



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 9 Term 4 2021

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Monday 13 December 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members

◆ Tena Koutou.

- ◆ *As the year comes to a close I would like to thank all parents and community members for the wonderful support Buckland School has received over the year. Staff and pupils have appreciated your involvement and support with the education of our children. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.*
- ◆ *To Mrs Miles and Mr Taylor who will be leaving us this year and have been valuable members of the teaching staff, our thanks for the efforts and contributions you have made to the school. We wish you well in your new endeavours.*
- ◆ *To all our teaching and support staff, thank you for your efforts and commitment over an extremely difficult and challenging year.*
- ◆ *To our Year 8 pupils: We thank you all for your contributions to the school and wish you all the very best in the future. May the lessons that you have learned at Buckland School help you as you start out on your new journey. We hope you leave with fond memories of the school.*
- ◆ *With the leaving of the Year 8's we lose the following families who have had their children at Buckland School until Year 8: Deihl, Wood, Whittingham, Strydom, Biggs, Moore. Thank you for the loyalty and the many contributions you have made over your time of association*

with the school.

- ◆ *To other children and their families who are also leaving us, thank you also for the contributions you have made. All the best for your futures.*
- ◆ **Books**—If you still have any Library Books/Reading books—please drop these off at school. We are missing a huge number.
- ◆ **School Devices**—We still have a few that are yet to be returned. Please drop these off or contact the school and we will pick them up from you.
- ◆ **Prizegivings**—It is with sadness that we can not hold our traditional prize givings and have parents on site to celebrate our children's achievements. Hopefully the virtual google meet works! (I emailed information on how to join this during the weekend and it was in last week's newsletter.) We will place the names of recipients of awards and photos on our website after our second event on Tuesday.
- ◆ **Reports**—These will come home with your eldest child either on Monday or Tuesday depending on their last day of school. Those who have not returned may pick up the reports from the table on Wednesday.
- ◆ **Classes for next year** - We are unable to have our normal transition processes take place but children will be told which class they will be in during the last day they attend. For those not attending please email your child's teacher or Mrs Glasgow and we will get back to you.
- ◆ **Board newsletter is attached**
- ◆ **Care of the School over the Holidays**—if you notice any problems at the school please phone either the police, &/or Board members. If your children are playing in the school grounds please ensure they are supervised. Our school is a SelectaDNA school and all electrical equipment has

been marked. Police and security will be making regular checks.

Thank You to:

- ◆ All those who attended the Year 8 Graduation Pool Party. It was great to be able to celebrate our Year 8s.
- ◆ PTA for your contributions and financial support of several earlier school events which have assisted families and the school.
- ◆ Teachers for the countless hours spent on preparing children's reports
- ◆ Deb Collins & JR Beckett for running the uniform shop over the year.
- ◆ Our Bible Teachers for your contributions to our children.
- ◆ The Board for your work over the year.

Congratulations to:

- The following children who received Gold Mathletic certificates for week 6-12 Dec. 2021—**Titipounamu:** Jacx M, **Ruru:** Nate G, **Kakapo:** Indy W, **Takahe:** Layla A, Isla-Mae R.
- All children for their efforts and achievements over the year.

Events This Week

- Mon 13 Dec—Prizegiving for children who are attending—1.30p.m. Google Meet
- Mon 13 Dec—Last day for children (surnames A—J)
- Individual reports coming home in sealed envelopes with the eldest child who is attending today (A—J)
- Tues 14 Dec— Last day for children (surnames K—Z)
- Individual reports coming home in sealed envelopes with the eldest child who is attending today (K—Z)
- Wed 15 Dec - Teacher Only Day

Prior Notices for 2022

School begins again on 8 February 2021 at 9 a.m. and we hope to welcome all children back.

Teachers will be involved in Teacher Only days prior to the start of school for children.

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The Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 3 February and Friday 4 February from **9am to 12noon**. At this time stationery will also be available to purchase from the office. Orders for stationery can be prepaid from early January to the school bank account 12 3023 0660531 01. Boxes will be labelled and set aside for collection on these days.

Stationery lists will be on the website in early January.

2022 EOTC/ Camp Dates

These are the dates we have planned for next year at this stage:

Yr 1—2: EOTC 28 March-1 April

Yr 3 & 4: Yet to be decided.

Yr 5—8: Kawau Island—7—11 March



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I wish you all a safe and happy
Christmas and holiday break
Mavis Glasgow
Principal

Year 8 Graduation & Pool Party

