



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 5 Term 2

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22 May 2023

Dear Parents and Community Members
Tena Koutou

◆ School Values for the Term:

Respect, Resilience, Responsibility

◆ Welcome to our new students

Ronan and Sonam and their families.

◆ **Illnesses**—With our winter arriving we are experiencing high levels of illness in the school, including Covid at the moment. Please be aware of this and continue testing your children if they have Covid symptoms and please do not send them to school with these symptoms. We do not want an outbreak and we also need to respect our staff, some who are undergoing chemotherapy or who have family members who are in the high risk group. We will continue to support mask wearing and have all the hygiene measures in place.

◆ **Franklin Football/Soccer**— Our teams participated well. For some of our children this was the first time they had represented the school and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Results were: Year 8 Boys 1st in B Grade, Year 6 Boys 1st A Grade Section B, 2nd overall, Yr 6 Girls 4th Section 2 B Grade, Year 3 & 4 Girls 4th B Grade.

◆ **Reporting to Parents**—We will hold Three Way Conferences on Tuesday 6 June from 2-5pm and Thursday 8 June from 3.15pm to 8pm. These will be for 15 minute durations. The first part of the conference will give your children the opportunity to share their learning with you with teacher support. If you would like to discuss anything without your child present this can be done in the later part of the conference. Please make an appointment on the Skool loop app or if you are unable to use this platform fill in the form attached and place in the drawer in the office foyer. Mrs Mills will do her best to get the time you want.

◆ **Agricultural Day Chickens**—if you would like to order a chicken to rear for this year's Agricultural Day please use the order form on the bottom of this newsletter. **All chickens must be ordered through our school for uniformity of judging.** It is best to order more than one chicken to allow for mishaps. Information on

rearing chickens from one day old can be found on the school website under Agricultural Day. The cost of each chicken is \$5.50. Orders and money need to be placed in the drawer in the office by Wednesday 31 May. Collection date is Friday 30 June. **Once chickens are ordered you are committed to taking them.**

Thank you to:

- The wonderful groups of parents & whanau who supported and encouraged our children during the three football events last week. A special thank you to those who refereed games and provided transport. Without your help we would not have been able to field our 9 teams.
- Parents who took a group of Year 7 & 8 students to the Writers' Festival in Auckland last week.
- Parents who attended the school assembly on Friday. It was great to be able to finally have one together outside.
- All who supported the Pink Shirt Day on Friday.
- Our School Council representatives for their input into the meeting last week.
- **Punchbowl** for again providing the school with Kiwifruit for our classes and Breakfast Club.

Congratulations to:

- ◆ The following students who received awards at last week's school assembly: **Piwakawaka:** Elizabeth, Ronan, Caleb, Gene, **Titipounamu:** Altus, Ryan, Max, Aanishka, Oliver, Makaia, **Ruru:** Ollie, Leo, Aria, Maria, **Tui:** Zoe, Jordan, Hunter, Alby, **Takahe:** Jack, Max, Hazel, Stella, **Kakapo:** Russell, Holly, Mason, Tom, **Karearea:** Devon, Stephanie, Shaye, Ryan, **Weka:** John, Malan, Karaya, **Kea:** Connor, Charley, Harry, Danielle
- Principal's Awards:** Emily in Weka and Luca in Kea
- School Values Awards:** Evelyn and Freddy in Takahe
- ◆ The following students who received Gold Athletics Certificates at last week's assembly: **Weka:** Anders, **Karearea:** Shay, Indy, Ronan, Miakoda, Kayden, **Kakapo:** Wade,

Takahe: Austin, **Tui:** Ayaan, **Ruru:** Parker, Danika, **Titipounamu:** Brooke

Top Mathlete: Salwa in Kakapo

Top Athletics Class: Titipounamu

Events for This Week

- ⇒ Tues 23 & Fri 26 May—Breakfast Club
- ⇒ Wed 24 May—Yr 7 & 8 Technology
- ⇒ Wed 24 May—Launchpad/Values programmes.
- ⇒ Wed 24 May—Board Meeting 6pm All Welcome in the Board room.
- ⇒ Thurs 25 May—Jump Jam 9 a.m.
- ⇒ Fri 26 May—PTA Mystery Bottle Mufti Day—Kids Bottles (see below)

Events for Next Week

- ⇒ Tues 30 & Fri 2 June—Breakfast Club
- ⇒ Wed 31 May—Launchpad/Values programmes
- ⇒ Thurs 1 June—Jump Jam
- ⇒ Fri 2 June—School Assembly

From the PTA

**PTA Casual Dress Day
Friday 26 May**

Mystery Bottle for a child

Please bring 1 bottle per child. Suggestions are: bubble bath, silly string, coloured hair spray, money/lollies in a bottle.



Wanted: Egg cartons (dozen packs), paper bags and banana boxes. Please deliver to the school office.

PTA DISCO

The PTA **disco** is on Friday 9 June 5.30pm to 8pm. Looking forward to seeing students and parents there for a boogie! Children in Years 5 and under must have adult supervision. Younger siblings (pre-schoolers etc) are able to attend, with adult supervision. This will be held in the School Hall. Theme is **Neon!** Glow sticks and snacks will be available to purchase. Parent helpers are needed on the night. Entry is a beauty product or confectionary item to go towards the Ag Day hampers.

Year 7 & 8 News

Auckland Writers' Festival

When we went to the Aotea Centre on Tuesday 16th of May 2023 for the Auckland Writers' Festival, we had to be at school by 8:00 because we needed to leave school at 8:15. It took an hour and a half to get to the Aotea Centre. When we got there, we walked up the stairs inside of the Aotea Centre into the huge Auditorium housing over 1,000 people all watching the performances. All of us Year 7 and 8 boys had a row to ourselves, to our left sat the girls, in a different row, along with the two parents and our teacher who came along with us to the festival. The lights dimmed and the performances started.

The first speaker was Jason Reynolds, who wrote about his past life experiences, growing up being poor while gun and drug violence were frequent issues that took the lives of many of his friends. Some of his stories are also extremely famous. He collaborated with Marvel to create 'Miles Morales', the original idea or meaning of this story is the quote "Feel like you are the only superhero in your family."

The second speakers were Johanna Emeney and Sarah Laing discussing their story 'Sylvia And The Birds', a story about Johanna's local bird lady, Sylvia Durrant. It discusses Sylvia's life story of how she grew up as a foster child and how she eventually came to release over 140,000 birds back into the wild. It also has stories about her 20 year old apprentice, Charlie, and some of their stories of saving and releasing birds together.

Afterwards, we had a lunch break. We sat down on the carpet to eat, and then we were allowed to either go down to the floor below to get autographs, which had a massive line, or we were allowed to explore the building, get water, and go to the toilet.

For the penultimate speaker, we had Mary-anne Scott and her book 'The Tomo'. It is about a dog who falls down a tomo and has to get rescued by its owner. The story is based on a true story of Mary's grandfather whose dog, Spot, fell down a tomo while chasing a sheep. The dog waited three days for its owner to come back to rescue it. A tomo is a hole in the ground leading to a cave. Mary has also written many other stories, such as Fantastic Mr Bean, Sticking With Pigs and Spearo.

The last speakers for the day were Dahlia and Mani Malaeulu whose books 'Taina Samoa' and 'Tama Samoa' express the feelings of those with Samoan origins living in New Zealand, explaining their experiences. Tama Samoa touches on the experiences of Mani, growing up as a Samoan boy, showing how they struggle with things like the expectations of others, that Samoan men are big burly rugby players and that if you don't play rugby you must be a wimp. For Taina Samoa it includes all of Dahlia's experiences, growing up as a Samoan girl, and expressing how she lived in 'two worlds' speaking only Samoan at home and English everywhere else.

Once the event was over we were all driven back to school, and waited for our parents there. I went home inspired to write a story.

By Fletcher



Football Photos



Community Notices



**Artz on Show School Holiday
Performing Arts Workshop**

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

3 - 7 July 2023, 9am – 4pm daily
Held at Karaka War Memorial Hall
319 Linwood Road, Karaka

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz
or contact Hayley on either
artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129



CASUAL RELIEVERS NEEDED

Young Explorers is looking for new relievers to join our team.

Relieving for us is a great way to experience working with children across all age groups, full of variety where no day is the same!

We want to hear from qualified and unqualified teachers who are looking for casual, flexible work.

This is an on-call relieving position where you may be working full days, or lunch covers. Planned relieving for annual leave cover is also available.

You must be

- Passionate with a caring nature
- Available at short notice
- Able to work up to 5-8 hours a day when needed
- Looking for casual work only

We would love to meet you, introduce you to our team and services and chat to you about our Reliever's role.

Please email your C.V to info@youngexplorers.co.nz or pop in.

**44TH ANNUAL
COUNTIES
MUSIC COMPETITIONS**



2023

Student performances!
Piano, Guitar, Keyboard, Drums,
Ukulele, Vocals, Duets,
Entertainment.

NZ MODERN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

FRANKLIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday 9th June 8.30am to 7pm
Saturday 10th June 8.30am to 7pm

AGRICULTURAL DAY CHICKENS– ORDER FORM (Orders to be in by Wednesday 31 May 2023)



Please supply me with _____ hens at \$5.50 each Total \$_____ enclosed

I understand that I must collect the chickens on Friday 30 June. (Please tick box)

Name _____ Room _____ Signed _____ (Parent Signature)

Three Way Conferences - Student / Parent / Teacher Tuesday 6 June & Thursday 8 June

Please complete this form and return to the drawer in the office by **Friday 2 June**.

Conference requests will be allocated as they are received. **Please provide 3 preferred times—number 1 to 3**

Child's name:	Room No.	Child's name	Room No.
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Tuesday 6 June 2pm—5 pm

2.00—2.15	2.15—2.30	2.30—2.45	2.45—3.00
3.00—3.15	3.15—3.30	3.30—3.45	3.45—4.00
4.00—4.15	4.15—4.30	4.30—4.45	4.45—5.00

Thursday 8 June 3.15pm—8pm

	3.15—3.30	3.30—3.45	3.45—4.00
4.00—4.15	4.15—4.30	4.30—4.45	4.45—5.00
			5.45—6.00
6.00—6.15	6.15—6.30	6.30—6.45	6.45—7.00
7.00—7.15	7.15—7.30	7.30—7.45	7.45—8.00