

# Buckland School BoT Newsletter

Term 1 2019

**Congratulations** to our students and staff on a great start to the year. This term has already been action packed with swimming events, junior EOTC, triathlons, IT club, art club, Kapa Haka, technology starting for our year 7 & 8's and Bible lessons. And there's a lot more coming: Multicultural Festival, orienteering, rippa rugby, Food for thought, parent information afternoons.

Many thanks to those who attended the BoT BBQ and meet the teacher sessions. We hope you enjoyed and valued the opportunity to learn more about your child's classroom and meet our BoT members and enjoy our school pool.

Many thanks to our dedicated staff who have put in hours of preparation and planning for all the events and activities and classroom programmes this term.

## Sun Safety

The BoT has decided to update the Sun Protection Policy. Students must wear a rash shirt for lunchtime swims and ideally for all swimming lessons. This will become compulsory in Term 4. Many thanks for those who have donated shirts and students for supporting this decision



## School Term Dates:

Term 1 Wed 30 Jan – Fri 12 April  
Term 2: Mon 29 April – Fri 5 July  
Term 3: Mon 22 July – Fri 26 September  
Ag Day—Saturday 28 September  
Term 4: Mon 14 October – Fri 13 Dec

## Camps have been confirmed for 2019

Year 3 & 4's 29-30 April  
Year 5's 21-23 Oct  
Year 6 & 7's 25-29 Nov  
Year 8's 16-20 Sept tbc



## Safety at the School gate

We **must** ensure the safety of all our children at the school gates. The crossing must be used before and after school by parents and students. Many thanks to our volunteer parents who run The Walking School bus. We have had a number of complaints from our school neighbours regarding parking around the school. Please be considerate of our neighbours driveways. The BoT is discussing all our options with the Police and Auckland Transport.

## Property Update

Planning for reroofing of the library and some classrooms is underway and expected later in the year.

## BoT Elections

The BoT is responsible for the governance of the school and for setting the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, staff and students, and for ensuring that its school provides a safe environment and quality education for all its students. Trustees are elected by the parent community and staff members.

Elections are due to be held in June this year. All parents have the opportunity to vote, letters will be sent out later in the year.

**Nominations are due in May.** This is an important role and needs committed people with a range of skills and experiences to be involved with our school. Contributing to the school as a BoT member can be hugely rewarding and fulfilling. Members of the school community are welcome to attend our monthly meetings and anyone who is interested in standing for the election in May is encouraged to attend. If you are interested please speak to the Principal or a BoT member.

**BoT meetings** are all held in the school Board room

April 10<sup>th</sup> 6pm

May 22<sup>nd</sup> 6pm

June 26<sup>th</sup> 6pm



**We would like to invite parents to a evening to find out more about the BoT role on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7pm in the school library.**

## Complaints Policy

Please see our school website for the concerns and complaints policy and procedures. The procedures differ depending on the complaint or concern so these must be followed correctly.

Hannah McCarthy, Darryl Goldsack, Liz Roozendaal, Andrew Tautari, Dave Honiss, Mavis Glasgow, Lisa Robertson