



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 2 Term 3

2 August 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

◆ **Thank you for the support with settling children back into school routines.**

◆ **School Values: Respect—Kia u, Responsibility—Kia manawanui, Resilience—Kia mau**

◆ **Blessings of our Values Signs—**
This was a special event for the school. We thank our Kaumatua Mr Graham and those parents who attended for your support. Mr Graham also blessed our new Learning Support office with Casey-Leigh's assistance.



◆ **Simulated Lockdown—**Children and staff handled the lockdown well. This is a yearly practice. Hopefully we don't have to use this for an emergency but it is better to be prepared than not.

◆ **Cross Country Training—**Children have begun training for cross country at the beginning of this term. Please ask your child which day they will require a change of clothes and shoes for this training.

◆ **Meeting for Year 6 pupils' Parents—**We know that at this time you will be considering options for your child for their intermediate years therefore we will hold a meeting tomorrow night **Tuesday 3 August at 6 p.m. in Kea room.** Please be informed and give us the opportunity to outline the programmes that Buckland School provides for students during their intermediate years before making your decision for them. Formal invitations were sent last week to parents of Year 6 students. Year 5 parents are also welcome.

◆ **Class Indoor Exhibits for Agricultural Day and the Agricultural Day Project—**You will have received (or will this week) a newsletter from your child's teacher outlining the activities for this year's Agricultural Day. Please keep this handy for later in the term. Any queries please contact your child's teacher through email. The project outline for Year 4—8 students not having animals is also available on our website under Agricultural Day.

◆ **Attendance—It is vitally important that your child attends school on all days that they are well. It is considered that anything over 5 days (10 1/2 days) per term as irregular attendance. See below from our Term 1 Attendance report:**

'Regular' attendance is defined for statistical purposes as 90% or higher. However, Ministry of Education analysis shows every day has a cumulative impact on a child's learning and there is no 'safe' level of non-attendance.

Every day matters.

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◆ **Gymnastics Notice—**Every child will be bringing home a gymnastics notice outlining the arrangements for the whole school to participate in 3 gymnastics sessions. To help with costs the school will fund the buses and subsidise the cost of the lessons. Please ask your child for the notice.

◆ **Dates for the Term—**These were in last week's newsletter and are also on our website and in the Skool loop app calendar. Each week's and the following week's events will also be in the newsletter and on the front page of the website. Any changes necessary will be notified through the newsletter. Reminders will also be sent through the Skool loop app at times.

Congratulations to:

◆ The following students who received certificates at last week's assembly:
Titipounamu: Toby, Caleb, William, Milly, Cheryl, Kayley, **Piwakawaka:** Brock, Isla, Joey, Ollie, **Ruru:** Hazel, Mason, Nate, Jack, **Tui:** Coby, Temprance, Cayden, Shaye, **Kakapo:** Keira, Karaya, Tristan, Braxton, **Takahe:** Melissa, Damien, Kiriana, Shylah, **Karearea:** Dana, Flynn W, Charli, Leo, **Weka:** Connor, Mason, Delilah, Olivia, **Kea:** Meg, Jorja, Noah, Chrystal
Principal's Award: Jorja and Anika in Kea

Lion Award: Thomas in Kea
School Values Awards: Lorelai in Ruru and Charlotte in Karearea

◆ The following students who received Gold Athletics Certificates at last week's assembly: **Takahe:** Toby, Wade, **Kakapo:** Corbin, Eden, **Tui:** Anders, **Ruru:** Jessica, Riley, Otis, **Piwakawaka:** Harris

Top Mathletes: Charley and Indy in Karearea

Top Athletics Class: Kakapo

Thank You to:

◆ Parents and whanau who attended last week's first school assembly.

Community Notices

◆ **REMINDERS: CHANGE OF**

CLOTHES—Children are asked to bring a change of clothes if they are going to play on the field this term. This is to help with protecting uniforms, carpets and furniture. Please name these items of clothing so they can be returned if lost.

◆ **SPORTS UNIFORM—All** children representing the school in sports events **must** have **blue** shorts. School T-Shirts will be provided for each event and must be returned once washed please.

◆ **JEWELLERY**—Should not be worn (unless of cultural significance and permission obtained).

◆ **LONG HAIR** - Students with long hair are asked to keep this tied up.

Events for This Week

- Mon 2 Aug – Franklin Yr 5 & 6
- Tues 3 Aug—Breakfast Club
- Tues 3 Aug—Basketball Lessons
- Tues 3 Aug—6 p.m. Meeting for parents re Year 7 & 8 programmes
- Wed 4 Aug – Franklin Yr 3 & 4 Netball
- Thurs 5 Aug—Franklin Yr 7 & 8 Netball
- Thurs 5 Aug—Jump Jam
- Fri 6 Aug—Breakfast Club

Events for Next Week

- Tues 10 Aug—Basketball Lessons
- Wed 11 Aug—Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- Wed 11 Aug—School Assembly—2.25p.m.
- Thurs 12 Aug—PTA—Mystery Bottle Casual Dress Day
- Thurs 12 Aug—School Cross Country—Yrs 0-2 11.30am starting with Yr 0, Yrs 3-8 1.45pm starting with Yr 7 & 8
- Fri 13 Aug—Fear Factor Selected students—Yr 7 & 8

House to Rent—Needed Urgently

Preferably a 3 bedroom house that has parking for 2 cars and maybe a boat

If you know of anyone who is able to help please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Seasons For Growth is a grief and loss Programme for children, and helps them deal with the challenges of change in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death or other major family changes. The next after-school programme starts on Thursday 5th of August 4pm-5pm at St Andrews Church hall in Pukekohe. A Parent Programme is also running at the same time. An Adult Programme is also available starting soon. The Programmes run for 6-8 weeks during term time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton on 021 142 5812, office on 238 7228, or contact me at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info please go to www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons

The FLASH BANG SCIENCE Club is running in Pukekohe for Term 3! We offer a 6-week science course for 7–12 year olds covering all aspects of STEM. This course will commence on Thursday's from 26 August to 30 September 2021, 3.30-5pm in Franklin Art Centre, Massey Avenue, Pukekohe (same building as Pukekohe library). For more information or to book please check out: <http://www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz/>, email: admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz or phone: 0297 712 923. Bookings are essential as places are limited