players who are 7yrs on the 1st May 2016 can play this season.

Games are on Friday nights. If interested please email

New & Existing Players - (Year 8 and below) Meet Aimee in front of Room 2 after school Thursday to register.

ONEWHERO PUKEKOHE HOCKEY Senior & Junior Muster

Turf 2, Rosa Birch Park, 66 Beresford Street, Pukekohe Saturday 13 February from 3pm (Fun Day & BBQ) & Tuesday 16 February from 6.30pm Or register at www.ophc.co.nz All levels of players welcome

MARAMARUA GOLF CLUB GOLF FOR JUNIORS

Saturday 13 February—1.30-3.00pm Coaches: Kaye Maxwell & Kevin Kretschmar \$5.00 per child / clubs available if you don't have any To Register phone 232 5738 or 232 5702

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