



# 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 6 Term 4

22 November 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members  
Tena Koutou

- ◆ It has been WONDERFUL to welcome back students and they have shown a great deal of resilience and have enjoyed reconnecting with their teachers and classmates.
- ◆ **Latest Covid Update—Thank you to all children and parents who have returned to school and who have been abiding by the rules of mask wearing, staggered start, intervals and finish times and have been staying in their areas. Thank you parents for being on time for pickup in the afternoon and for the care you are taking around the crossing which is not patrolled by our road patrollers.** We will continue to take a very cautious approach and will abide by the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education directions. These include mask wearing by students from Year 4 up. (Because we have Yr 3 & 4 classes, mask wearing by Year 3 students is encouraged but optional.) Students have been handling mask wearing while inside really well and I have been impressed with the way they are conscious of their health and the health of others. Teachers will be endeavouring to do as much outdoor learning as possible and will be supportive of children who are finding masks difficult to wear as well as those who are anxious about their return. If you have any queries don't hesitate to email me. Remember that staff are here for you and reach out if you need anything or if your child/ren need extra support with transition back to school. We'll try our best to get back to you on the same day.
- ◆ **Sick children—Please keep children at home if they are sick.**
- ◆ **Our Deepest Sympathies** to the Mundy family on your tragic loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all.

- ◆ **Ag Day Certificates, ribbons and Goodie Bags as well as prizes:** These were given out on Friday and again today to all children who raised animals or gardens. I thank Mrs Mills for organising the certificates and ribbons and Anna Stormont for organising the Goodie Bags.
- ◆ **Staff Immunisation—** Our staff are all fully immunised and have had a negative test result before returning to school.
- ◆ **Agricultural Day project—**For those who have completed this, please bring it in this week. They will be judged this coming Friday 26th.
- ◆ **School Devices and books—**Thank you to all who have returned devices and books. We will need all these back by the end of the year. Learning tasks are being given to children in the school groups for the days that they are learning at home. If they have on-line availability they can continue with programmes such as Mathletics, Reading Eggs, etc. Children with their own devices may bring them in to use during school. For those not returning, Learning tasks are on Google Classroom or the Choice boards.
- ◆ **Hard Packs—**if you are unable to print off the activities from Google Classroom please contact your child's teacher.
- ◆ **Guitar Lessons with Mr Brown—** Due to restrictions these will not be able to continue for the rest of the year. Mr Brown will be in touch with parents of children concerned.

## Congratulations to:

The following two students who received their Gold Mathletics certificates for the week 15—21 Nov: Kakapo: Ayla, George

## Thank you to:

- ⇒ To parents who have sent amazing messages of support for the staff and myself. We really appreciate them.

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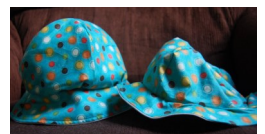
## Events for This Week

- Week—Bubble children in school as per arrangements.
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday until 11.30 a.m. School Open for students with surnames starting with **A—J Pickup time 11.30a.m. on Wednesday** to allow for a thorough clean of classrooms.
- Wednesday 12.30p.m. Students with **surnames K—Z** may enter school grounds. Thursday & Friday full days for this group.
- School grounds closed to everyone else.
- Wed 28 Nov—6 p.m. Board Meeting via Google Meets. If you wish to join us please email Mrs Glasgow who will send you an invitation.

## Events for Next Week

- If there are any changes to the organisation for this week you will be notified otherwise the same days as above will operate.

***Don't forget your hat. If you have a school hat please wear it, if you haven't, a hat from home will do for the next few weeks.***



***Everyone needs one as we are spending a lot of time outside.***

***Take Care Everyone  
We are looking forward to welcoming more students this week.***

***Kindest Regards  
Mavis Glasgow  
Principal***

If you are thinking about buying a Chromebook for your child for Christmas a Noel Leeming Chromebook flyer is attached



\* **Congratulations on your learning everyone! Thanks to those who have sent in the following photos last week—** Please keep sending these in I'm trying to put as many as possible into the weekly newsletter.



Spoons for Spoonville by some Takahe students.

