



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

Week 10 Term 3

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27 September 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **As we go into our final week of Term 3, I want to thank you all for your efforts with supporting your children with their learning activities.** I know how difficult this is when juggling your work and home commitments as well. Teachers appreciate the time you have spent giving children some wonderful learning activities that have enriched their lockdown experience. We also want to thank parents for the lovely messages of support and caring of us and our families, that we have received.
- ◆ **Our next notification of a possible Alert Level change is on Monday 4 October.** Once we know this (and if it is Level 2) I will put up the Health & Safety guidelines for the school on our website in the Covid folder. (Level 3 is in there already.)
- ◆ **Our next Newsletter will be on Monday 11 October** (middle Monday of the holidays.) This will give me an opportunity to outline any/all requirements for a return to school after the holidays (hopefully.)
- ◆ **Agricultural Day** — The Board decided at last week's meeting that we want to give children who have raised animals every opportunity to show their animals. If we are at Alert Level 2 by 16 October we will hold a modified Agricultural Day for children with animals only. Depending on Alert Level 2 numbers there will be restrictions on the number of family members that will be admitted and strict protocols will be in place. Should this take place, parents of children who have animals will receive separate communication through email and a time that you will be required to enter the school. We know that there is added cost in keeping animals for a further two weeks so if you would prefer that your child/children do not show their animals just let Mrs Mills or Mrs Glasgow know. (We will however, acknowledge the work these children have done at a later time.)
- ◆ **Franklin Group Day**—Unfortunately for the second year in a row this has had to be cancelled.
- ◆ **PTA Raffle books**—It is important that we get all of these back. If you are passing the school Tuesday—Friday this week between the hours 8.30a.m.—3.15p.m. would you please drop raffle books into the locked cabinet that will be at the office gate. Payment can be deposited into the

School's ASB bank account:
12-3023-0660531-01

Please ensure that you code the amount to PTA raffle. At this stage we hope to draw the raffle on 5th November. If you can't get books back this week please keep them in a safe place so they can be returned during the first week back at school.

- ◆ **Board Newsletter**—A Board newsletter is attached to this email.
- ◆ **Board Survey Monkey Survey** Following is the link to the 2021 Survey. Please take 10—15 minutes to give the Board your views on the questions asked to assist us in planning for the future.
Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YBVYPSD>

Once you have completed the survey please email GMills@buckland.school to go into the draw for two \$50.00 grocery vouchers.

- ◆ **School Devices and books**—A large number of these have been given out over the term. Please keep these safe over the holidays and return them on the first day back. Our reading boxes and device storage systems are very depleted.
- ◆ **Sports and School Events**—Until further notice all sport and school events will be suspended.
- ◆ **School Holidays—4—15 October.**
- ◆ **A reminder our school site is closed to all except the children in the bubble.** There is no access to school sites during Alert Level 3. Playgrounds (including public playgrounds) are also closed to reduce the risk of the virus spreading.

Congratulations to:

- **The following students who have obtained Gold Mathletic certificates from 20—26 September:** Toby in Titipounamu, Zoe in Ruru.
- All students who are working hard on their learning activities that teachers are providing on Choice Boards (Yr1—2 & Google Classrooms (Yr 3—8)
- Parents and whanau who have done an outstanding job in supporting your children with their on-line and At Home learning.



Well-Being Resources

If you are worried about the well-being of your children please contact us. We have resources and resource people available who can contact you and offer support.

I have also put up resources on our school website: www.buckland.school.nz in the Covid 19 folder which the Ministry of Education compiled last year that you may find useful.

Thank You to:

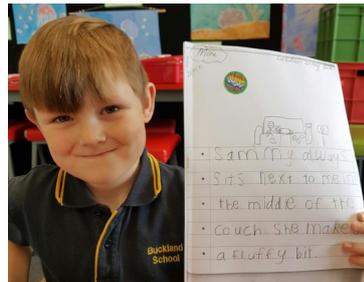
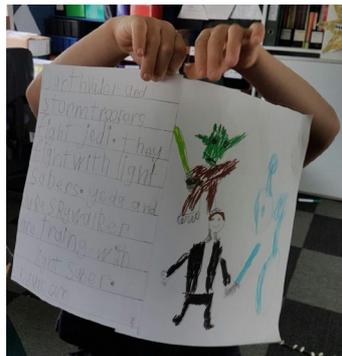
- ◆ Board members for attending last week's Board meeting.
- ◆ All parents and whanau who have contributed to school activities over Term 3.
- ◆ All our Essential workers who are providing services to keep us safe and well provided for.
- ◆ Teachers who are working in the school bubble.
- ◆ Teachers for the learning activities and support you have provided over the term.
- ◆ Parents who have been sending in photos of your children that I have been able to use for the newsletter.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Have a wonderful holiday break. Hopefully we will all be able to be back at school on Monday 18 October.

*Kia Kaha
Kindest Regards
Mavis Glasgow
Principal*





Lockdown Learning is Fun