

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.

Week 5 Term 1 2020

2 March 2020

Dear Parents and Community Members Tena Koutou

- Welcome to our student Salwa and her family. We hope that your association with the school will be a happy and rewarding one. And welcome back to Tyler and his family.
- Year 1 & 2 EOTC Activity Week— Our Year 1 and 2 teachers have a full week of outside the classroom activities planned for students starting with a trip to the Botanical Gardens today. A family dinner is organised for Thursday evening and a trip to the Wave Pools on Friday. If you as a parent offered to assist with any activities please accept this as notification that your help is wanted. A message was also sent out on the Skool App on Friday. There will be a short information meeting prior to the trips at 8.30a.m. in Titipounamu. If your child will not be at school on the day of the school trip please advise the office before 8.30am of your child's absence.
- Charter/Strategic Plan—This is available for parent perusal. Please request an electronic copy from the Principal if you are interested and wish to comment on this.
- Teacher Only Day—Prior Notice
 The Board of Trustees have identified
 Thursday 9 April as a teacher only
 day as part of the teacher collective
 agreement. Term 1 will now finish on
 Wednesday the 8 April for students.
- Out of Zone Enrolments for 2020—The Board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children in 2020. Enrolment at Buckland School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our website Application forms for out of zone enrolments are available from the office and school website and must be received by 17 March 2020. Ballot date is 19 March.
- After School Swims for families 3 -5p.m. Parents please inform the office that you wish to use the pool prior to lunchtime so the covers are left off. Rules for using the pool are on the wall of the changing room. No running around the pool or along the sides! These must be adhered to, to ensure the safety of all. Please put

covers on carefully and lock gate. Return the key to Mrs Glasgow after use.

- School Photos—forms for school photos were sent home last week. Orders need to be returned by Tuesday 10 March to the locked drawer in the office foyer. For families who would like sibling photos—envelopes are available from the noticeboard in the office foyer.
- Kelly Club After School Care—This week's theme: Staff Choice! (See school website for each day's activities.)
- Swimming Sports—Congratulations to all students for your participation and enthusiasm during our school swimming events last week. Students who have been selected for the North Group events: tomorrow— Tuesday (Yr 7 & 8) and Friday (Yr 6 & below) have been notified with a separate note. Many thanks to parents who assisted with time keeping—your help was appreciated.
- Bible in School Start—Our Bible in Schools programme will start on Wed 11 March from 10.30—11.00 a.m. If you have not indicated on enrolment or previously discussed this with the principal and wish to withdraw your child/children from this programme please see Mrs Glasgow prior to next week.
- Confirmed Dates for Camps: Yr 3 & 4—Mon 18 & Tues 19 May Lakewood Lodge Yr 6 & 7—31 August—4 September—Kawau Island (Yr 5—we are looking into the possibility of two nights also at Kawau Island). Yr 8—a meeting will be held shortly to get parent feedback.
- Rethink NZ Fundraising Activity for Years 3—8 (if interested) Mrs Clooney has offered to organise the following fundraising activity for Year 3—8 to assist them with camp fees. A letter and order form will be coming home today: Rethink products are environmentally conscious and easily incorporated into your busy everyday lifestyle. Rethink NZ has kindly offered to supply the school with a variety of their products at a discounted rate with the difference of the retail price being able to put towards your child's

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School Camp cost for each item sold . All orders and money MUST be in by Friday 22nd March.

 Parking Wardens will be out in force on a regular basis to monitor parking behaviour on yellow lines, out front of school and around George Crescent.

Influenza-Like Illness

Now is a good time to remind all about the things you can do to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus. Below are suggestions from the ARPHS to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus:

- Stay at home and away from others if you are sick
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Put used tissues in a rubbish bin
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth—germs spread that way
- Be careful to wash hands often with soap and dry them thoroughly—hand hygiene is critical: even when you start to feel better there is still a risk of infecting others, so keep to the 20/20 rule—20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying.
- Keep surfaces clean at home, school and work.

I suggest you go over these with your children and family members.

Congratulations to:

 The following students who received school awards at last week's assembly: **Piwakawaka:** Bridie, Coby, Lorelai, Samuel,

Titipounamu: Robert, Jak, Isla-Mae, Aria, Ruru: Khloe, Kiera, Nate, Layla, Tui: Keira, Anders, Mason, Dana, Kakapo: Zac, McKenna, Miela, Olivia, Kereru: Devon, Melinda, Valentina, Braxton, Takahe: Connor, Zac, Levi, Avaleigh, Karearea: Rikki-Lee, Aiyanna, Zack, Weka: Donald, Felix, Ellie, Elandri, Kea: Toby, Chase, Caitlin, Jemma

Principal's Award: Zack in Karearea

Lion Award: Zion & Tadhg in Kea School Values Awards: Grace & Sophie in Kea

Congratulations to:

 The following students who received Gold Mathletics Certificates at last week's assembly: Kea: Toby, Weka: Lachlan, Meg, Kereru: Cayden, Devon, Harry, Allison, Corbin, Kakapo: Shaye, Jason, Milly, Tui: Isaac, Ruru: Milo Top Mathlete: Isaac in Tui Top Mathletics Classes: Kereru &

Ruru

Thanks to:

- Parents who attended the swimming events last week and supported all students.
- Parents and whanau who attended the school assembly.

Defibrillator

A reminder that the PTA and Z Service Station purchased a defibrillator for the community to use last year. It is on the front wall of the office. Please remind our local community that it is there to use if an emergency arises.



Events for This Week

- Mon 2 March—Jump Jam
- Mon 2 March—Yr 1 & 2 trip to Botanical Gardens
- Tues 3 March—Breakfast Club
- Tues 3 March—Seasons Group
- Tues 3 March—North Yr 7 & 8 Swimming (selected students)
- Wed 4 March—Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- Thurs 5 March- Breakfast Club
- Thurs 5 March—Yr 1 & 2 Whanau dinner
- Fri 6 March—Year 1 & 2 Wave Pool trip
- Fri 6 March—North Group Yr 6 & Below swimming (selected students)

Events for Next Week

- Mon 9 March—Jump Jam
- Tues 10 March—Breakfast Club
- Tues 10 March—Franklin Swimming—Yr 7 & 8
- Tues 10 March—Little School to Big School event (Piwakawaka)
- Wed 11 March—Bible in Schools start
- Thurs 12 March—Breakfast Club
- Thurs 12 March—Photolife photos
- Fri 13 March—School Assembly

Community Notices

AUSTRALIA BUSHFIRE RELIEF VARIETY CONCERT

Hawkins Theatre 13 Ray Small Drive, Papakura Saturday 7 March—7 to 10pm Sunday 8 March—2 to 5pm Tickets– Adults \$20.50, Seniors & Children \$15.38 Available from 0800 BUYTIX (289 849)

TOTS TO TEENS DIGITAL MAGAZINE—the latest edition of Tots to Teens magazine can be found at http://issue2002a.totstoteens.co.nz

Adventure Mice - A Share-Care Pet Experience & Introduction to Pet Ownership for Children

Let your kids discover the classic Kiwi experience of caring for mice with a short or long-term meaningful learning experience that enhances empathy, nurture, responsibility and creativity and adds to colourful childhood memories.

\$9.50/week includes two young female mice, their cage and all accessories plus 250g of premium mouse food.

PLUS \$2 per week is donated back to the school

Share-care is all the benefits of pet ownership with lifetime responsibility. You can return the mice any and take holidays in our free mousery. We sell mice

Harry McQueen (9) from Ramarama School is the main carer, cage designer and organiser of Adventure Mice. Contact us through Facebook to find out more





Coronia Virus—Current Status

The first case of COVID-19 is now confirmed in New Zealand, however the likelihood of a widespread outbreak is low-moderate. The Ministry of Health's expert advisory group has updated list of countries or territories of concern (as at 28 February 2020); Category 1

- Mainland China
- Iran.
- Category 2
- Hong Kong
- Italy
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Singapore
- Thailand

Anyone who has visited those countries in the previous 14 days who develops symptoms of fever, cough or shortness of breath should seek medical advice by first phoning Healthline's dedicated COVID-19 number <u>0800 358 5453</u> or contacting their GP by phoning ahead of their visit.

For COVID-19 health advice and information, contact the Healthline team (for free) on <u>0800 358 5453</u> or <u>+64 9</u> <u>358 5453</u> for international SIMS, or <u>see</u> the latest health advice on the Ministry of Health website

Temporary restrictions on travel remain in place as a precautionary measure to protect against the spread of the Novel coronavirus COVID-19. Keep updated on travel restrictions through the New Zealand Immigration website: <u>Immigration New Zealand COVID-19</u>

(novel coronavirus) response