

Buckland School



Term 3 BOT Newsletter 2019

BOT members

This newsletter sees us welcome new BOT members: Sarah Herring, Brandon Foster and Andrew Maunder to our team. It is heartening to see dedicated parents willing to contribute to the governance of our school. Ending their time on the board after dedicated years are Hannah McCarthy, Liz Roozendaal and Andrew Tautari. They have all played key roles in the achievements of the Board for the past six years and with the rest of the Board, feel confident that the newly appointed Board will find a sound school in very good heart, that is well managed and very well supported by our community. So a big thank you – for all your support, wisdom and energy; the school has benefited immensely from your commitment.

School

It would be fair to say there is never a quiet time at Buckland School. There have been exciting events to list over the last 2 terms. The year 3 & 4 “Mini Beasts” production was a highlight at the end of the term as well as the dance lessons and show. This term includes the Year 8 camp to Wellington, along with lots of preparation for our Ag Day from not only our staff and students but our school community. This is a positive reminder that effective partnerships between school, parents, whānau and communities result in better outcomes for students. Please contact our fabulous PTA if you wish to help in anyway. A roster will be available later in the term.

Illness

Last term saw many illnesses for students and staff. We hope you have had a restful holiday break and remind you that if your

child is unwell please keep them at home until they are better. Please notify the school before 9:00am.

Community Survey

Later in the term we will be distributing a Community Survey to all our families; this is an opportunity to share your thoughts and opinions with the BOT, and we encourage your participation in this.

Kindness

We remind all parents of the need for communication with our staff to be respectful at all times. Staff will reply to emails as soon as they can, however this may be the next day, unless the enquiry is urgent. We encourage our community to:

- Treat all people with kindness and respect;
- Work together in partnership with staff for the benefit of your child(ren);
- Respect and demonstrate our school's values;
- Set a good example to students at all times (parking legally, wearing seatbelts, using the pedestrian crossing, using appropriate language etc)

Building update

As you have probably noticed, we have had 5 of our rooms reroofed over the holidays.

Unfortunately, the weather hasn't exactly played ball so the finishing touches were completed in the first week back.

Thank you to the staff and community for your understanding while these projects are completed.

Many thanks from the Buckland School Board of Trustees: Darryl Goldsack, Mavis Glasgow, Dave Honiss, Brandon Foster, Sarah Herring, Andrew Maunder, Lisa Robertson