

Welcome to Piwakawaka

Welcome to Term 2. Mrs T and Mrs McMillan are your child's classroom teachers this year.

We will ensure your child has a happy and positive start to school, welcome to the best nest!

Starting school can be a worrisome and anxious time, this is perfectly normal and to be expected.

Please support us by allowing your child to carry their own bag and setting themselves up ready for the school day. They will be supported and encouraged to do this while at school.

A quick, happy goodbye before the bell goes, lets your child know that they will be ok and that they will have a happy school day.

School starts at 8:55 am and finishes at 2:55pm. Please meet us at the school gate at pick up time. We will bring them out, packed and ready for you.

Library:

We visit the library on Friday's. Students can take home one book of their choosing. Please return library books by the following week to ensure a new book can be issued.

Reading:

Your child will have a book bag to keep a variety of reading material throughout the week. There is often an easy reading book, a weekly poem, a library book and sometimes a book of their own choosing. It may be a book they have already read. Please enjoy reading together everyday and make this a special time and relaxed time.

Home Learning:

Please read together and talk about books shared each day. ABC cards will be sent home to practise saying letter names and the sounds they make. Regular practice will help your child's progress in class. We are lucky to have Reading Eggs and Mathletics subscriptions. Passwords and login

details will be sent home to enable you to access these valuable learning sites.

Fun Friday - Discovery Time:

Students are able to explore their own interests through “guided play.” Discovery Time is a valuable part of our class programme that is constantly refined and targeted to match the needs and interests of our diverse learners.

Assemblies:

All assemblies are held on Friday afternoons 2:30 - 2:50 pm
Whole school assemblies are on EVEN weeks. (Outside, weather permitting).

Team assemblies are on ODD weeks. (In Titipounamu)
You are warmly invited to attend any of these assemblies.

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your family.
Welcome to Buckland School, it is a great place!

Kind regards
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