



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 5 Term 3

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23 August 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members  
Tena Koutou

- ◆ **My thoughts** go out to you all at this difficult and worrying time. Special thoughts to those who are isolating, and being tested since the discovery of a local case. Keep strong, do what is asked of us and think of others. Together we will get through this. I have awaited the Government announcement today before sending out this newsletter. Auckland remains in **Alert Level 4** until at least Tuesday 31 August. Parliament will meet again on Monday 30 August to make a further decision therefore ... **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.

*A big thank you for taking the lockdown seriously and doing what we have been asked – we've seen before that staying at home will break the chain of transmission and save lives. It is even more important that we all follow the health advice because the Delta variant is very contagious.*

*Breaking the rules risks the health of those close to you, the wider community and could result in the lock down period being extended.*

*As always, please let us know if there is anything you need to support you and your tamariki during this time.*

*If you are concerned that someone is not following the rules, you can report it to [the COVID-19 Compliance Centre](#). This includes people not complying with:*

- ◆ *Alert Level restrictions*
- ◆ *managed isolation requirements*
- ◆ **Welcome** to our newest new entrant Niamh Cook who has joined Titipounamu with their on-line learning.
- ◆ **School Values: Respect—Kia u, Responsibility—Kia manawanui, Resilience— Kia mau**
- ◆ **Sports and School Events**—Until further notice all sport and school events will be suspended. AIMS games are cancelled for this year.

## 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 office and school website) must be received by **Wednesday 22 September 2021.**

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.

- ◆ **AG Day Animal Entries**—Thanks to all those who have filled out or emailed animal entries already. If you haven't please see the form on the website and email the details required for your child and animal to Mrs Mills: GMills@buckland.school.nz by this Wednesday.

- ◆ **Ag Day Animal Leading Courses**—The leading courses for calves, lambs and goats can be found on the school website in the Agricultural Day folder under Animal Information.

- ◆ **Devices and Hard Packs**—We delivered nearly 40 devices and numerous hardpacks to families who had requested these last Friday. 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. No food or drink must be near them and chargers must be used carefully. Thanks to those parents who have emailed me the device agreements. If you haven't yet done so please send a.s.a.p. to principal@buckland.school.nz

## Congratulations to:

- Children who are managing your time well and who are being committed to continuing your learning journey. We are seeing some wonderful efforts and results. Keep it up.

## Other Learning Resources for Families

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.

Please contact your child's teacher or myself if we can be of any assistance.

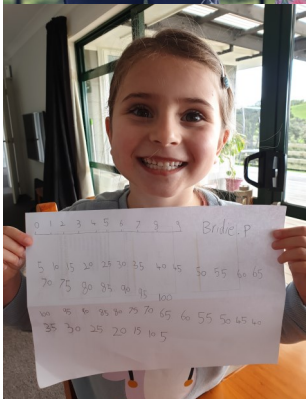
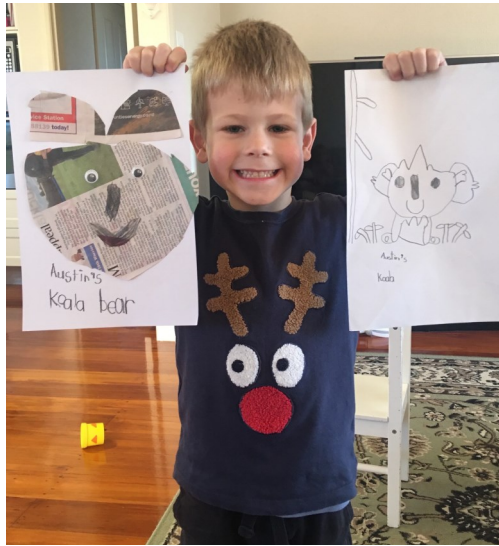
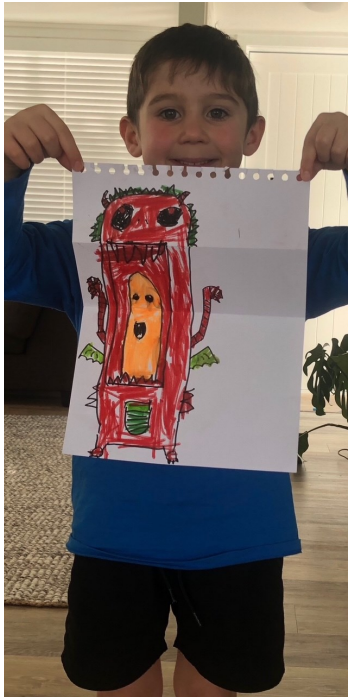
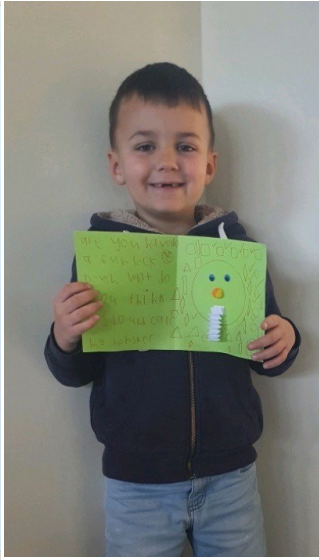
*Kindest Regards  
Mavis Glasgow  
Principal*

## Thank You to:

- To all our Essential workers who are providing services to keep us safe and well provided for.
- PTA Members who attended last week's PTA meeting.
- Board members who attended the Zoom BOT meeting last week.
- All parents and whanau who are doing an amazing job in supporting your children with their on-line learning.
- Teachers 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.



# Learning at Home



If you are stuck for ideas you might like to try some of these great learning opportunities.