



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 9 Term 4 2022

Monday 12 December 2022

Dear Parents and Community Members

Tena Koutou.

- ◆ *As the year comes to a close I would like to thank all parents and community members for the wonderful support Buckland School has received over the year. Staff and pupils have appreciated your involvement and support with the education of our children. We wish you all a very **Merry Christmas** and a safe and **Happy New Year**.*
- ◆ *To Mrs Twomey, Mrs Gerritsen and Miss Pyne who will be leaving us this year and have been valuable members of the teaching staff, our thanks for the efforts and contributions you have made to the school. We wish you well in your new endeavours.*
- ◆ *To all our teaching and support staff, thank you for your efforts and commitment over another, at times, challenging year.*
- ◆ *To our Year 8 pupils: We thank you all for your contributions to the school and wish you all the very best in the future. May the lessons that you have learned at Buckland School help you as you start out on your new journey. We hope you leave with fond memories of the school.*
- ◆ *With the leaving of the Year 8's we lose the following families who have been involved with the school for many years and have had their children at Buckland School until Year 8: Clooney,*

Neate, Hyde, Henwood, Purcell, Mundy, Wensor, Hepburn, Dennis, Entwistle Islip. Thank you for the loyalty to the school, the many contributions you have made over your time of association with the school and the privilege of seeing your children grow into fine young adults.

- ◆ *To other children and their families who are also leaving us, thank you also for the contributions you have made. All the best for your new schools.*
- ◆ **Books**—If you still have any Library Books/Reading books—please drop these off at school. We did a stocktake last Friday and are missing a large number of library and reading books.
- ◆ **Bring Your Own Devices**—Year 3—8 are welcome to have their own chromebook at school again next year. If one of these are on your Christmas list for your children our IT teachers, Ms Shore & Mrs Goldsack are happy to set these up on the school system next year.
- ◆ **Prizegivings—This Thursday 15 December. Year 0—2: 1 p.m. Yr 3—8: 6 p.m.** We hope to be able to hold these outside so that all parents and children can be involved, however if the weather doesn't allow this we will make alternative arrangements in classrooms. Please watch out for a message on our website and Skool Loop App if there are changes to initial arrangements.
- ◆ **Reports**—These will come home with your eldest child today; Monday. You will notice that attendance has been put into a percentage this year. For your information **92% or above** attendance is considered regular. Thank you to teachers for the countless hours spent on preparing children's reports. We hope you find them valuable.
- ◆ **Classes for next year** - We are holding transition meetings for 2023 in classes tomorrow. Staff have spent

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considerable time in formulating these classes and have considered academic, social and friendship placings as well as a spread of numbers in each class.

◆ Board newsletter is attached

- ◆ **2023 PTA Executive**—There will be vacancies in the PTA for President, and Treasurer next year. Please consider whether you can fill either of these positions. There will be a meeting early in the year.

Thank You to:

- ◆ All those who attended the Year 8 Graduation Dinner. A special thanks to Mr & Mrs King for cooking the BBQ, staff who assisted with decorations and clean up and to parents for the salads and desserts. It was great to be able to celebrate and farewell our Year 8s.
- ◆ PTA for your donation of funds for class consumables, contributions and financial support of several school events including Life Education lessons for the full school, sunscreen, Graduation dinner, etc, which have assisted families and the school.
- ◆ Deb Collins for running the uniform shop over the year.
- ◆ The Board for your work over the year.
- ◆ All children for their efforts and achievements over the year.

Events This Week

- Wed 14 Dec— School Board Meeting
- Thurs 15 Dec—1.00 p.m. Prizegiving for Yr 0—2 children
- Thurs 15 Dec—6 p.m. Prizegiving for Yr 3—8 children.
- Fri 16 December—Final Day. Assembly at 12.45p.m. **School finishes at 1 p.m.**

Prior Notices 2023

- ◆ School begins again on **Wednesday 1 February at 8.55a.m.** and we hope to welcome all children back.
- ◆ Teachers will be involved in Teacher Only days prior to the start of school for children.
- ◆ Stationery and uniform will be available to purchase on Thursday 26 & Friday 27 January between 9am and 12 noon. Prepaid stationery orders can also be collected at this time.

♦ **Care for School Over the Holidays**—If you notice any problems at the school please phone either the police, &/or Board Members. If your children are playing in the school grounds please ensure they are supervised as we have a building project taking place and vehicles will be coming and going. Our school is a SelectaDNA school and all electrical equipment has been marked. Police and security will also be making regular checks.

I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and holiday break

Mavis Glasgow
Principal

Book Fair

The Book Fair is open for parents to shop on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3.30pm. No unaccompanied children are allowed at these times. Children are able to shop at lunch time.

Community Notices

PIANO/KEYBOARD LESSONS. 2023

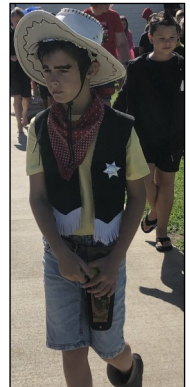
A limited amount of vacancies have become available for music tuition here at school in 2023. For more information please contact Carol . Mobile 0274541718 or email; carol21a@xtra.co.nz



Year 7 & 8 Care Day at Rainbows End



Book Week Dress Up Day



Year 8 Graduation Dinner

