



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 1 Term 4 2023

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Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **Welcome back to school for Term 4.** I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday break and that children are healthy, relaxed and ready for a very busy final term of 2023. A special welcome back to Mrs Shore and to Oliver R-B, Mase, Aleina, Oliver M and Marcus our new students and their families. We hope your association with the school and the school community will be a rewarding and enjoyable one.
- ◆ **School Values:** Respect—Kia u, Responsibility—Kia mau, Resilience—Kia manawanui.
- ◆ **Our Agricultural Day**—What a wonderful day we had. **Ag Day was a fabulous opportunity to highlight our school and the work of our students to the wider community.** A HUGE thank you to all parents, community members, local businesses for the **fantastic** support with sponsorship, contributions to the silent auction and raffles, produce and cakes, etc. The day was only possible because of the commitment of our school community and the **countless hours put in by our children, staff, PTA members, the wonderful stall holders (and their families,) Alicia DeArth, Chris Lowe, Darryl Goldsack, those who organised animal rings, tents, chairs and tables, prizes/gifts etc.**
- ◆ Thanks also to the great team who worked tirelessly on Friday getting produce and stalls ready, assisting with children and preparing classrooms. Thanks also to those who stayed for the clean-up on Saturday and to past families and students who offered their help and stepped in to fill roster gaps for us.
- ◆ A special thanks to the children (and their parents and teachers) for the way they prepared their animals and participated in the indoor activities. Classrooms looked stunning and children and staff should be very proud of your achievements.
- ◆ Thanks to Mrs Mills and Ryan, for the efficient organisation of the animal side: organising the programme,

judges, roster, ribbons, points, trophies, etc.

- ◆ Thanks to our indoor and animal judges for their input into our day and to those who were involved as stewards
- ◆ **Day in Lieu**—As reported in the last newsletter of last term the Board have decided that Tuesday 24 October will be classed as a Day in Lieu of Agricultural Day. Monday 23 October is Labour Day so you will be able to have an extra long weekend.
- ◆ **Safety Reminders**—All crossing of George Crescent must be done at the patrolled crossing. (Parents you need to be good role models for this!) Parents have the responsibility of ensuring the safety of children crossing the main road. If children are riding their bikes to school they should be at least 10 years old (recommendation from NZ Police, Bike Wise and LTNZ) and must wear an approved helmet. Any younger children must be supervised by a parent.
- ◆ **SCHOOL BEGINS AT 8.55A.M.** Parents are asked to say their final farewells at the handbell and depart from rooms so that teaching can begin promptly. Late children interrupt the class so please ensure your children are at school prior to the handbell at 8.50a.m.
- ◆ **DATES FOR THE TERM**—These are on the back, please put them in a safe place. They are also available on our Website calendar.
- ◆ **Hats**—these are to be worn this term. There are supplies available from the uniform shop that is open on Tuesday mornings from 8.30a.m. Thanks to Mrs Collins for running this for us. Please name all items of clothing so they can be handed back if lost.
- ◆ **Dates for 2024**—As per the email sent during the last week of term, the Board has approved the following dates for 2024: **Term 1**—Thurs 1 February—Friday 12 April. **Term 2**—Mon 29 April—Friday 5 July. **Term 3**—Monday 22 July—Friday 27 September. **Term 4**—Monday 14 October—Tuesday 17 Dec. **Please** make holiday arrangements outside of these dates so attendance is not disrupted. Ag Day is planned for 28



September. Easter falls in Term 1—Fri 29 March—Tues 2 April. A Ministry approved Teacher Only Day is planned for Term 2—4 June which follows the King's Birthday on 3 June.

- ◆ **Lost Property from Term 3**—I have washed this and it is available in the sickbay. There are 19 sweatshirts, 2 jackets, long pants and a skirt.
- ◆ **Ezlunch—Sushi**—begins this Thursday for those who have ordered this. Information on enrolment, etc was sent out at the end of last term.
- ◆ **Casual Dress Day**—last term made \$262 for the Cancer Society. Thanks to all who made donations to this cause.
- ◆ **Group Day for Animals**—Group Day for calves, lambs and goats will be held on Wednesday 18 October at the A & P showgrounds. **Entries close this Wednesday 11 October.** Entry is open to anyone who has shown an animal at Ag Day regardless of whether they have won a prize. The cost to enter this year is \$7.50. Please see Mrs Mills for entry forms.
- ◆ **Ag Day Cups & Trophies**—please return these to the school office this week so they can be taken to be engraved.

Congratulations to:

- ◆ **Ag Day Results**—these will be placed on our website (in Ag Day folder) along with photos of the day. The powerpoint of our wonderful sponsors is already on the website in this folder.

Board Survey

All families will receive a link to a survey this Wednesday. Please take the time to fill this out and help us with our Strategic planning for 2024.

Community Notices

Ag Day Lambs Wanted

Good home on a lil farm by a pretty lake in Glen Murray. \$50 to Buckland School for each lamb taken. Please phone Brian Doddrell on 027 292 2051

Events for This Week

Tues 10 Oct—Smash Cricket lessons
Wed 11 Oct—Enrolment Ballot
Wed 11 Oct—Launchpad & Values group begin again.
Thurs 12 Oct—Jump Jam & Fitness Circuit
Thurs 12 Oct—ezlunch opportunity begins.
Fri 13 Oct—School Assembly—2.30p.m. ALL WELCOME.
Sat 14 Oct—General Election. Kea room is being used as a Voting place.



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

Ctrl Click [here](#) to view the menu.

Events for Next Week

Mon 16 Oct—Musical Instrument show for whole school (paid for by school)
Mon 16 Oct—PTA Meeting—6.30p.m. in staffroom. ALL WELCOME
Tues 17 Oct—HPV Immunisation Yr 7 & 8s with signed permission only.
Wed 18 Oct—Franklin Group Day
Wed 18 Oct—Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Pukekohe Intermediate
Wed 18 Oct—BOT Meeting—6.00p.m. All Welcome
Thurs 19 Oct—Franklin Yr 3 & 4 & Yr 7 & 8 Touch Rugby (selected children)
Thurs 19 Oct—NZ Shake Out 9.30a.m.
Fri 20 Oct—Yr 5 & 6 Franklin Touch
Prior Notice: Mon 23 Oct—Labour Day
Tues 24 Oct—Day in Lieu

From the PTA

Thank you to all who supported our many Raffles by selling or buying tickets prior to and on the day.

Grocery Raffle Winners:

1st—\$500 —Gilbert Ponase
2nd—\$300 - Tanya Honiss
3rd—\$200—Jasper Sweetman
4th—Grocery hamper—Lynette Fraser
5th—Hamper—Karaya Retzlaff
6th—Hamper—Selina
7th—Hamper—Karen
8th—Hamper—Rose Johnson

Raffle Winners:

Toddler Hamper – Josh Williams
Women’s Hamper 1 – Jane Stevens
Women’s Hamper 2 – Kylie Thompson
Women’s Hamper 3 – Maree Vincent
Women’s Hamper 4 – Wathudura Sisira
Farmers Hamper – Falyne Laker
Men’s Hamper 1 – Darryl Goldsack
Men’s Hamper 2 – Ian Glasgow
Men’s Hamper 3 – Daniel Ayluard
Family Fun Vouchers – Rotorua – Ross Allen
Older Boys Hamper – Deb Collins
Family Fun Vouchers – Auckland – Anna Farley
Toddler Hamper – Sue
Pet Hamper – Verity Mounsey
Book Hamper – Liz Roozendaal
Young Boys Hamper – Alana Meechan
Pak N Save – Chloe Waterman-Rira
New World Hamper – Falyne Laker
Family Fun Box – Kathryn Weston
Kitchen Inspirations – Falyne Laker
Young Girls Hamper – Liz Roozendaal
Older Girls Hamper – Liz Roozendaal

Pony Poo:

MW Insurance Square: Paul Walter

Silent Auctions:

Woollen Blanket—Sara Jensen
F45 Voucher—Jasmin Ali
Ford Mustang Weekend—Peter Webb
Counties Manukau Rugby Jersey & Mens’ Vouchers— Jeremy Butcher
Women’s Vouchers—Rowan Glass
Kinderfeets Balance Bike, woollen blanket & Micro Sprite Neochrome Scooter— Kayla Gaul
Stanley FatMax Kit—Jason Toms
House Plant Bundle—Sue Taylor
Wooden Truck & Blanket—Brett Young
Cutting Edge Plastic Surgery skin check—Michael Crow
Mac Direct Planter Boxes—Claire Chaplin

PTA Meeting—Monday 16th October at 6.30 p.m. in the staffroom. ALL WELCOME

Dates for Term 4

Following are a list of dates (excluding those for first two weeks above) that have already been set for the term. You may like to enter these into your diaries. They are also available on our website.

- ◆ Mon 23 Oct—Labour Day
- ◆ Tues 24 Oct—Day in Lieu of Ag Day
- ◆ Wed 25 Oct—School Athletics
- ◆ Thurs 26 Oct—School Council meeting
- ◆ Fri 27 Oct—Mr Gardner visit—Tiritiri restoration programme
- ◆ Fri 27 Oct—School Assembly
- ◆ Fri 27 Oct—PTA Halloween Disco
- ◆ Mon 30 Oct—Fri 3 November—Year 6—8 Peter Snell Camp
- ◆ Mon 30 Oct—Yr 0—2 Gymnastics lessons
- ◆ Thurs 2 Nov—Yr 3 & 4 Orchestra trip
- ◆ Mon 6 Nov—Yr 0—2 Gymnastics lessons
- ◆ Mon 6 Nov & Tues 7 Nov—ASB Getwise Financial Literacy lessons—Yr 3—8
- ◆ Thurs 8 Nov - North Group Athletics
- ◆ Mon 13 Nov—Yr 0—2 Gymnastics lessons
- ◆ Wed 15—Fri 17 Nov—Year 5 Camp—Camp Adair
- ◆ Thurs 16 Nov—Franklin Zone Athletics
- ◆ Thurs 23 Nov—Yr 7 & 8 Shop Day
- ◆ Thurs 23 Nov—School Assembly
- ◆ Fri 24 Nov—Teacher Only Day
- ◆ Tues 28 Nov—Junior trip
- ◆ Wed 29 Nov—School Council meeting
- ◆ Thurs 30 Nov —Auckland Athletics (Yr 7 & 8)
- ◆ Fri 1 Dec - Rainbows End Care day
- ◆ Mon 4 - 8 Dec - Book Week
- ◆ Wed 6 Dec—Final Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- ◆ Wed 6 Dec—BOT Meeting
- ◆ Fri 8 Dec—School Council casual dress day
- ◆ Fri 8 Dec—Year 8 Graduation
- ◆ Thurs 14 Dec—Prizegivings
- ◆ Fri 15 Dec—Final day of term/final assembly

A HUGE THANK YOU FROM THE PTA to all of the hard work, time spent, dedication by parents, students and families overall for the great atmosphere and work that went into Ag Day. Approximately \$24,000 was raised on the day! And more funds are likely to come through from silent auctions that will be still running over the next few weeks. Keep an eye out on trade me listings for those Rugby Fans out there! We will add further details into next weeks’ newsletter. And – a huge thank you for those who came early to set up and helped us pack down – the weather was kind to us and we did the pack down in record time ☺