



# 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.

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Week 9  
Monday 4 April 2022

Dear Parents and Community Members

- ◆ **Tena Koutou.**
- ◆ **School Values:** Respect—Kia U, Responsibility—Kia Mau and Resilience—Kia Manawanui
- ◆ **COVID Update—School Cases:** We continue to have Covid cases and those needing to isolate popping up in all classrooms across the school. If you are concerned about the health of your children please keep them at home, test and report their absence to the office. We are having to report student cases to the Ministry of Education each day so it is important that we know if your child is COVID positive. The Ministry of Education have provided us with masks and RAT tests for children. If we are concerned about your child we will give one to you when we send students home. Please request a test if you have concerns and are unable to obtain one.
- ◆ **Freeing up some of our school procedures:** Children will now be able to play outdoors across all areas of the school. We will also be able to have some outdoor gatherings under the new legislation. Masks, ventilation, hygiene actions, staying at home if unwell are still critical to mitigating the risks to students and staff.
- ◆ **New Zealand remains at Red.** (Cabinet is to review the framework colour level today.) After consultation with the Board of Trustees and the staff it has been decided that we will continue with the procedures to mitigate the risks to staff and students by not yet allowing parents onto the school site or into classrooms. Should a meeting between parents and teachers be necessary this will be able to take place and will be arranged for out of school hours. Masks will be compulsory. We all want to reconnect but at this stage we feel that the best thing for our students is having FaceTime in the classroom with their full time teacher. We will review the Health and Safety plan and reconnect school and community when we are able to do so safely.
- ◆ **Thank you to all who attended the PTA AGM Meeting** last week either in person or online. A HUGE thank you to our outgoing executive: Anna Stormont, Jo Wood and Philippa Wensor for all the input and commitment into the PTA over many years. Your efforts have been appreciated. Our new executive committee are: Chairpersons—Stephanie Adams & Delphina Helmbright-Galvin, Secretary—Rebecca Cook, Treasurer—Nadia Retzlaff. Thank you to these ladies for taking on these positions and to others who were happy to form the PTA committee.
- ◆ **PTA Easter Raffle—**The PTA will hold an Easter Raffle. Tickets will be on sale for children before school and at interval from Monday 11 April and will be drawn on the last day of term. Tickets are \$1.00 each.
- ◆ **BOT Meeting—**Thank you to Board members for attending the Board meeting last week. A Board newsletter will come out next week so please look out for this.
- ◆ **School Council Meeting—**Our school council held its first meeting last week and brought lots of ideas to the meeting from classes. The school council will hold a **Casual Dress Day on the last day of term; Thursday 14 April**. Details will be in next week's newsletter. Our Council members are: Prefects (who run the meeting)—Meg, Lachlan and Taylor, Representatives—Kea: Saige, Ellie, Weka—Anders, Delphi, Karearea—Sienna & Tyler, Kakapo—Devon & Alfie, Takahe—Nate & Zoe, Tui—Isla & Ryan, Ruru—Cameron & Ella, Titipounamu—Austin & Milly. Congratulations to you all for being selected to represent your classes.

## Congratulations to:

The following students who received Gold Athletics certificates last week: **Weka:** Lachlan, **Karearea:** Sienna, Kiriana, Amber, Illa, **Kakapo:** Jaxon, Flynn, Phinaya, Ayla, Jak, Tristan, Mason **Takahe:** Coby, Jessica, Lerize, Chloe, Ollie, **Tui:** Holly, **Ruru:** Max, Oakley, Max, **Titipounamu:** Hunter

# Displays of Children's Work in Classrooms



**Tihouponamu's  
Beautiful work**

## Events for This Week

Swimming continues every day

## Events for Next Week

Mon 11—Final day of swimming  
Wed 13—Yr 7 & 8 Technology  
Thursday 14—Easter Raffle Draw  
Thursday 14—Casual Dress Day  
Thursday 14—Final day of Term 1 /Easter break



**Piwakawaka's  
Learning**



## Community Notices

### ANZAC DAY SERVICE

**Monday 25 April at 9.45am**

**Buckland Memorial Cenotaph**

**Light refreshments after the service at Buckland School**



**Anzac Day**

LEST WE FORGET

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them"

### Buckland Community Centre AGM

Buckland School

27 April at 7pm



### Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the autumn holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

**Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy**

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195 per person

19 - 22 April | 25 - 29 April | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach



Limited spaces | Please email to book

surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz

www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz



### Train Pedestrian Crossing Upgrades Starting

On **Monday 4 April** work will begin at the Logan Road and Tuhimata Pedestrian Crossings. The team need access to the existing crossings and so a short diversion will be in place while they are working. Please follow the signage which will mark out the safe alternate route.

The work involves installing new signals, fencing, and an automated gate. It will take about a week to complete. The new signal system won't be completed until later in the year so the new gates will be secured until then.

**FULTON SWIM SCHOOL HOLIDAY INTENSIVES // April 2022.** Have you booked your child into our School Holiday Intensives yet? Is your child hanging out for more learning time in our pool? Do you want to give their water safety and confidence a boost? Book your child online now for our Holiday Intensive program (select their normal class level). Swim one week or two, the choice is yours. Secure your space now  
[www.fultonswimschool.co.nz](http://www.fultonswimschool.co.nz)

**Girls' Rugby Holiday Programme**

**When:** 26th - 28th April 2022  
**Where:** Navigation Homes Stadium, Pukekohe  
**What:** Girls' Rugby Programme  
**Who:** U8-U13 Girls only  
**Cost:** \$150