



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

16 August 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

**School Values: Respect—Kia u,
Responsibility—Kia manawanui,
Resilience— Kia mau**

◆ **Welcome** to Kaylee our new student in Karearea. We hope your association with the school and the school community will be a rewarding and enjoyable one.

◆ **Cross Country**—I want to take the opportunity to congratulate all children who completed the school cross country. It was wonderful to see the resilience of students and also the support and encouragement of each other. Thanks to all parents and family members who came along to



support your children and others in their endeavours.

◆ **Enrolment for 2021—Student Numbers**—At this week's Board meeting your BOT must make the decision as to whether to hold a ballot for next year or not, and if so how many places will be available. We need your help to establish the closest approximation of our in-zone student numbers and present numbers at the beginning and throughout the year so that we can ensure staffing and funding supports **all** our children. Would you please, by Wednesday (if you haven't already) let Mrs Glasgow or our executive officer Mrs Mills know if you are aware of new children in the school zone who require a place or if your child/children will not be attending in 2021.

◆ **PTA Meeting—Tonight Monday 16 August at 7 p.m. in Staffroom. All Welcome**

◆ **Gymnastic Lessons**—These began today for all students and will run for three Mondays. Yr 0—2 students will need to be at school by 8.30a.m. on these days to make the bus that will be leaving at 8.45 a.m. Please ensure your children have suitable clothing for the lessons, a drink bottle and warm clothing to put on after the lessons. Thank you to all who have

paid the \$10.00 per child as a donation towards costs.

◆ **Class Indoor exhibits for Agricultural Day and the Agricultural Day Project**—You will have received a newsletter from your child's teacher outlining the activities for this year's Agricultural Day. Please keep this handy for later in the term. Any queries please contact your child's teacher through email. The project outline for Year 4—8 students not having animals is also available on our website under Agricultural Day.

◆ **Open Morning—Tuesday 24 August from 9—12 noon.** The school invites parents and family members to come along and view children working in their normal classroom learning programmes. Please feel free to join staff for morning tea in the staffroom.

◆ **Attendance**—It is vitally important that your child attends school on all days that they are well. **It is considered that anything over 5 days (10 1/2 days) per term as irregular attendance.** See below from our Term 1 Attendance report:

'Regular' attendance is defined for statistical purposes as 90% or higher. However, Ministry of Education analysis shows every day has a cumulative impact on a child's learning and there is no 'safe' level of non-attendance.
Every day matters.

◆ **Agricultural Day Animal Entries—close this Friday 20 August.** Leading courses for calves, lambs and goats can be found on the school website in the Agricultural Day folder under Animal Information.

Congratulations to:

◆ The following students who represented us well at the Fear Factor competition last Friday: Jenna-Mei, Casey, Ruben, William

◆ The following students who received awards at last week's school assembly: **Titipounamu:** Daniel, Alby, Olivia, Max, Danika, Cooper, **Piwakawaka:** Emma, Holly, Salwa, Tyler, **Ruru:** Sienna, Logan, Baylee, Ella, **Tui:** Holly, Jaxon, Eden, Eileen, **Kakapo:** Alexia, Flynn, Charlie B, Eden, **Takahe:** Layla, Khloe, Isla-Mae, Wade, **Karearea:** Charlotte,

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Lee, Melinda, Danielle, **Weka:** Delphi, Liam, Emily, Ava, **Kea:** Savannah, Rikki-Lee, Jorja, William
Principal's Award: Bridie in Ruru
Lion Award: Charli in Karearea
School Values Awards: Connor in Weka & Shea in Piwakawaka

◆ The following students who received Gold Athletics Certificates at last week's assembly: **Kakapo:** Alexia, Isaac, Jason, Oliver, Indy, **Tui:** Amber, **Ruru:** Indie, Isla, Bridie
Top Mathlete: Carter in Titipounamu
Top Athletics Class: Piwakawaka

◆ The following students who were placed at the Franklin Gymnastics Competition: Ava—3rd Floor, 2nd Vault, 3rd Bar, 3rd Overall, Delilah—3rd Vault, Avaleigh—3rd Vault, 2nd Beam, 1st Bar, 3rd Floor, 2nd Overall, Zac—3rd Vault, 1st Floor, 2nd Bar, 2nd Pommel, 2nd Overall, Connor—3rd Pommel.

Thank You to:

- All parents and family members who attended the school assembly.
- All parents and whanau who attended the school cross country events.
- All families who donated a bottle for the PTA stall last week.
- Parents of Year 0—2 students who had children well prepared and at school by 8.30a.m. for the bus.
- Parents who supported classes at the gymnastic sessions today.

EPro 8 Science/Technology Challenge—Yr 7 & 8



Protecting Your Child on their Digital Journey

Buckland School is committed to ensuring that all students (ākonga) are protected and safe while using the internet. To ensure this Buckland School utilises the company Network for Learning to provide a managed internet service that provides certain securities to aid in this protection. Schools and kura across Aotearoa are able to access a suite of safety and security services as part of the Managed Network, giving them the confidence to use digital technologies for learning.

• Web Filtering

Helps protect our ākonga online by restricting access to inappropriate content. Our school is able to customise the filters depending on our individual needs.

• Firewall

It acts as a wall between the internet and the school's network, allowing the good stuff through, and keeping the bad stuff out. The firewall prevents online threats and malicious activity from reaching school systems and devices.

• DNS Threat Protection

An additional safety net on top of our Web Filtering and Firewall that automatically enables Safe Search. It helps to further block unwanted content and minimise the impact of online threats (such as malware, ransomware, phishing scams and VPNs) to a school's internet connection.

• Google Workspace -

Managed YouTube settings

Using Google Workspace we can restrict which YouTube videos are viewable on our network. The settings help restrict which videos are available for our ākonga.

It's important to remember that there's no way to guarantee 100% protection from online threats or inappropriate content. There are additional measures that we take to keep our ākonga online learning environments safe and secure, such as promoting digital citizenship, using device management software called 'Hapara' to check on ākonga progress and making sure that our systems and software are up to date.

Matthew Taylor

Mavis Glasgow

IT Lead

Principal

Events for This Week

- Mon 16 Aug—Gymnastic Lessons—Pukekohe Gymnastic club, whole school. (See note)
- Tues 17 Aug—Breakfast Club
- Tues 17 Aug—Basketball Lessons
- Wed 18 Aug—Yr 7 & 8 Technology (catch-up session)
- Wed 18 Aug—Year 4 National Monitoring—The Arts (for those students randomly selected & whose parents have received notification)
- Wed 18 Aug—BOT meeting—6 p.m. All Welcome (in the Boardroom)
- Thurs 19 Aug—Jump Jam
- Fri 20 Aug—Breakfast Club

Events for Next Week •

- Mon 23 Aug—2nd Gymnastic session
- Tues 23 Aug—Breakfast Club
- Tues 23 Aug—Basketball lessons
- Tues 23 Aug—Open Morning for parents and whanau (see note)
- Tues 23 Aug—School Council meeting—12.45p.m.
- Wed 24 Aug—Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- Wed 24 Aug—School Assembly 2.25p.m.
- Thurs 26 Aug—Jump Jam
- Thurs 26 Aug—Otago Maths Challenge
- Thurs 26 Aug—North Group Cross Country
- Fri 27 Aug—Breakfast Club
- Fri 27 Aug—Daffodil Day
- Fri 27 Aug—Shop Day

School Cross Country



FROM THE PTA

PTA Meeting—Tonight Monday 16 August—7p.m.

Just a reminder that each family has been given two grocery raffle books to sell. And again, we have prizes for the most books been sold!

If you can't sell your raffle books, please drop them back to the office, as soon as you can, so we can pass these on to families that are wanting more! Books must be sold and returned to the locked drawer in the school office no later Friday 17 September.

Books and Games Wanted for Ag Day!

Do you have any unwanted books or games at home?

We are looking for donations of books and games for our Ag Day stall. Games can be board games and card games but please no jigsaw puzzles. These can be dropped off to the school office or contact Lucy Wymer (022 043 0142) to drop off outside of school hours.

Community Notices

Are you in Year 3 or 4 and want to play netball?

Buckland Netball Club are looking for extra players to join our Year 3 & 4 teams. Games are on Friday nights at the Pukekohe Netball Centre from 24 Sept – end Nov. To find out more and to sign up please email: bucklandnetballclubnz@gmail.com.

Are you in Years 1 and 2 and want to play netball?

Pukekohe Netball Centre run a Fun Ferns netball programme for 7 weeks starting on Fri 24 Sept, 4.30 – 5.30pm. \$25 for the 7 weeks. To sign up, go to: <http://www.pukekohenetball.co.nz/future-ferns.html>