



# 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 1

4 April 2018

Dear Parents and Community Members  
Tena Koutou

- ◆ We hope that you all enjoyed the Easter break and the lovely weather.
- ◆ **School Values for the Term:** Excellence and Respect.
- ◆ **Welcome** to Kayden our new student in Piwakawaka and his family.
- ◆ **KELLY SPORTS SWIMMING LESSONS**— These are continuing for the next two weeks on Thursdays and Fridays. Please ensure your children have their togs and a sweatshirt to put on after the lesson. The pool is heated and we would like all children to gain from all the lessons where-ever possible.
- ◆ **University of Canterbury—2018 Great Kiwi English, Science and Mathematics Competitions**—are happening again this year for the second year. These are on-line tests for Year 5—10 students and are entirely voluntary. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2. There are costs involved which parents will need to meet. If you would like to enrol your child, forms are available on the noticeboard. Entries close 11 April.
- ◆ **PTA AGM**—This will be held on Tuesday 10 April. Nomination forms for President, Secretary and Treasurer must be received by Monday 9 April. Form is below for nominations.
- ◆ **BOARD OF TRUSTEES report back on community survey –The Board thank those parents who contributed to this survey**—An analysis and some information regarding some of the comments came home last week with children. If you did not receive this please ask your child. The analysis is also on our website under BOT Newsletters.

- ◆ **Slime and Cards**—The school endeavours to accommodate the fads that children enjoy. Unfortunately both slime and Pokemon cards are now causing problems in the playground and therefore we have banned them from school. We would appreciate parents helping with keeping these items at home to avoid further disagreements and mess to clean up.
- ◆ **Fees**—thank you to the families who have paid their fees. Families yet to pay will have a further reminder sent out. All fees should be paid before the end of Term 1.
- ◆ **Orienteering Practice**—transport is needed for children attending the orienteering practice at Colin Lawrie Field on Wednesday 11 April. We will leave school at approx. 12.20 pm and return at 2pm. If you are able to help please contact Mrs Fletcher.
- ◆ Thank you to all who supported the PTA Easter raffle and to the PTA for running this and for the gift of an Easter egg for children and staff. A special thanks to Mrs Steenson for organising the eggs and the raffle and those who sold the tickets.

## Did You Know?

We lost large branches off a tree in our senior playground during a recent storm. Auckland Council needed to check whether the tree was protected or not. As it was not and was going to be a danger in the future the tree was removed yesterday. The playground can now be opened again which I know children will be happy about. We do however have a number of trees that have been identified as 'notable trees' and are therefore protected.

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## Thank you to:

- ◆ Parents and family members who attended the mini assembly last Thursday and team assemblies.
- ◆ Our school councillors for contributing to the school council meeting.
- ◆ Mrs Fletcher and the Travelwise team for attending the training day.



## Congratulations to:

- ◆ Those who were lucky enough to have their tickets drawn out in the Easter Raffle. Results are over the page.
- ◆ Charlize in Kereru who won a national title in the Ridden Welsh Lead Rein Pony of the Year and also a best rider prize at the Horse of the Year recently.

## Events for This Week

- ◆ Commonwealth Games—4—15 April
- ◆ Wed 4 April—Year 7 & 8 Technology
- ◆ Wed 4 April—Yr 7 & 8 Immunisations
- ◆ Thurs 5 April—Otago Maths Problem Challenge—Set 1 (selected children)
- ◆ Thurs 5 & Fri 6 April—Kelly Sports swimming lessons
- ◆ Fri 6 April—Auckland Swimming Championships—Good Luck Kullen!
- ◆ Fri 6 April—School Assembly 2.45p.m. All Welcome

## Events for Next Week

- ◆ Tues 10 April—AGM of PTA—7 p.m.
- ◆ Wed 11 April—BOT Meeting—6 p.m.
- ◆ Wed 11 April—Entries for University of Canterbury tests close (Yr 5—8)
- ◆ Fri 13 April—School Council Mufti Day and end of Term 1! School finishes at the usual time.

## Orienteering Lessons with Mrs Robinson



## Easter Raffle Results

1st—Dylan—Karearea  
 2nd—Lachlan—Kakapo  
 3rd—Jemma—Weka  
 4th—Aman—Kea  
 5th—Blake—Weka  
 6th—Rosie—Keruru  
 7th—Taylor—Kakapo  
 8th—Charlotte—Kea  
 9th—Cruz—Tui  
 10th—Sam—Keruru  
 11th—Brianna—Kea  
 12th—Abby—Takahe  
 13th—Charley—Ruru  
 14th—Kiriana—Piwakawaka  
 15th—Jimmy—Takahe  
 16th—Hayden—Tui  
 17th—Cleo—Tui  
 18th—Meg—Kakapo  
 19th—Dylan Karearea  
 20th—Lucas—Weka  
 21st—Ella—Kea  
 22nd—Jake—Keruru  
 23rd—Ryan—Tui  
 24th—Lexi—Keruru  
 25th—William—Tui  
 Bunny—Summer—Kea  
 Maze Tickets—Shyanne—Keruru & Bella—Tui



## Community Notices

**LOST BLACK SWIMMING BAG** with speedo togs, towel, goggles and cap. Please return to Jorja in Kakapo Room.

**SEASONS FOR GROWTH** is a grief, loss and change program for children, and helps them deal with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death or other major family changes. The next after-school program starts on Thursday 10th of May, 4pm-5pm at St Andrews Church hall in Pukekohe. A Parent Programme is also available. The Programs run for 8 weeks during term time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton on 021 142 5812, Deb on 238 7375, or contact us at [seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz](mailto:seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz). For more info go to [www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons](http://www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons)

**ANZAC SERVICE**—Wednesday 25 April at 9.45am at the Buckland Cenotaph. Coffee/tea at the Buckland Hall after the service. All Welcome.

### UNIFORM FOR SALE

1 x size 12 Skort  
 1 x size 12 T-Shirt  
 2 x size 6 Skorts  
 Enquiries to the school office

## PTA NOMINATION FORM

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the position of Chairperson / Secretary / Treasurer (circle one)

Signed by Nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to the drawer in the school office

## Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 10 T 1 18

The ..... family received the newsletter this week.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (enter family name)