DTA BUCKLAND SCHOOL Term 2 **NEWSLETTER** 2017

Welcome to the first newsletter of the newly formed PTA. We are excited to be able to work along side the Ag Day committee, combined we hope to make this Ag Day the best one yet. The new executive members are Debbie Lobb who is our President, Jo Wood is our Treasurer and Philippa Wensor is our secretary, along with many other mums and dads who make up our amazing PTA. So far this year we have donated a new drinking fountain which is located next to the school field. It was requested by the school student council, the children said there were often long queues while they all waited for the drinking fountain. The PTA thought their request of a second drinking fountain was a fantastic idea and we feel very proud to have donated them a new one. We have subsidised your children's dance lessons, mathletics, young leaders day, all camps including EOTC week making them more affordable for you. We are also purchasing a new BBQ for the school which will be used for many future school social events.

Ag day this year will be held on the **30th September**. All money raised from this year's Ag Day will go towards a new shade canopy for outside rooms 2/3 and Kea. For new families, Ag Day is a country school tradition going back many decades. There are lots of special projects the children undertake such as art displays, flower crafts, baking and of course raising and training animals. It is a cherished day for the children and it is our school's major yearly fundraiser that benefits every child at the school. To make this day a success we need every family to contribute.

We would love for you to join the PTA, if you are interested in joining us we meet every third week of every term, our next meeting will be on the 8th August at 7pm in the staffroom. Come and join us for a cuppa and share your ideas.

Happy to help But meetings are not your thing?

The PTA support team is for those who cant or would rather not come to our meetings but would like to help out with other jobs as needed. These might include collecting donated prizes, helping to set up tents before or after Ag day has finished, doing extra baking etc. We have a small pool of these invaluable helpers but we'd like to make it bigger!

Many hands make light work



Friday 7th July – Movie Character theme Keep an eye out for the school newsletter for more information. This Disco is for all Buckland school students

and their families. Children aged 0-7 years old MUST be accompanied by an adult. Please pick up your children from inside the hall, they will not be allowed to wait outside for you. All ages welcome, drinks, pizza and other goodies available

Disco helpers please

If you are bringing your kids to the disco, how about giving us a hand to sell food and drinks or being a bouncer while you are here. We also need a few pairs of hands to help clean afterwards. Please txt or call Karen on 021527365

Sponsorship

\$100 Sponsors – Your company sign is displayed on Ag Day.
Please contact Emma Clooney at gremma@actrix.co.nz
\$50 Pony Poo – Sponsor one of 70 squares, your sponsored square is on sold at Ag Day and the winner receives \$150
Please contact Mary Vernon at horsefreight@xtra.co.nz

Grocery raffle tickets

These will be sent home week 3 of July. Each family will receive 2 books of 10 tickets to sell. Each ticket sells for \$2. If you would like more books please call or txt Alicia 021405666 or Deborah 0274106515. Remember there will be ride and food vouchers up for grabs to the families who sell the most tickets.

IT'S MYSTERY BOTTLE TIME!!

We require all families to donate at least one adult and one children's bottle for our very popular mystery bottle stall. Each year this stall sells out so if you are able to donate more than one each that would be much appreciated. All bottles are wrapped and are sold for adults \$4 each (over 18s only) and \$2 for children's bottles. Bottles can include wine, gourmet sauces, body lotion, bubble bath, lollies, anything that will fit into a bottle. We will start collecting adults bottles at the end of term 2. Please take your bottles to Glenis in the office.





JNR SCHOOL PARENTS WE NEED YOU

Ag Day is a huge team effort we absolutely rely on parent support to make this great fun day happen. Each year we lose families and their Ag Day experience when their children leave our school. We are asking prior/new school families to step up and take on some of these jobs (little or large) as well as some stall holder roles which will become vacant next year. If you are a new parent or family to the school or would just like to become involved please contact Sigi

Ag Day Roster

All of our school families are required to fill at least one 45min roster timeslot helping out on a stall at Ag Day its easy, fun and a great way to meet other school parents. The new roster will be coming out a few weeks prior to Ag Day, so keep an eye on the school newsletter and put your name down on your favourite stall to help. We are also looking for a 2IC to help with the raffles and a 2IC for the Ag Day Coordinator, for more information please contact Sigi

Colouring Competition

Your child will receive a colouring completion which will be sent home at the end of term 2. They are to be done during the school holidays and will need to be handed in by the end of the first week of term 3. They will then be distributed all over town, so encourage your children to get creative there are some awesome prizes up for grabs for the best pictures from each classroom. A printable copy will also be available on the school website



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