



# 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 1 2019

30 January 2019

Dear Parents and Community Members

◆ Tena Koutou and Welcome back to school for a busy 2019 year. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday break and enjoyed the wonderful weather. We hope that children are refreshed and enthusiastic about getting back to school.

◆ **Welcome** back to our staff who have been busy over the last few weeks preparing for the term. A special welcome to our new teachers: Miss Sophie Pyne and Miss Zara Wright. Welcome back also to Mrs Christina Reddish. Staff are all looking forward to getting to know your children and you, so that they can work in partnership with you to facilitate a wonderful and rewarding education for your children.

◆ **School Values for the Term:** Excellence and Respect.

◆ **Welcome** to our new children—Zoe, Arthur Colton, Indeanna, Coby, Ella, Liam, Milo, Eden, Myka all in Piwakawaka, April and Valentina in Titipounamu, Indy in Tui, Andres in Karearea and Chase in Kea and their families. We hope that your association with the school will be a happy and rewarding one.

◆ **Dates for 2019 Terms:** Please book holidays during holiday periods  
Term 1: Wed 30 Jan – Fri 12 April  
Term 2: Mon 29 April – Fri 5 July  
Term 3: Mon 22 July – Fri 27 September

Ag Day—Saturday 28 September  
Term 4: Mon 14 October – Fri 13 Dec

◆ **Absences:** Please notify the school early each morning that children are going to be away, stating the reason for the absence. An answer phone operates for your convenience. You can also email Mrs Mills at [GMills@buckland.school.nz](mailto:GMills@buckland.school.nz). It is costly for the school both in time and resources to have to ring you to check

your children are safe. Please note the Ministry guidelines: Prior permission from the Principal is to be obtained before a holiday during term time. Children will be marked as absent. Where-ever possible however please make trips out of school time so that your child's progress is not interrupted.

◆ **Cell phones** are not permitted at school unless prior arrangements have been made by parents with Mrs Glasgow. Any cellphones confiscated will need to be collected by parents.

◆ **Dates for the Term**—these will be in next week's newsletter and placed on the website.

◆ **School Times:** School begins with a handbell at **8.55a.m.** and finishes at **3 p.m.** Children need to arrive **before this time** so that they can be prepared for a start at 9 a.m. and do not interrupt classes that have already started. Interval is 10.10—10.30 with lunch break 12.40—1.30. The first 15 minutes of lunch are assigned to sitting down and eating. Teachers will be on duty to check that children eat their lunch. If however, you notice your child is bringing home their lunch please let us know.

◆ **Swimming Lessons**—Each class will have daily swimming lessons with teachers. Please ensure children have their togs each day. We would like all children to wear rash shirts while in the pool. Please name these, goggles, towels and togs.

◆ **Lunchtime swims**—Will be available. Classes will be rostered on each day and those classes will have priority. If there is sufficient safe numbers, other children will be invited by the duty teacher.

◆ **Hats**—children **must** wear a hat during all intervals throughout this term. Hats need to be clearly named (inside) so that they can be returned if lost. Children who have written on

the outside of their hats will be asked to wash these or replace them if the writing can not be removed. Children not wearing hats will be expected to sit under the front umbrellas.

◆ **Uniform Expectations**—these must be worn correctly. If there is a problem with an item of uniform, a uniform pass must be obtained from a teacher. The only jewellery to be worn are watches and stud earrings. Necklaces with cultural significance may be worn at the discretion of the Principal. Fingernail polish should not be worn and we are expecting long hair to be tied up.

### Staff List for 2019

- ◆ Mrs Mavis Glasgow - Principal
- ◆ DPs—Mrs Angela Lindgreen & Mrs Marlene Fletcher
- ◆ Room Piwakawaka—N.E./Year 1—Mrs Christina Reddish & Mrs Kathy Travers
- ◆ Room Titipounamu —Year 1/2—Mrs Sally Miles & Miss Neena Hari
- ◆ Room Ruru—Year 1/2—Mrs Kerry Bartlett & Mrs Angela Lindgreen
- ◆ Room Tui—Year 3/4—Miss Liz O'Brien
- ◆ Room Kakapo—Year 3/4—Miss Zara Wright
- ◆ Room Kereru—Year 3/4— Mrs Sonja King
- ◆ Room Takahe—Year 5/6—Mrs Marlene Fletcher & Mrs Joh Twomey
- ◆ Room Karearea—Year 5/6—Mr Matthew Taylor
- ◆ Room Weka—Year 5/6—Mr Tony Wisnewski
- ◆ Room Kea Year 7/8—Mrs Lisa Goldsack & Miss Sophie Pyne.
- ◆ Reading Recovery/Specialist Groups - Mrs Lisa Robertson
- ◆ Mrs Glenis Mills—Executive Officer
- ◆ Mrs Lisa Murphy—Teacher Aide
- ◆ Miss Ailsa Howard—Teacher Aide
- ◆ Mrs Shona Miln—Teacher Aide
- ◆ Mrs Karen Adams—Teacher Aide
- ◆ Ms Nikki Taylor—Teacher Aide
- ◆ Mrs Linda Hackett—Teacher Aide—Library
- ◆ Mr William Lindgreen—Caretaker
- ◆ Crest Clean—Cleaners

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- ◆ **Uniform Shop**—the Uniform Shop will be open tomorrow morning from 8.30am to 9.15 am for anyone wishing to purchase uniform items. Normal shop hours will resume next week—Tuesdays from 8.30am to 9.15am.
- ◆ **Newsletter Draw**—please fill out the slip on the bottom of this newsletter and return to the box on top of the drawers in the office foyer to go in to the fortnightly prize draw which takes place at school assembly.

## Thank You to:

- ◆ Mrs Collins, Miss Dagger, Mrs McCarthy and Mrs Stichbury for opening the Uniform Shop over the holidays and for all the work they have done in getting our new students organised with uniforms.
- ◆ Mrs Mills for organising the stationery packs. We hope this assisted you to avoid the hassle of shopping for these items. Packs are still available from the office.
- ◆ Parents and community members for attending the prize-givings at the end of 2018.
- ◆ Staff would like to thank families who gave them lovely gifts at the end of last year.

## Events for This Week

- Thursday 1 Feb—House Meetings

## Events for Next Week

- Wednesday 6 Feb—Waitangi Day—School Closed
- Fri 8 Feb—First School Assembly 2.15p.m. All Welcome

### Prior Notices

- Tues 12 Feb - BOT Meeting
- Thurs 14 Feb - PTA Meeting
- Fri 15 Feb—Meet the Teachers followed by BOT BBQ, Swim and Sports get together

# Community Notices

## Seasons for Growth In School Programme

Buckland School is pleased to be able to offer a very successful education programme called **Seasons for Growth** which we are looking to provide this term. We are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved. **Please contact Mrs Glasgow or Mrs Mills this week if you would like your child/children to be included in the group.**

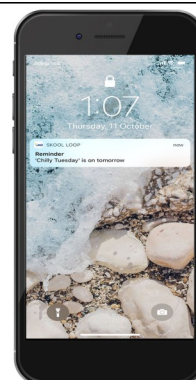
Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Buckland School we recognise that when significant changes occur in our lives, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively.

This programme is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to highlight skills to cope effectively with change, challenges and loss. The programme focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem solving, decision making, effective communication and support networks. This is achieved through fun activities, discussion, art and craft, and stories.

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### Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 1 T 1 2019

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

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