



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

Week 6 Term 3

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30 August 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members  
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **After today's announcement it looks at though we will be in Alert Level 4** for another two weeks! Hopefully Auckland numbers will continue to decline and an earlier decision might be made. In the meantime **our school site is closed.**

There is no access to school sites during Alert Level 4. Playgrounds (including public playgrounds) are also closed to reduce the risk of the virus spreading.

- ◆ **School Values: Respect—Kia u, Responsibility—Kia manawanui, Resilience—Kia mau** (I hope children are exhibiting these at home and giving support to all their family members.)

- ◆ **Sports and School Events**—Until further notice all sport and school events will be suspended. AIMS games are cancelled for this year.

- ◆ **Devices and Hard Packs**—We made up and delivered further hard-packs and devices today. These will be the last for this week. Can I please remind children and their parents that devices must be treated with respect and care and as per the agreement used for learning activities only. Last week we saw that a few children were abusing this agreement and were shut out of programmes they were on by teachers. No food or drink must be near devices and chargers must be used carefully. If you need help with learning activities please email your child's teacher.

**Other activities** are available on the following sites: Hard pack contents are online for you and your whānau to access via the [Learning From Home](#) and [Ki te Ao Marama](#) websites.

[Papa Kāinga \(TVNZ\)](#) and [Māori TV On Demand](#) educational channels are also available now.

- ◆ Your **Board of Trustees** is having a special meeting this Wednesday to discuss future events for the term depending on Alert Levels (including Ag Day.) We will inform you of the outcomes of this meeting as soon as possible. We know that those of you with animals are doing an amazing job in looking after and training them so please keep this up and hopefully by our date we will be in level 2 and

## BUCKLAND SCHOOL

### Out of Zone Enrolments

The Board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Buckland School in 2022. Enrolment at Buckland School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office. Application forms for out of zone places (available from the school website) must be received by **Wednesday 22 September 2021**. These can be emailed to our Executive Officer—[GMills@buckland.school.nz](mailto:GMills@buckland.school.nz)

The Board of Trustees has determined we have a limited number of spaces. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available students will be selected by ballot. This will take place on 24 September 2021.

our Board and Staff can organise a safe way of showing the animals (as we did last year.)

## Congratulations to:

- Children who are being committed to continuing your learning journey. There are some wonderful pictures and achievements being seen by teachers.

## Thank You to:

- To all our Essential workers who are providing services to keep us safe and well provided for.
- All parents and whanau who are doing an amazing job in supporting your children with their on-line learning.
- Teachers and support staff who are providing learning opportunities and supporting children and their families. Remember teachers are available to you from 9 a.m. —3p.m. daily Monday—Friday.

*Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.*

*kindest Regards  
Mavis Glasgow  
Principal*

### Two New Free Lockdown Videos

*I do hope that you are doing OK out there in lock-down. As level 4 (and perhaps soon level 3?) look like continuing for at least another few weeks, I decided to record and share two new free Video Lessons, both based on picture books, just as I did for level 4 lockdown last year.*

*Available free for everyone to share and use – so yes, do tell your colleagues and families about this – they are accessible on the Murray Gadd website and for a limited time, via YouTube and Vimeo:*

**'The Rascally Cake' (by Jeanne Willis)**  
A fun writing lesson primarily for Year 2-6 students, though some Year 7-8 students might enjoy it as well. This lesson promotes procedural writing.

**'Diary Of A Worm' (by Doreen Cronin)**  
Another fun writing lesson primarily for Year 2-6 students, though again some Year 7-8 students might enjoy it as well.

