

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 2

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Monday 5 May 2025 Dear Parents and Community Members Tena Koutou

- ◆ School Values: Respect—Kia U, Resilience—Kia Manawanui, Responsibility—Kia Mau
- ◆ Mathematics Lessons—As you will be aware we have a revised Mathematics curriculum and an additional resource called 'Maths No Problem' to support the implementation of this. As a staff we trialled this last term and have evaluated the implementation of this. Due to our composite classes we have decided that children will move into year level groups for mathematics. This will only affect the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 groups as other classes are already able to be catered for in year level classes. For these groups and the Yr 7 & 8 classes mathematics will take place for an hour during the first block. If you have any questions please approach your child's teacher or Mrs Glasgow.
- ◆ Parent Portal—The Minister of Education has just announced a new online parent portal. Details to access this and a PDF information sheet are in the newsletter email.
- ◆ Contact Details—If any of your details: address, phone numbers, email address, emergency numbers, have changed, please notify Mrs Mills our executive officer as it is important that we have up-to-date contact details should we need to contact you. Contact can be through a phone call or an email; admin@buckland.school.nz
- Change of Clothes to play on the field—please send along a change of clothes if your child wants to play on any of our fields. They may keep these at school for the week and bring them home for washing at the end of the week if this helps. Our fields get muddy over the winter terms and having a change protects our uniforms and our carpets & furniture.
- ◆ PTA Notices— please see these later in the newsletter.
- ◆ Dates for Camps: Yr 3 & 4 (this term) 12 & 13 May at Lakewood Lodge. Yr 7 & 8—9—13 June—Sports Camp at Camp Adair. Yr 5 & 6—15—17 October at Kauaeranga Valley (Thames). Accounts for Yr 3 & 4 camp came out last week. First notice for Yr 7 & 8 camp went out last term. Please start saving for these. If you would like to start making small payments please see Mrs Mills.
- ◆ Dates for the Term—These were in last week's newsletter and are also on our website.
- ◆ **School Assembly**—Our first school assembly for Term 2 will be this Friday at 2.30p.m. ALL Welcome!
- ◆ Uniform Shop—Are you able to help in the Uniform Shop on Monday mornings from 8.30am to approximately 9.15am. We are in need of another volunteer. Please contact the school office if you are able to help.

Thank you to:

- Mrs Thompson for running our uniform shop.
- Our Launchpad teachers who are running the programme on Wednesdays.

Congratulations to:

- Children who received awards at their team assemblies last week.
- Zara and Kiani's team the "Diamonds" who placed 4th in the world for U16 Level 2 division of cheerleading at The Summit in America.
- Hayley in Ruru and Carter in Takahe who were both player of the day for their Maramarua Rugby Club teams.

Events for This Week

- ⇒ Mon 5 May—Footsteps Sports Skills—Yrs 5-8
- ⇒ Tues 6 May & Fri 9 May—Breakfast Club
- ⇒ Tues 6 May—Kapa Haka leaders to Papakura Int
- ⇒ Wed 7 May—Launchpad & Values lessons
- ⇒ Thurs 8 May—Jump Jam / Fitness
- ⇒ Thurs 8 May—Otago University Maths challenge
- ⇒ Thurs 8 May—Franklin Orienteering (selected Yr 7 & 8)
- ⇒ Thurs 8 May—Enviro Group
- ⇒ Thurs 8 May—Sushi Lunches
- ⇒ Fri 9 May—School Assembly 2.30 p.m. All Welcome (Weather permitting). If assemblies have to be cancelled due to weather, notification will be on the front page of our website by 1.00p.m.

Events for Next Week

- ⇒ Road Safety Week
- ⇒ Mon 12 & Tues 13—Year 3 & 4 Lakewood Lodge camp
- ⇒ Tues 13 & Fri—16 May—Breakfast Club
- \Rightarrow Tues 13 May—Writers Festival (Auckland) selected Yr 7 & 8 students
- ⇒ Wed 14 May—Launchpad/Values programmes
- ⇒ Wed 14 May—Yr 7 & 8 Technology (fortnightly)
- ⇒ Wed 14 May—Auckland Orienteering (selected students)
- ⇒ Thurs 15 May—Jump Jam
- ⇒ Thurs 15 May—Sushi Lunches
- \Rightarrow Thurs 15 May—PTA meeting—6.30p.m. All Welcome
- ⇒ Fri 16 May—Pink Shirt Day (more info next week)
- ⇒ Fri 16 May—Kapa Haka practices
- ⇒ Fri 16 Mav—Team Assemblies

Agricultural Day Chickens—if you would like to order a chicken to rear for this year's Agricultural Day please use the order form in this newsletter. All chickens must be ordered through our school for uniformity of judging. It is best to order more than one chicken to allow for mishaps. Information on rearing chickens from one day old can be found on the school website under Agricultural Day. The cost of each chicken is \$5.50. Orders and money need to be placed in the drawer in the office by Tuesday 20 May. Collection date will be during the last week of term—the date will be emailed once confirmed. Once chickens are ordered you are committed to taking them.

PTA

URGENT! Buckland School PTA Needs a New President!

Love being involved in your child's school? Want to help make a real difference for our students? The Buckland School PTA is looking for a new President — and it could be you! The PTA runs some of the most exciting and rewarding parts of the school year: Ag Day, raffles, disco nights, and ice block days! Last year, Ag Day alone raised over \$30,000—a huge boost for the school, and something to be proud of. Most of the year the role involves just a couple of hours a month, with a bit more in Term 3 as we gear up for Ag Day. You'll be supported by a great team and have the option to share the role with a friend if that works better for you. It's a great way to develop leadership skills, build friendships, and be closely involved in your child's school journey. Interested? Email bucklandpta@outlook.com or message PTA Secretary Alicia on 027 415 2161 before Wednesday 14 May.



YUMMY STICKERS

Please continue to send your Yummy stickers and labels to school. Each year we receive free sports equipment when we send the stickers and labels in to the Yummy Fruit Co.

Sticker and label charts can be found on our website under General Information.



AGRICULTURAL DAY CHICKENS-ORDER FORM (Orders to be in by Friday 31 May 2024

Please supply me with hens at \$5.50 each Total \$ enclosed

Chickens must be collected on the date to be emailed which will be during the last week of this term. (23-27 June)

Name _____ Room _____ Signed _____ (Parent Signature)

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