



Banks Avenue School



Living and Learning with HEART

Te oranga me te ako ki te Ngākau

NEWSLETTER

14 March 2018

Hi, kia ora, Namaste, Kon-nichiwa, An-nyong, Ha-se-yo

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Friday 16 March	School Assembly
Thursday 22 March	BoT meeting 6:16pm in the Sky Room – all welcome
Tuesday 27 March	Stress and Children – Parent Session 7:00 – 8:00pm in the Library
Wednesday 28 March	Cultural Day – parade at 1:15pm
Friday 30 March	Good Friday – school closed
Monday 2 April	Easter Monday – school closed
Tuesday 3 April	Easter Tuesday – school closed
Monday 9 April	Junior and Senior Cross Country
Wednesday 11 April	Junior and Senior Cross Country postponement day
Thursday 12 April	Last Day Term 1 – children dismissed at 3:00pm
Friday 13 April	Teacher Only Day
Wednesday 25 April	ANZAC Day – in school holidays
Monday 30 April	Term 2 begins

Banks Avenue School trip / event postponements and or cancellations will only be heard on NEWSTALK ZB 1098AM and CLASSIC HITS and viewed on our website: www.banksave.school.nz

SCHOOLGEN LINK: <http://schoolgen.co.nz/schoolgen-schools/banks-avenue-school-christchurch>

If your child is absent from school, for any reason, please let our school office know using one of the following options:
Phone: 385 4163 / option 3 text 027 422 8032 email: office@banksave.school.nz
Or notify us via our website: <http://www.banksave.school.nz/absences.html> or via our Flexibuzz app: www.flexibuzz.com
If your child arrives at school after 9:00 am they must check in at the office. This saves a lot of phone calls for unexplained absences in order to ensure the safety of all our children

Dear Parents and Whānau

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou – a warm welcome to you all.

A warm welcome to the following children and their families to our Banks Avenue School community.



Mythis E Rm 10 Keahe D Rm 9

Riley Rm 1

'HOT SHOT' LEARNER'



Nimeet in Keas shows HEART by having a positive attitude towards his learning. He displays respect and is kind. He is trying hard and embracing all new learning.

Ka pai Nimeet.



Family Easter Fun Night at Bunnings on Thursday 22 March 5:30 – 7:30-pm.

HEART Tokens

Congratulations to the following children who have all earned **25 HEART tokens** - well done!

Hauroa: Mary-Anne S, Solomon T, Levi D, Hank J and Teralee H (Roto).

Excellence: Lucy C (Tuis).

Aroha: Gabriel G (Tuis).

Respect: James G (Tuis), Sophie F and Kahlia G (Roto).



Fifty HEART Tokens

Congratulations - these children have earned a wristband.

Excellence: Tyler W, Nofaga M (Rm 7), Finn W (Tuis), Paige B (Keas).

Respect: Zeppelin K, Maryam A (Rm 7), Peppa C, Judah C-P, Vincent H, William M-S, Luke P (Tuis) and Pheonix M (Keas).



HEARTbeat 106.7FM

Don't forget to tune into our radio station, Heartbeat 106.7 FM. If you live further away than 6 kms, then you can listen online. Just go to our school website and press play. Here is the link:

<http://www.banksave.school.nz/heartbeat-1067fm.html>



Teacher Paid Union Meetings - school operating on skeleton staff

You may be aware of the nationwide crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

Children need teachers with enough time to teach so they can give each child the attention they deserve, and children need talented and inspiring people to be attracted to teaching. Children are missing out on some opportunities to learn because teachers are bogged down in administration or are struggling to get enough support for children with additional learning needs.

Teachers at our school are joining an NZEI Te Riu Roa campaign, called *Kua Tae Te Wā – It's Time* to address these issues. The goal is to free teachers to teach, and

principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. And we'll attract more people to teaching by respecting and paying them as the professionals they are.

NZEI Te Riu Roa members at our school have been invited to paid union meetings on **Tuesday March 20 and Wednesday March 21** so that they can plan and discuss the campaign and their upcoming collective agreement negotiations. On both these days BAS will be operating on a skeleton staff in the afternoon. *Although we are not officially closing parents are encouraged to [pick their children up at lunch time to reduce the load.](#)*

Our children deserve the best education in the world, and New Zealand can afford to provide it. It's just a matter of priorities. Thanks for your co-operation in this important matter.



PTA News

The PTA would like to acknowledge the help, input and hard work that our outgoing Chairperson, Katrina, has done for the PTA. Katrina has been a wonderful Chairperson, always going that extra mile to ensure that the PTA is achieving the best for the children. Katrina has been part of the PTA for a number of years and we will certainly miss her enthusiasm and smiley face. Thank you for all your hard work Katrina!



UNIFORM SHOP – the Uniform Shop will be open this coming Monday (19 March) from 8:45-9:15am. **Cash only please.**

HELP NEEDED!! Do you have 30 minutes to help once or twice a term to give out the lunches (12:20 -12:55pm): If you do please contact Randi on 021 242 1000. Without your help we will be unable to keep Lunch Online going.



ASSEMBLY
This Friday 16 March
2:00pm start
In the Library