

DUKEKOHE EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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LEADERSHIP ROLES 2012



HOUSE LEADERS:

Red House: Ciara Brydon and Catherine Burr
Blue House: Jessica Drake and Ben Rawnsley
Green House: Ben Johnstone and Ashleigh Harlick
Yellow House: Devon Paranihi and Briah McLeod



PALS (Physical Activity Leaders):

Ciara Brydon, Dylan Harris, Jessica Drake, Briah McLeod, Briar Limmer, Kara Murray, Amber Manuell, Connor van Lieshout, Matthew Bowers, Devon Paranihi



LIBRARIANS:

Devlin Lynden, Samara Bennett, Eden Hawkins, Alexis Migounoff, Sanchia Walker, Catherine Burr, Sam Purdy

PRINCIPAL'S HEADLINES

Summer seems to be here one minute, followed by thunderstorms the next. Well done to those families who cater for their children's needs by providing hats and raincoats at this time of the year!

The weather certainly helped us enjoy the **school picnic** and **swimming sports**. It was a great way to start our school year. Major support from the PTA was instrumental in the success of our picnic. Offers from many parents enabled our swimming sports to run smoothly. Buckland School was certainly an ideal venue for our students and we have been invited back again next year.

Approximately 30 families came to our information evening where the **EOTC programme** was explained before meeting the classroom teachers. Costs for these camps are on our website and further information will be coming home.

Thank you to those dads who came and put stones on our **adventure playground**. Hopefully this will assist with drainage. Bark to be put on next.

The staff and I appreciate the support with **picking up your children** in the afternoon. Everyone meeting on the court is working well. Please exit the school from the top gates, as the bus leaves at the same time as most of you leave the school grounds.

You are welcome to attend our whole school assembly on **Friday at 2pm**. The swimming certificates will be presented along with the presentation of our trophies to the junior and senior champions.

Merillees Nicholls, Principal

Some of our students entered several categories in the Franklin A&P show last weekend. Prizes were awarded to :

First in Rock Painting – Samara Bennett
First in Article of Sewing – Sanchia Walker
First in Chocolate Biscuits – Viliami Fonokalafi
First in Succulent Garden – Alexis Migounoff
First in Hand Decorated Biscuits – Sophie Hutchinson
First in Weed Arrangement – Sophie Hutchinson
First in Handwork or Craft – Lauren Hutchinson

Second in An item of Jewellery – Sanchia Walker
Second in Rock Painting – Teah Campbell

Third in Decorated and Iced Cupcakes – Matthew Bowers
Third in Rock painting – Kara Murray
Third in Greeting Card – Maya Silwood
Third in Pencil drawing – Jessica Drake
Third in Sand Saucer – Lauren Hutchinson
Third in Crown – Handmade – Lauren Hutchinson

Congratulations to everyone who participated.

REMINDER

School contributions for term 1 2012 are due now, however those who wish to pay in full during term 1 will go in a draw to win their contribution back. The draw will take place at Whole School Assembly on 5 April. Most families should have received statements by now. If you have any queries, please contact the office.

THE TUDOR BANQUET

Have you organised a costume for your child yet? Instructions were sent home with your children last year. If you are new to the school, or are still unsure, please contact Charmaine McNeil as soon as possible.

Has anyone got any plastic fruit, vegetables, old panti hose or citronella in bamboo poles which could be used as props in our musical?

JUNIOR SLEEPOVER

The Junior Sleepover takes place next week. **All health and permission slips and payments MUST be returned to school by this Friday, 24 February.**

GUITAR TUITION

Renton Brown, an experienced teacher and musician in the Franklin area for many years, will again be teaching guitar here at school on Wednesday afternoons. He offers one to one tuition or in small groups of two or three, and students must be aged 8 or over. If your child is interested in learning the guitar, please call at the office for more information and an application form. Could pupils from last year who wish to continue also complete an application form.

PUKEKOHE EAST NETBALL CLUB



Reminder Notice for Year 4 - 6

Pukekohe East Netball Trials tonight 5.45pm at Pukekohe Netball Centre.

Future Ferns (ages 7-9) do not need to trial. If your child did not bring home a notice but they are interested in playing netball for our school, please see the office.

NEW ZEALAND MODERN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Considering in-school piano/keyboard lessons for your child? Contact Nicole Baker Dip MSM on 021 034 5716 or 09 238 4616 or email nicoleandrews@clear.net.nz.

Nicole conducts lessons in our school on Thursdays and Fridays.



Dates to Remember!

TERM 1			
Dates	Times	Events	Check
22 Feb	7.15pm	BOT Meeting	
24 Feb	2.00pm	Whole School Assembly	Oaks
1-2 Mar		Junior Camp Year 1-2	
6 Mar		Triathlon at Clarks Beach	See Website
8 Mar		PTA Mufti Day / Sausage Sizzle	Gold Coin
16 Mar		Whole School Assembly	Totara, Pines, Titoki
20-22 Mar		School Production	Whole School
26-30 Mar		Year 3-5 Camp	
3 April	1.30pm - 7.00pm	Learning Forums (School Closes Early)	Bus Times
5 April	2.00pm	LAST DAY OF TERM 1 Whole School Assembly	Kowhai
23 April		TERM 2 STARTS	

Class Parent Liaisons

These people are vital to enable better communication between home and school. We need two parents from every class to volunteer to be these liaison people. Please send your name and email address to the office as soon as possible if you are interested. You will be notified when we have a list of names.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Does your child love to sing? Do you want them to learn lifelong vocal skills and enjoy being part of costumed performances? We have a few vacancies in our popular junior award-winning vocal groups for 6 to 13 year olds.

Please contact Lynda McDowall AIRMT at 238 5861 and visit our website www.majorsnminors.com for photos and general information. This is our 19th year of providing quality music programmes in the Pukekohe East area.

PUKEKOHE JUNIOR RUGBY FUNDRAISER

Garage Sale

Pukekohe East Hall

Saturday 25th February, 8am



Thank you very much to the Gordon family for donating a large number of pre-loved books in top condition for our library. Much appreciated!



Action from the recent Swimming Sports held at Buckland School.

House results:

- 1st Red House
- 2nd Yellow House
- 3rd Green House
- 4th Blue House

A full table of individual results is available on the website.