

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.



Our School Values

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School Times:

8.30a.m.—Children may go to rooms or play

8.50a.m.—Handbell rings

8.55a.m.—School begins

10.10a.m.—Interval

11.35a.m.—Brain Break

12.40p.m.—Lunch break

1.30p.m.—Afternoon Lessons

2.55p.m.—Yr 1—4 finish

3 p.m.—Yr 5—8—finish

Whaanau Teams

See our new signs on the front turf.

Rimu— Green

Kauri— Red

Kowhai— Yellow

Totara— Blue

Monday 23 March 2026

Week 8 Term 1

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou.

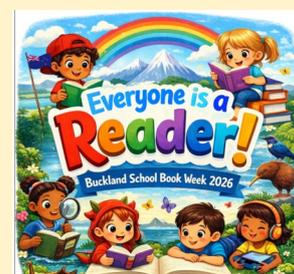
- ◆ **Welcome** to Thivan in Piwakawaka and Lenard in Kereru and their families.
- ◆ **Congratulations** to students who received awards at team assemblies last week.
- ◆ **Congratulations to** our swimmers who represented us and North Group exceptionally well. Results for the Yr 6 & below were: Owen 1st Open Boys Freestyle, 1st 10yr Boys Freestyle, 1st 10yr Boys Backstroke, 1st 10yr Boys Breaststroke, 1st Open Butterfly, Carter 3rd 9yr Boys Freestyle, 5th 9yr Boys Backstroke, Ollie 5th 8yr Boys Freestyle.
- ◆ **Franklin Multicultural Festival** — Our Kapa Haka performed well at the Festival on Saturday and we were very proud of our students. **Many thanks** to whaanau, staff and past students for your support and to Mrs King for training the group.



- ◆ **Thank you to** Board members for attending last week's meeting.
- ◆ **Congratulations** to Ayaan who was runner up in the Islamic Speech Competition.
- ◆ **Reminders—Cellphones & watches with phone capability**—These are not allowed to be used at school during the day. This is legislation. If students need to have a phone for after school the phone must be handed in to the Board room for safe keeping for the day.
 - **Lollies, chocolates, chewing gum**—We are seeing more evidence of these being eaten at school recently. Please do not put these into lunchboxes and discourage students from bringing these to school as they will be confiscated if found.
- ◆ **Lost Property**—We have a large range of lost property. If your child is missing items of clothing/footwear please check the hanger or the boxes in the entrance to the hall. A watch was also handed in on Friday. If you have lost this please see Mrs G.
- ◆ **Attendance: EVERY DAY COUNTS! Please don't complain if you receive an attendance or late message as these are Automated messages and part of the Ministry of Education moves to increase regular attendance.** If children are genuinely sick we mark these as such on the records.

Book Week - 20-24 April

We're celebrating BOOK WEEK at Buckland School earlier this year - in Week 1 of Term 2 (20—24 April). It's going to be an eventful week full of lots of reading, lots of fun, and prizes! We'll be finishing Book Week with a Dress Up Parade and Assembly on the morning of Friday 24th so please start getting book character costumes ready.



Events for This Week

- ⇒ Easter Raffle on sale this week from Wednesday
- ⇒ Tues 24 & Fri 27 March—Breakfast club
- ⇒ Tues 24 March—Orienteering practice (selected students)
- ⇒ Tues 24 March—School Council meeting
- ⇒ Wed 25 March—Launchpad & Values groups
- ⇒ Wed 25 March—World Maths Day
- ⇒ Wed 25 March—Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- ⇒ Wed 25 March—Yr 3 & 4 Ripa Rugby day
- ⇒ Thurs 26 March—Yr 5 & 6 Ripa Rugby day
- ⇒ Thurs 26 March—Sushi lunches
- ⇒ Fri 27 March—School Assembly 2.30p.m.

Events for Next Week

- ⇒ Tues 31 March—Breakfast club
- ⇒ Tues 31 March—Fire Brigade visit
- ⇒ Wed 1 April—Launchpad & Values groups
- ⇒ Thurs 2 April—Jump Jam
- ⇒ Thurs 2 April—Sushi Lunches
- ⇒ Thurs 2 April—Immunisations Yr 7 & 8
- ⇒ Thurs 2 April 2.40p.m.—Short school assembly/PTA Easter raffle draw
- ⇒ Thurs 2 April final day of Term 1

Term 2

- ⇒ Term 2 Begins on Monday 20 April
- ⇒ Book Week—Monday 24 to Friday 24 April
- ⇒ Book Week Dress Up Day—Friday 24 April
- ⇒ ANZAC Day Saturday 25 April

PTA News

Thank you to those who have made donations for our PTA Easter Raffle. We would love to have a lot more as we would like to have 20 draws.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from this Wednesday before and after school in front of Kea Room. Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

The raffle draw will take place at the assembly on the last day of school.



Community Notices

Calling All Year 5's - are you interested in playing netball this year? Our Year 5 team needs a few more players to complete our team. We train on Thursday afternoons 3.30pm at the Pukekohe Netball Courts and will begin playing Saturday morning netball in Pukekohe from 2nd May. If your child is interested in joining the team, please text or call Lauren (027 427 3197) or Vanita (021 591 248).



Pukekohe Football (Soccer) Club have a few spaces left for players in the following age groups:
Girls 10, 11, 12 & 13 years old
Boys 10, 11 & 12 years old
 If your child is interested, please contact our administrator Suzanne-admin@pukekoheafc.com

Seasons For Growth is a grief, loss and change Programme for children dealing with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death, other significant changes. Our Afterschool Programme starts next term on Thursday 30th of April, held in Pukekohe and runs once a week over 8 weeks. An optional Parent Programme also runs at the same time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa on 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or email at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info: www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons.

ENJOY Sushi.



SUSHI LUNCHES EVERY THURSDAY

Details on how to order and the menu are on the school website under School Lunches

YOUNG AT ART

CHILDREN'S AUTUMN HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
 PUKEKOHE

BOOK NOW! PLACES LIMITED

SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION & BOOKINGS
WWW.YOUNGATART.CO.NZ



SUPER SUNDAY

Elm Kids invites you and your whānau to celebrate the end of term with a fun filled Sunday, including bouncy castles, games, live music, a real fruit ice cream truck, and a burger stall.

For kids aged 1-16. No entry fee. Play open 15 mins before each session.

Sunday 29 March, 9am & 11am

Elm Christian Centre
 12 Cape Hill road, Pukekohe
www.elmchristiancentre.org.nz/pukekohecampus

KELLY CLUB APRIL 2026 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
 VALLEY SCHOOL

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE
 (Maximum \$10)

WEEK 1	Mon 6 April	Tues 7 April	Wed 8 April	Thurs 9 April	Fri 10 April
	PUBLIC HOLIDAY Public Holiday Easter Monday!	EGGSTRAVAGANZA Hop along for our Easter Eggstravaganza! Bring your looking eyes for our Great Easter Egg Hunt. Who knows what kind of goodies you may find!	SPLOSH, SPLASH, SPOSH! Let's get out in the sun and water, bank your favourite colour! Be sure to bring a change of clothes and a towel as there is no guarantee they won't throw one back.	THE 5 SENSES Experience the wonders of taste, smell, sound, touch, and sight through fun, discovery, and adventure.	FEE-FI-FO-FUN Fee-fi-fo-fun! Grab board games, giant ball games and giant fun. Are you up for the giant challenge of today?
WEEK 2	Mon 13 April	Tues 14 April	Wed 15 April	Thurs 16 April	Fri 17 April
	FIDGET FRENZY Spin and twist your way through the day! Make your own fidget games, play hula hoop twister and even bake yummy cake!	BOLLYWOOD FUN Step into the colourful world of Bollywood as we dance, craft, cook a yummy potato curry, and play! Enjoy Bollywood beats, colourful crafts, and play Cricket and Hockey.	WHEELS DAY Grab your helmets and get ready for wheels day! Show us your coolest tricks. Have a race to see who is the fastest! No Helmet, No Ride.	KELLY CLUB SURVIVOR Our smart, out-think, out-think. Build a fort, play Capture The Flag and take part in our team challenge!	FOODIE FRIDAY Whip up delicious creations, bake sweet treats, and help us build our very own Kelly Club recipe book full of yummy ideas.

Pricing:
SCHOOL DAY: \$48 FULL DAY: \$58
 8:30am - 3:00pm 7:30am - 5:30pm

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Little Scientists Holiday programmes

5-10 year olds
 Loads of science fun to keep your children busy this April!

- Hillsborough
- Glen Innes
- Massey
- Birkenhead

www.littlescientists.co.nz