



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 8 Term 1 2020

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23 March 2020

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **COVID 19**—Please see our website for the Level 2 Announcement.
- ◆ Buckland School is OPEN. We are receiving constant updates from both the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health and are following these guidelines to the letter. However given the rapidly changing status of Covid-19 I understand that many of you will have chosen to keep your children at home. On Friday we had 21% absences and I expect this number to grow. To ease pressure on our systems it is important that we have notification of absences as this will enable us to prioritise contacting unexplained absentees. I would hate to discover a lost child at phone call 50 when that could have been phone call 1. Safety of everyone is our priority. Thanks for your help with this, please share this message amongst our Buckland School families.
- ◆ **Teachers** will be working on contingency plans this week to provide on-line education should in future, the status of the school change, however in the meantime children who are at home should be keeping up with their reading, their mathematics, writing stories, doing projects on topics of interest, keeping fit. There are numerous free websites available that can also be used. The Pukekohe Kahui Ako site also has ideas for Home Learning.
- ◆ **Hand Towels/Drink Bottles**—Would you please send along a named hand towel that can be kept in your child's bag for their personal use. Full drink bottles must also be sent daily and be used as all drinking fountains have been covered.
- ◆ **Team & School Assemblies/Jump Jam**—these have been put on hold.
- ◆ **All trips/visits outside of Buckland School**—have been cancelled.
- ◆ **Pickup and Drop Off**—Please pick up and drop children at the front gates. Do not enter school unless absolutely necessary and then come through the office please.

- ◆ **Visitors to the school**—please visit the office prior to entering any classrooms. Sanitizing your hands will be expected.
- ◆ **Payments made that will no longer be necessary**—to those parents who have made payments already for events, camps, etc which will no longer take place the school will refund money over the coming week.
- ◆ **Board of Trustee Newsletter**—this is attached
- ◆ **Lost Hat**—named Indie Smith—please return to Piwakawaka.

Stay safe everyone and be kind to yourselves and others
Kindest Regards
Mavis Glasgow
Principal



Events for This Week

- Tues 24 March—Breakfast Club
- Thurs 26 March—Orienteering lessons
- Thurs 26 March- Breakfast Club

Events for Next Week

- Tues 31 March—Chiropractic Edge visit
- Events to be confirmed

Wheels Day



Orienteering Lessons



Auckland Transport Visit