



Banks Avenue School



"Learning today to succeed tomorrow"
Kia mau ki ngā akoranga, kia tau ai āpōpō

NEWSLETTER

28 October 2015

Hi, kia ora, goeie dag, haileo, jou sanh, goedendag

Number 31

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| Friday 30 October | Last day for school photo orders |
| Monday 2 November | Last day for Scholastic Book orders, both at school and online |
| Friday 6 November | Whole School Assembly – 2:15 pm – all welcome |
| Monday 9 November | PTA meeting – 7:00 pm in the Staffroom – all welcome |
| 9 Nov – 20 November | Aquagym – Team Totara |
| Friday 13 November | Canterbury Show Day – school is closed for the day |
| Tuesday 17 November | BOT meeting 6:30 pm in the Sky Room – all welcome |
| Thursday 19 November | Kids in Town |
| Friday 27 November | Kapa haka children performing at Shirley Kindy at 1:30 pm |
| Tuesday 1 December | Junior Module Athletics – postponement day 4/12 |
| Thursday 3 December | Family Celebration Evening |
| Tuesday 8 December | New Entrant Parent meeting 1:45 pm – 2:50 pm by invitation |
| Thursday 10 December | Junior Module Fun Day |
| Monday 14 December | Year 6 Leavers Ceremony 7:00 pm at Shirley Intermediate School |
| Tuesday 15 December | Junior Module Carols at 2:30 pm |
| Wednesday 16 December | Final Assembly 12:00noon. Children dismissed at 12:30 pm |

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 on 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>

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.

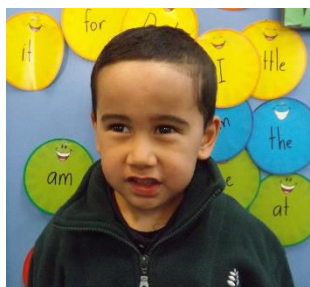
Dear Parents and Whānau

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

A special big Banks Avenue School welcome to the following children and their families who joined our school community this week.



Natalia
Rm 10



Lakai
Rm 10

I hope all families managed to do something enjoyable over the long weekend. I felt blessed to have several hours in my garden pottering – simple things in life can give so much pleasure!

I had the pleasure of watching one of our senior students Jessie K. share her PIA (Pride in Achievement) challenge yesterday. Jessie had completed her challenge on flight. As a part of her challenge she presented a short speech on flight but then she split the class into three groups and had them rotate around different activities to do with flight. One group were on a flight simulator while the other two groups got to fly model aeroplanes and



helicopters. She had even arranged two amazing prizes for the two students who showed the most promise flying. This was an awesome PIA presentation and I was truly proud of how Jessie enthused and shared her passion for flight with other students. Imagine if one day one of those students become a pilot because of Jessie's teaching. Well done Jessie – you truly are a motivated learner and teacher!



Daniel and Otis - winners of Jessie's flying contest.

Pool key for Hire

We are very lucky that each year Shirley Intermediate let us hire keys to their school pool. Below are the details for how to do this. Thanks Mr Siave and staff for your generosity!

Key hire

Primary families can hire school keys for \$60.00 for the full period to the end of March 2016. \$10.00 is refundable when the key is returned. There is a contract available for viewing at school. We will load this on our website. The pool is not available until 6:00 pm on school days. Throughout January the pool will be open to the public from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays. Key holders would not have key access on those twelve opening sessions. They would have to pay the entry price. But they would have key access outside those times. Check our website for a copy of the contract, and sign up and pay at the school office.



Leaving Banks Avenue???

Many thanks to the parents who have already notified us that their children will not be returning to Banks Avenue School in 2016. We are just about to make up classes for 2016 so we need to know if your child is leaving Banks Avenue School ASAP. Please contact the office: Phone 385 4163 or email: office@banksave.school.nz

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Last week I let you know that we will shortly be inviting parents down to see Dudley classes in action. To help us with our preparation for this visit we want to prepare a FAQ fact sheet on questions parents have about collaborative teaching and learning, changes in education and the shift to innovative learning spaces. If you have a question please click on the link below: <http://www.banksave.school.nz/faq-modern-learning-practice.html>. This page is under the 'Our School' heading on our website. You can also submit your questions via email to tmora@banksave.school.nz or return the slip below.

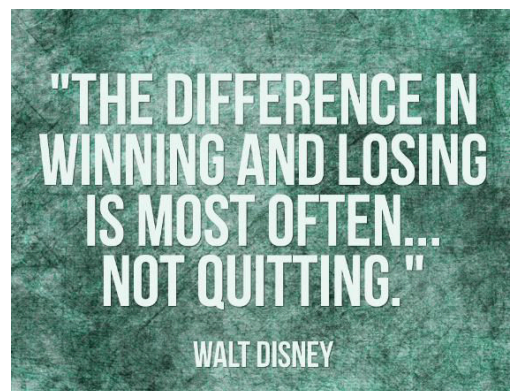
Staffing 2016

Next year we will be beginning the year with fifteen classes. That is the same as this year. We currently have two teaching positions being advertised in the senior school. One is for a permanent teacher and the other is for a fixed term teacher. We hope to make these appointments in the next three weeks. In our budget for 2016 we are building in money to put teacher aides into classrooms. If you have an interest in being a teacher aide for a few hours a week and have some experience please let me know – principal@banksave.school.nz Next year we will officially advertise these positions.

Go the All Blacks!!

National pride is a wonderful thing- hopefully this weekend we all get a huge dose of it!

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER
LET'S ALL WEAR BLACK
TO SUPPORT OUR BOYS!
It's either black or school uniform on Friday



Scholastic Book Orders

Last day for orders both to the office and online is:
Monday 2 November

'HOT SHOT' LEARNER



Blade has been working very hard at his number lines in maths. His teachers, Ms Thompson and Mr Josland have noticed an excellent attitude towards his learning.

Well done Blade. Keep up the great work 😊

AQUAGYM – TEAM TOTARA REMINDER ALL MONIES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER.

If you need help or support with your payments,
please contact Colleen at the school office.
Swim Programme begins Monday 9 November.

All Blacks kick the ball
All Blacks never loose
All Blacks like weetbix

The best team is the All Blacks
Line Outs
All Blacks are awesome

By Rylee Room 16

All Blacks kick the ball
Line outs
Like to kick the ball
Backs kick over the post
Like passing the ball
A winning team
Conversions
Kick the ball
Scrum

By Donovan Room 16

DISCOVERY TIME IN ROOMS 1 & 2

In Room 1 and 2 we have been learning about money. We baked cookies, muffins and decorated biscuits. Today we had a shop at Discovery time and could spend the money we had also made. Benjamin, Kate and Quinley were the shopkeepers. Muffins cost \$1.20, cookies cost \$1.70, decorated biscuits cost 50c and coloured water was 40c. We had fun shopping!



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Next meeting
Tuesday 17 November at 6:30 pm
In the Sky Room
All welcome



Halloween Music Concert featuring Romi from Room 16

Romi has shown a huge interest in music since he was a wee tot, specifically rock music so I began taking him to drum lessons with an incredible self taught Guitar and Drum tutor, Danial Neale from RockitCHCH around 3 months ago. After a couple of lessons it was decided that Romi would participate in the upcoming Halloween Rock Variety Show at the Aurora Centre on 31 October 2015, which showcase a variety of talents from rockitCHCH students who range from 6 years old through to 67! Romi has been working hard to perfect his first song to play at the concert by his rock Idols, KISS, (who he had the honour of witnessing just recently in concert!).

The show also features musical performances by special guests musicians, Rock covers band 'BC Beasts', entertainment from 'Z Squad' and also the extremely talented young St Martins school rock band 'The Menace'.

The show is also a fundraiser for a great cause, so every \$3 from each ticket sold goes to Cat Rescue Christchurch! Tickets are Adults \$25 and Children \$17.

Tickets available online at www.eventopia.co/halloweenrock
Visit www.rockitchch.com for more info



Well done Romi...this is awesome....you rock!

PTA NEWS & EVENTS

Next PTA meeting:

Monday 9 November at 7:00 pm
in the staffroom
All welcome



Uniform Shop CASH ONLY

Shop dates this term from 2.45-3.15 pm
30 October
6 November

For any enquires outside of these dates please contact Katrina on 021 899 141

COMMUNITY NEWS

As part of a service to our local community we publish information about community services and activities in our Community News column. While we are happy to publish these notices, we do not run any background checks on any individuals or community groups who provide information to be published.

HALLOWEEN NIGHT AT BUNNINGS SHIRLEY

Bunnings Shirley would like to invite all children up to 12 years old to our Trick or Treat night in store on
WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER – TONIGHT!
From 6:00 – 7:30 pm.
PRIZE FOR BEST COSTUME

Frequently Asked Questions about Future Focused Teaching and Learning FFTL

My question is....

Another question is.....

Or you can submit your question via this link: <http://www.banksave.school.nz/faq-modern-learning-practice.html>.