



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 4 2023

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Monday 11 December 2023

Dear Parents and Community Members

- ◆ Tena Koutou
- ◆ **Wow** what a week we had last week: Police Helicopter dropping in, Community Police Officers organising running races and prizes, Seven Sharp visiting, Book Week, Kids First fundraiser and to top it off our Year 8 Graduation Dinner. Photos of these events are following.
- ◆ *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 all our teaching and support staff, thank you for your efforts and commitment over another busy year. At the present time all staff will be returning next 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: Ali, Brittain, Burgess, Chopra,*

Collins, Elder, Harris, Harvey-Fitzgerald, Kitto, Meechan, Vao, Wilson, 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. The school has been enhanced by your involvement. All the best for your new schools.*
- ◆ **Books**—If you still have any Library Books/Reading books—please drop these off at school. Stocktakes are underway at the moment.
- ◆ **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 14 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 2024 classes on Thursday. Staff have spent

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**
- ◆ **PTA newsletter is attached**
- ◆ **Reading over the holidays**—Please encourage children to continue reading so gains will be sustained. Athletics accounts will also still be available.

Thank You to:

- ◆ Mr Allan Bodman and Police team for organising the visit of the Police helicopter.
- ◆ Our Community Police team for visiting and working with children.
- ◆ Mrs Goldsack for organising the Scholastic Book Fair and for all who supported this with purchases.
- ◆ Our School Council for organising the Casual Dress day for Kids First and to all who donated gifts or money. Prefects will be presenting these next week at the hospital.
- ◆ All those who attended the Year 8 Graduation Dinner. A special thanks to Mrs King for cooking the meats, staff who assisted with decorations and cleanup and to parents for the salads and desserts. It was great to be able to celebrate and farewell our Graduating Year 8s in this way.
- ◆ Deb Collins for running the uniform shop over the year. We are still looking for a replacement to take on this job. If interested please contact Mrs Mills or Mrs Glasgow.
- ◆ The Board for your work over the year.
- ◆ The PTA for fundraising efforts and for the ice blocks for students last week.
- ◆ All children for their efforts and achievements over the year.

I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and holiday break
Mavis Glasgow
Principal



- ◆ **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. Our school is a SelectaDNA school and all electrical equipment has been marked. Police and security will also be making regular checks.

Congratulations to:

- ◆ The following students who received certificates at last week's assembly: **Piwakawaka:** Jasper Sweetman, Maia Lim-Billman, Mia Britton-Stolte, Manjaap Singh, **Titipounamu:** Oliver, August, Luke, Inuthi, Ryan, Morrison, Jedaiah, Altus, **Ruru:** Summer, Marlee, Hunter, Carter, **Tui:** Riley, Ella, Annabelle, Alby, **Takahe:** Dante, Zoe, Max, Qihong, **Kakapo:** Aleya, Lorelai, Travis, Bridie, **Karearea:** Cruz, Jacob, Holly S, Milly, **Weka:** Ayla, Rory, Corbin, Tristin, **Kea:** Kiani, Flynn, Connor
Principal's Awards: Anders & George in Weka.
School Values Awards: Altus in Titipounamu, Layla in Kakapo & Anja in Ruru.
- ◆ The following students who received class Athletics certificates at last week's assembly: **Kea:** Jason, **Weka:** Myka, **Karearea:** Robert, **Kakapo:** Holly, **Takahe:** Conrad, **Tui:** Kayden, **Ruru:** Parker, **Titipounamu:** Hudson & Keanu

Student Buckland School Google Accounts

Children who are leaving Buckland School need to take anything they want to keep off their school Google Account. These will be disconnected during the middle of January.

- ◆ **Lost Property**—Please visit the lost property baskets for uniform items and shoes. We will also put these out the front of the school on fine afternoons.
- ◆ **Lost Nike Shoes**—Black & Red. Last seen after the Yr 0—2 trip to Omana Park. If your child has brought these home by mistake, please return them to school as owner would like them back.

Events for This Week

- ⇒ Mon 11 Dec—Reports home
- ⇒ Tues 12 Dec—Final Breakfast Club
- ⇒ Thurs 14 Dec—2024 Transition meetings
- ⇒ Thurs 14 Dec—ezlunch Sushi
- ⇒ Thurs 14 Dec—1.00 p.m. Prizegiving for Yr 0—2 children. Agricultural Day badges / prizes will also be given out at this prizegiving.
- ⇒ Thurs 14 Dec—6 p.m. Prizegiving for Yr 3—8 children.
- ⇒ Fri 15 December—Final Day. Assembly at 12.45p.m. **School finishes at 1 p.m.**

Prior Notices for 2024

- ◆ School begins again on **Thursday 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.
- ◆ Uniform Shop Opening - 30 & 31 January from 9am to 12 noon
- ◆ Stationery Available - 30 & 31 January from 9am to 12 noon

Year 8 Graduation



Buckland School Board Casual Vacancy for two Parent Representatives

Two casual vacancies have occurred on the School Board for elected parent representatives. The Board have decided to fill the vacancies by selection. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be emailed by 11 January 2023 to:

Darryl Goldsack
Presiding member (chair)
Buckland School Board
Board@buckland.school.nz



eZlunch MENU

SUSHI

- Mixed Sushi - 6 piece \$12.20
- Chicken & Salmon Mixed Sushi - 4 piece \$8.00
- Mixed Sushi - 4 piece \$8.00
- Teriyaki Chicken Sushi - 4 piece \$7.60
- Teriyaki Chicken Sushi - 6 piece \$11.40
- Crispy Chicken Sushi - 4 piece \$8.40
- Crispy Chicken Sushi - 6 piece \$12.60
- Tuna Sushi - 4 piece \$7.20
- Tuna Sushi - 6 piece \$10.80
- Salmon Sushi - 4 piece \$8.40
- Salmon Sushi - 6 piece \$12.60
- Crispy Prawn Sushi 4 piece \$8.40
- Crispy Prawn Sushi - 6 piece \$12.60
- Vege Fritter Sushi - 4 piece \$7.60
- Vege Fritter Sushi - 6 piece \$11.40

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

Police Helicopter



PTA Iceblock Day

