



# 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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Monday 24 March 2025

Dear Parents and Community Members

Tena Koutou

- ◆ **School Values:** Respect (Kia U), Responsibility (Kia Mau), and Resilience (Kia Manawanui).
- ◆ **Prior Notice—Camp Dates:** Year 3 & 4—Lakewood Lodge—12—13 May. Year 5 & 6 Kauaeranga Valley—15—17 October. Year 7 & 8 Sports Camp—YMCA Camp Adair—Hunua—9—13 June.
- ◆ **Crossing of main road/train tracks**—A reminder to all parents of children who are crossing Buckland Road and the train tracks that it is **your responsibility** to ensure the safety of children crossing. If you are picking children up on the other side of the road please walk across the crossing and collect your children as this crossing is NOT patrolled by the school.

- ◆ **Ngaati Tamaoho combined local schools haka**—Eight of our senior students attended a day at Wesley College with approximately 120 students from local schools in our Kaahui Ako (Community of Schools) and learnt a haka that has been gifted to us. It was an inspirational day and was thoroughly enjoyed by all adults and students who took part. The task of those who attended is now to take this back to their schools and teach it to other students.

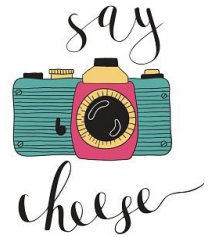


- ◆ **Eye on Nature trip**—Children selected for this trip had a wonderful day and learnt a great deal about mental and physical wellbeing through eating foods that are in season, the importance of music and keeping physically fit, learning how to maintain bikes, etc. Many thanks to parents who joined for the day and who supervised groups. Our children's behaviour was excellent and commented on by instructors.



- ◆ **Spongy Schools trip**—Our Year 5 & 6 students and several older Yr 7 & 8s had a wonderful day at the Botanical Gardens learning about sustainability and land management including planting to prevent erosion and flooding. Children's behaviour was amazing and we were very proud of the children. Educators commented on children's manners, enthusiasm and the level of questioning.
- ◆ **Kapa Haka Group**—Our kapa haka group is working hard on their item for the Franklin Multicultural Festival that will take place this Saturday 29 March. Our group is performing at 2.20p.m. at the Pukekohe Indian Hall.
- ◆ **School Photos**—Photolife Studios will be in school on Friday 4 April to take school photos. All children will have a class and individual photo taken. If you would like to have a sibling/family photo you need to return the flyer

given out last week to the drawer in the office foyer by Thursday 3 April. Children should be listed eldest to youngest. If you want children in family photos to wear mufti you need to indicate this to your children's teacher. Next term you will receive a flyer from Photolife with instructions on how to order and a unique code for ordering.



- ◆ **Disabled Parking**—A reminder that the dedicated disabled park at the school entrance is only to be used by disabled parking permit holders.

## Good Luck to:

- ◆ To our Kapa Haka group for your performance.

## Thank You to:

- ◆ All parents, whanau and staff who supported trips last week.
- ◆ Board members who attended last week's Board meeting.
- ◆ **All** who supported children at the Team Assemblies last Friday.

## Congratulations to:

- All children who received awards at team assemblies last week and to students who presented during the assemblies.
- Indie in Karearea who competed in five motos at the BMX Nationals in Invercargill. Indie achieved a NZ#10 ranking.

## Events for This Week

- ◆ Tues & Fri—Breakfast Club
- ◆ Tues 25 March—School Council meeting
- ◆ Wed 26 March—Ultra Rippa Rugby (Yr 7 & 8)
- ◆ Wed 26 March—Launchpad and Values Groups
- ◆ Thurs 27 March—Rippa Rugby Yr 6 & below
- ◆ Thurs 27 March—Sushi lunches
- ◆ Thurs 27 March—Yr 3 & 4 Camp Meeting in Kakapo at 5 p.m.
- ◆ Fri 28 March—School Assembly—2.30p.m. All Welcome
- ◆ Sat 29 March—Franklin Multicultural festival

## Events for Next Week

- ◆ Tues & Fri—Breakfast Club
- ◆ Wed 2 April—Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Pukekohe Int.
- ◆ Wed 2 April—Auckland Yr 7 & 8 Swimming Championships
- ◆ Thurs 3 April—Sushi lunches
- ◆ Thurs 3 April—PTA Meeting—6.30p.m.
- ◆ Fri 4 April—Photolife class, individual & family photos
- ◆ Fri 4 April—Junior Assembly—2.20p.m. All Welcome
- ◆ Fri 4 April—Middle Assembly—2.30p.m. All Welcome



# PTA News



We will be holding our annual Easter Raffle again this year. Tickets will be on sale during the final week of term. Tickets will also be given to those who bring a Mystery bottle. More information on this later.



If you or a local business you have dealings with would like to donate Easter Eggs or other items for the raffle please drop these off to the school office. The Raffle will be drawn at the end of Term 1.



## Spongy Schools

## Eye On Nature



## Community Notices

Could YOUR team be crowned Buckland's Best Brains?

# Quiz Night

FRIDAY 28 MARCH @ 7PM

Buckland Community Hall

### Autumn 2025 Holiday Programme

**KIDS AFTER SCHOOL**

Based at Pukekohe Hill School  
12 Green Lane, Pukekohe  
Programme: 027 694 3011  
WINZ Subsidies available for eligible families  
Office: 09 236 4078 admin@kidsafterschool.co.nz

Click the **BOOK NOW** button on our website [www.kidsafterschool.co.nz](http://www.kidsafterschool.co.nz)

<b>Monday 14th April</b> <b>Embrace Autumn!</b> Leaf painting, pinecone crafts, autumn relays and games-come dressed in autumn colours! hello AUTUMN \$35	<b>Tuesday 15th April</b> <b>TRIP DAY 8yrs+Hobbiton</b> We're on an adventure to this famous movie set in Matamata! 8am-4pm Day \$70 <b>INHOUSE:</b> Dress up for exciting games, hunts & crafts \$35	<b>Wednesday 16th April</b> <b>TRIP DAY: Event Manukau</b> Movie pick of the holidays: <b>Minecraft</b> Movie food* add order in comments* BEFORE confirming booking. \$60	<b>Thursday 17th April</b> <b>Easter Eggstravaganza!</b> Hop on in for cute bunny & chick crafts, yummy easter baking & an easter egg hunt of course! \$35	<b>Friday 18th April</b> Good Friday Programme Closed
<b>Monday 21st April</b> Easter Monday Programme Closed	<b>Tuesday 22nd April</b> <b>Barn Dance</b> Yeehaw! Get your cowboy boots ready for a boogie! Line dancing, games & prizes for best dressed! \$35	<b>Wednesday 23rd April</b> <b>VISITING TUTOR: Tie Dye</b> Add some colour to your wardrobe with your very own tie dye creation to take home! \$45	<b>Thursday 24th April</b> <b>Lest We Forget</b> Show support for our service men & women with poppy art, baking & games from times past. \$35	<b>Friday 25th April</b> ANZAC Day Programme Closed

Prices listed above are for our Main Programmes 8am to 3pm  
Full Day discount\* 7am-6pm session \$50-excludes Trip/visitor days  
Before & after care add ons: 7am-8am (\$8), 3pm-4.30pm (\$11) & 3pm-6pm (\$15)  
Sibling discounts & half day options available contact our KAS office for more details  
See our website for other KAS Programmes available in your area!

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