



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 10 Term 3 2025

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Monday 15 September 2025

Dear Parents and Community Members

Tena Koutou

The excitement is rising for our Agricultural Day! A huge thank you to all who have contributed already, and will continue over this week to put in efforts to make this annual event a success for the school and community. This is a day that we look forward to showcasing our children's work and our school to the wider community.

- ♦ **School Values:** Respect, Resilience, Responsibility
- ♦ **We Welcome** Amelia our new student in Piwakawaka. We hope your association with the school and the school community will be a happy and rewarding one.
- ♦ **Māori Language Week 2025** (Te Wiki o te Reo Māori) will be celebrated from Sunday, September 14 to Saturday, September 20, 2025. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the first Māori Language Week. The theme for 2025 is "Ake ake ake – A forever language".
- ♦ **Ag Day Roster**—we still have gaps on the roster. This year we have **NOT** asked families for school donations, costs towards trips, sports events, or on-line programmes and have been able to subsidise over night camps. All we ask for is **one** hour of your time to help the PTA raise funds for your children and the school. **HELP** to spread the load please.
- ♦ **Map of Activities for Ag Day**—is attached to this newsletter email.
- ♦ **Picket Fence Palings**—These will be displayed and judged in Tui room in class groups. Those children who would like to donate these to the school for display on a fence can leave them in the room at the end of the day.
- ♦ **Group Day**—Calf, lamb and goat Ag Day competitors were emailed an entry form for Group Day last week. Please return entry form and \$7.50 entry fee to the office by 15 October. The Group does not accept late entries.
- ♦ **Lost Property**—The lost property basket in the hall entrance is overflowing with un-named or incorrectly named sweatshirts. If your child is missing and item of clothing please check the basket before the end of this week. There is also footwear and lunch and drink bottles. Property will be taken to charities during the holidays.



*Have a Super Ag Day week and a Great holiday break.
Regards Mavis Glasgow (Principal)*

Help Needed Urgently

The PTA urgently need help to serve and take the money on the BBQ between 12 noon and 1pm. There are four slots left to fill. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

- ♦ **Daylight Saving begins Sunday 28 September at 2 a.m. Clocks go forward.**



Thank you to:

- ♦ All who attended the PTA meeting last week.
- ♦ All who are leading stalls and to those who have committed to a slot or slots on the Agricultural Day roster. We need help from **ALL** families to make this day a success please.
- ♦ Teachers and staff who are putting in countless hours to display art and indoor work and complete other associated jobs.
- ♦ All who have offered to assist with transport and supervision at the Franklin Basketball events this week.
- ♦ School Council members who represented their classes last week.
- ♦ Parents who assisted their children with the fence pickets—they look wonderful. (I'm glad I'm not the judge!)
- ♦ The Staff who have filled more than 30 slots on the Ag Day roster.

Congratulations to:

- ♦ The following students who received awards last week (unfortunately school assembly was unable to take place but we did give out school awards): **Piwakawaka:** Michaela, Brian, Aarav, Lachy, **Titipounamu:** Mac, Quinn, Peihana, Holly, Madison, Harvey, **Ruru:** Gene, Dylan, Sonam, Oliver, **Kereru:** Esmae, Emily, August, Brooke, **Takahe:** Hunter, Marlee, Zara, Max, **Kakapo:** Danika, Lucia, Owen, Jacx, **Karearea:** Marcus, Lorelai, Toby, Baylee, **Weka:** Scarlett-Rose, Mason, Kayley, Jack, **Kea:** George, Anders, Jaxon, Karaya, Wade, Milly, Cadence, Brody
Principal's Awards: Carter in Ruru & Malan in Kea
Lion Award: Elaura-May in Titipounamu
- ♦ The following students who received Athletics certificates last week: **Kea:** Ronan & Milly, **Weka:** Emma, **Karearea:** Jessica, **Kakapo:** Talia, **Takahe:** Jedi, **Kereru:** Destiny, **Ruru:** Carter, **Titipounamu:** Harvey B & Ethan.

School Council Casual Dress Day

This Thursday the School Council is having a casual dress day to raise funds for St John Ambulance. Please dress in anyway you like, or be as Wacky as you like. Bring along a gold coin to donate to St John.

Events for This Week

- ◆ Maori Language Week
- ◆ Mon 15 Sept—Yr 7 & 8 Boys Franklin Basketball
- ◆ Tues 16 Sept—Yr 7 & 8 Girls Franklin Basketball
- ◆ Tues 16 & Thurs 18 Sept—Breakfast Club (note day change)
- ◆ Wed 17 Sept—Launchpad/Values programme.
- ◆ Thurs 18 Sept—School Council Casual Dress day. Gold coin for our charity—St John Ambulance
- ◆ Thurs 18 Sept—Jump Jam /Fitness circuit
- ◆ Thurs 18 Sept—Yr 3 & 4 Franklin Basketball
- ◆ Fri 19 Sept—Indoor Exhibit day—please see class notes. If in doubt please contact your child's teacher.
- ◆ Fri 19 Sept—Set up tents, etc—from 11am on. Any/All help will be appreciated.
- ◆ Fri 19 Sept—Short End of Term/Ag Day Assembly 2.40p.m.
- ◆ Sat 20 Sept—Agricultural Day—Children to meet their teacher outside their classroom a 9 a.m. to mark roll.

Events for Next 2 Weeks

- ◆ Rest and Relaxation—a time to recharge the batteries and do lots of reading and writing. Practice your mathematics basic facts too!
- ◆ School Reopens for Term 4 on Monday 6 October.

Agricultural Day Notices

- * **Timetable For Saturday—Chicken Judging** begins at **9.00am**, **Calf, Lamb & Goat Judging** begins at 9.30am. Judges decide the order of groups on the day. **Classrooms** are open at 11am. No exhibits to be removed until after 12.30pm.
- * **Dogs in Playground—No** dogs are allowed at school on Ag Day.
- * **Security on Ag Day**—Please ensure your cars are locked and valuables are not left unattended.
- * **Trucks are not able to use the school driveway.**
- * **Competitors Numbers**—children who are showing animals need to collect their number from the staffroom before 9am.
- * **Roll Call**—the bell will ring at 9am for children to report to their teachers in front of their classrooms on Saturday.
- * **Casual Dress Day**—children can wear mufti on Ag Day.
- * **No Smoking or Vaping**—Please be aware the school grounds are smoke/vape free areas and smoking and vaping will not be permitted at any time including Agricultural Day.

From the PTA

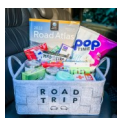
Silent Auctions Available on Ag Day

Some great silent auctions are available.

You will need to sign up for a bid number on the day. Your bid number keeps you anonymous. You can then make a bid on the auction sheet of your choice. Remember to check back throughout the day and place more bids, up until the auction closes at 12pm. Winners of auctions are to pay the winning amount on the day—20 September.

Raffles

Heaps of awesome raffles—\$2 and \$5 a ticket or buy a sheet of tickets for \$20. Drawn on the day at approximately 12.30pm.



Friday Set Up—if you are free on Friday from 11am to help with the multitude of tasks your assistance would be appreciated.

Cake Stall—Two cake trays were sent home with the eldest child in each family last Friday. All baking for the cake stall is much appreciated. Please label, cover and drop off to the school hall this Friday or early on Ag Day morning.

Raffle Books—if you still have raffle books outstanding please return to the office **tomorrow**.

Reusable Bags—don't forget to bring your reusable bags to take your purchases home in.

EFTPOS—will be available in the staffroom on Ag Day.

(Eftpos only-no credit or paywave).



Pre-Sales Available this Week

Ag Day Children's Activities—

Face Painting, Climbing Wall, Bouncy Castle, Obstacle Course/ Scooby Doo, Nail Painting
Tuesday-Friday mornings
Wednesday—Thursday afternoons
\$2 per ticket

On Ag Day tickets will be available in the staffroom.

Pony Poo Presales—Win \$150 if the poo lands on your square! \$5 per ticket. Tickets will be available to buy alongside the pre-sales for rides as well as on the day.



Country Cafe Stall

We are still in need of wonderful volunteers to provide baking for our Country Café stall.

If you can help please phone or text Lucy on 022 043 0142 or PM



AGRICULTURAL DAY ROSTER—RETURN SLIP

Please contact the office if you can help with any of these stalls

Activity	8.00-9.00	9.00-10.00	10.00-11.00	11.00-12.00	12.00-1.00
Vegetable Stall			1 slots	2 slots	1 slot
Seedlings				2 slots	
BBQ Cook					1 slots
Servers/Money Hot Chips & BBQ		1 slot	2 slots	1slots	4 slots
Mussel Fritters Cooking			1 slot	1 slot	
Mussel Fritters Serving		1 slot	1 slot	1 slot	1 slot
Country Cafe			2 slots		2 slots
Mystery Bottles				1 slot	
Lollies/Toy Grab/Grocery Raffle				2 slots	
Lucky Dips			1 Slot		
Lob a Choc					1 slot

Animal Judging: Chickens begin at 9.00am, Calves, Lambs & Goats begin at 9.30am

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Community Notices

PHS Y9 Final Enrolment Evening

Thursday 18 September

Due to high demand, we have decided to host one further enrolment evening for the year. We will be conducting Y8 interviews this coming **Thursday 18 September from 3.30pm to 5.30pm**. Bookings are **essential** (we cannot accommodate walk-ins).

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THE AUCKLAND BRICK SHOW

SEPTEMBER 27
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AUCKLAND NETBALL CENTRE ST JOHNS

Creating pathways for success

Working with communities to provide support and opportunities for those facing challenging circumstances

THRIVING WITH ADHD 2025!

Inspiring Speakers • Spot Prizes • Supper

Don't miss this years event. October 23rd, 7pm.

Uplift Centre, Franklin Road, Pukekohe

More details coming soon

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A MAJOR AND IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EVENT

SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER | 10.00 - 4.00 pm

Sponsored by Auckland Council

Hosted by Buckland Hall

We strongly encourage all members of the community to attend this FREE Family Fun event

Over 20 Exhibitors from ALL over South Auckland!

Real-time emergency events with response teams & equipment in action!

Take part in FREE training opportunities!

Enjoy fun competitions and WIN \$1,000s of PRIZES!

Kid's activities including first aid, competitions and a Pirate Ship Bouncy Castle
FREE REFRESHMENTS

**LEARN | PARTICIPATE | BE AWARE
SEE YOU THERE!**