



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 4 Term 3

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12 August 2019

Dear Parents and Community Members

- ◆ Tena Koutou
- ◆ **School Values for the Term: Joy of Effort**
- ◆ **Friday's Incident** - See Over
- ◆ **Breakfast Club** - Our Breakfast Club runs on Tuesday & Friday mornings, in the hall from 8.15a.m. - 8.45a.m. If you have fruit (that is excess or dropping off trees) and would like to donate this please do so. **All children are welcome.**
- ◆ **School Cross Country** - This Tuesday (weather permitting) beginning with Yrs 0 to 2 from 11.30am and Yrs 3 to 8 from 1.00pm. The saving day is Thursday.
- ◆ **Supercars Student on Track Day** - This year Buckland School has applied for a number of student and parent passes to the Pukekohe race track for Student On Track day, for the V8 Supercars. This event is on Friday 13th Sept. As the numbers are limited, first option is being offered to students in Years 5-8. If there are still tickets available after 16 August, it will be opened to Y3/4 also. If your child has a passion for motorsport and is interested in attending the event, please send them to Weka room to get an official letter from Mr Wisniewski this week.
- ◆ **Ag Day Entry Forms**—Entry forms are available from the website and office noticeboard. **Entries close this Friday 16 August.** Entry forms should be placed in the drawer in the school office.
- ◆ **Wanted by Karearea Room**—egg cartons. Please deliver to Mr Taylor.
- ◆ **Scholastic Book Club**—orders close this Wednesday 14 August. Please place orders in the locked drawer in the school office. Cheques should be made out to Scholastic New Zealand.
- ◆ **Franklin Music Festival**—Our choir will be performing at the Franklin Principals' Music Festival on

Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 September. An order form for tickets is on the back page of the newsletter. Please put order form and payment in the locked drawer in the school office. Tickets will be sent home with children. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children up to 15 years of age. Children who are performing in the choir do not need a ticket.

- ◆ **Enrolments for 2020**—As the Board must make a decision as to whether to ballot or not for next year, we need your help to establish the closest approximation we can get on what our numbers will be at the beginning and throughout the year. Would you please let Mrs Glasgow or Mrs Mills know of any new children in the school zone who require a place or if your child/ren will not be attending Buckland School in 2020.

Thank You to:

- ◆ Parents and students who attended the Year 7 & 8 Information Evening
- ◆ Mrs Wood who helped with transport and supervision to the Fear Factor competition
- ◆ Those who supported the Pizza day on Friday.
- ◆ All students who have completed posters for the Ag Day colouring competition. These will be used to advertise our day around the local community.

Kindest Regards
Mavis Glasgow
 Principal

Community Notices

YOUNG AT ART offer children's and teenage art and craft classes in Pukekohe. Our Term 3 classes commence next week (from 5 August) and are open for booking with a couple of places available. For more information or to book please check out: <http://www.youngatart.co.nz/>, email: admin@youngatart.co.nz or phone: 0297 712 923. Bookings are essential as places are limited'

Events for This Week

- Tues 13 Aug - School Cross Country beginning at 11.30am Yr 0-2, 1pm Yrs 3-8
- Wed 14 Aug - Yr 7 & 8 Technology - bus leaves at 8.45a.m. for Intermediate school.
- Wed 14 Aug - Bible in Schools programme
- Wed 14 Aug - BOT Meeting 6p.m.
- Wed 14 Aug - School Council meeting
- Fri 16 Aug - PTA Mufti Day - Child Mystery Bottle
- Fri 16 Aug—**Animal entries close.**
- Fri 16 Aug - **Ag Day Colouring Competition closes.**

Events for Next Week

- Tues 20 Aug-Yr 5 Camp meeting - 6 pm.
- Wed 21 Aug - Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- Thurs 22 Aug - North Group Cross Country
- Thurs 22 Aug - Otago Maths Challenge
- Thurs 22 Aug - Franklin Vets visit
- Fri 23 Aug - Financial Literacy lessons
- Fri 23 Aug - School Assembly

From the PTA

The colouring competition closes this Friday. Please place entries in the box on top of the drawers in the office. Mystery Bottle Mufti Day this Friday—please bring a bottle suitable for a child. Ms Brown will be collecting donations in from on Kea Room on Friday morning.

Community Notices

WhalesBOT Supercoding Workshop is now recruiting young learners from age 5-12 to come and learn how to build fun robots using Scratch to achieve the goals like maze runner, voice and remote control, fun robots with emotional expressions etc. Competition opportunity offered. Contact Mrs Rissetto on 021 106 0988 or email: lyriclady0612@live.com.

Newsletter Return Slip Draw —Wk 4 T 3 2019

The family received the newsletter this week.

Signed: _____ (enter family name)

FRIDAY'S INCIDENT

We want to inform you of the facts of Friday's challenging incident and reassure you that at no time were any children (other than the child concerned) in any danger.

Just before lunch a child got angry and climbed on the school roof and began damaging equipment. He put himself in danger by running over all the roofs including the steep hall roof. Staff tried to calm and coax the student down but were unable to do so. In order to manage the situation all other staff and students were requested to stay in their rooms and curtains were pulled.

As we were very concerned for the child's safety the police were called in to assist. Officers took over the control of the situation and called in the fire-brigade to help. Unfortunately no-one was able to get the child down.

After a period of time it was decided to call in a specialist negotiator. As the time the negotiator was due to arrive would coincide with the end of the school day, police felt that large numbers of people present could hamper the efforts and therefore asked staff to begin phoning parents to pick up children in a quiet and orderly manner where possible. During this time, the child was brought down off the roof safely. Phoning ceased and an email was sent out to parents informing them that they could come and get their children if they wished. We were notified of a face-book post, which was adding unnecessary anxiety for some parents. A parent was asked to assist and enter a post to reduce this anxiety.

Children were debriefed, questions answered, and they were congratulated on the sensible way they had handled the situation. Those children who had not been picked up returned to their classes until the end of the day.

The child in question was calmed and taken home. Help for him to work through this incident is being arranged at present.

Our sincere thanks to police and fire officers for the way this challenging incident was managed and resolved. Thanks also to staff, students and parents who were understanding and supportive.

If any child needs further help with this incident please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Glasgow.

Kindest Regards

Mavis Glasgow
Principal

Darryl Goldsack
BOT Chairperson



Dance Lessons

Choir Tickets

I would like to order _____ adult tickets @ \$15 each and _____ child tickets at \$5 each

Adult tickets for Wednesday 11 September

Child tickets for Wednesday 11 September

Adult Tickets for Thursday 12 September

Child tickets for Thursday 12 September

Name _____ Room _____

Please return this order form with payment in an envelope or plastic bag to the locked drawer in the school office.