



# Banks Avenue School

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



## NEWSLETTER

27 September 2017

Hi, kia ora, Guten Tag, Namaste, Kon-nichiwa

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### Friday 29 September

Friday 29 September  
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Monday 16 October  
Friday 20 October

### Loud Shirt Day – gold coin donation

Assembly – 2:00pm in the Library  
Term 3 ends – children dismissed at 3:00pm  
Term 4 begins  
HEARTbeat 106.7FM opening at 2:30pm outside library

*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](http://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](mailto:office@banksave.school.nz)**  
Or notify us via our website: <http://www.banksave.school.nz/absences.html> or via our Tiqbiz app: [www.tiqbiz.com](http://www.tiqbiz.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.

Phew just about at the end of the term! I hope parents and tamariki are feeling invigorated with the warmer weather and longer nights. It's been a busy last couple of weeks with our school disco, book week, senior athletic sports, basketball finals, CSO performances, junior poetry competition and a myriad of meetings to name a few things. I think we all deserve a bit of non-contact time.

Term 4 begins on Monday 16 October and the school year finishes on Monday 18 December.

I hope everyone has a relaxing and safe holiday break and returns refreshed for Term 4.

### **2018 - Students not returning**

We are already looking ahead to 2018, sorting our staffing and thinking about where children will be placed next year. In order to have some accuracy around this we must know if there are any students who **will not** be returning to BAS in 2018. Obviously we are aware we will lose 48 year sixes but we also know that for a variety of reasons other students will not be coming back. Please email [office@banksave.school.nz](mailto:office@banksave.school.nz) if you know or suspect your child will not be returning in 2018. Give their name and their class number. Thanks for helping us.

### Start date 2018

School will start on Wednesday 31 January. There will be two Teacher Only Days before we start back. The office will be open for enrolments and enquiries on Monday 29 January and Tuesday 30 January.

### Assembly

There is an end of term assembly this Friday but it will be lacking some of the ICT *whiz bang* that Tracey brings to assemblies. We will have a school beehive presented to us from New World, we have the senior athletics cup to present, Room 17 will show the film they made for the digi awards competition and there will be many HEART certificates given out. We will also announce who the winning house for this term is and they will get a small treat. As always parents are welcome to attend but please be aware seating is at a premium in our library.

### HEART Tokens

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

**Hauora:** Olivia A, Hidayat A, Harry B, Toby K, Xanth, Joel McK, Sione N, Daniel S, Issi T, Tyler UT, Jared K, Ava W, Sophie McT, Locky M, Hamish P, Natalia S, Holly B, Sasha Mac, Fraser R, Niko S, Ben S, Zavier S, Tessa S, Kayla W, Madi C, Mia H, Crewe P, Keegan V, Caitlin W, Isaac C, Roddy G, Ruby-May M and Annabel P (Dudley).

**Excellence:** Rylan E, Solomon T, Dillon V, Hazel Y, Emily H, Regan G and Andy T (Rm 7). Adara B, Lily S, Amelia B and Tyler McG (Rm 8). Khaydon E, Jesse L, Sione N, Jared K, Keegan V and Caitlin W (Dudley).



**Aroha:** Zade K and Ryder L (Rm 2). Lachlan K (Dudley).

**Respect:** Christopher P, Luke P, Nevaeh H and Emma R (Rm 2). Rylan E (Rm 7). Kayleigh P, Jakob G, Jack E and Milly L (Rm 8). Jonathan D (Rm 18). Niko S and Jared K (Dudley).

**Togetherness:** Race R, Christopher P and Summer B (Rm 2). Riley M (Rm 7). Jayden K (Rm 8). Maddie W and Rawiri H (Rm 9). Toby K, Xanthe L, Joel McK, Tesse S, Mia H, Jared Ki, Sophie McT and Caitlin W (Dudley). Ruby W, Tyler J, Eva M, Bradley C, Aiden S and Caitlin McW (Roto).

### Wristbands

Congratulations to these children - you have earned your **wristband** by having 50 HEART tokens - an awesome effort!

**Excellence:** Jaydah F, Azayah N (Rm 17). Khaydon E, Jesse L, Holly Bl, Jared K, Ava W, Hamish P and Kegan S (Dudley). Sam P, Harry S, Leo S, Rory S, Eva M, Kaia McC, Aiden S and Aiden Mc (Roto).



**Respect:** Harry S, Caitlin McW (Rm 25).

**Togetherness:** Ethan T, Ashlyn G, Douglas B, (Roto).

A reminder: if children lose their wristbands they can pay \$2 to get a replacement.

**Double Wristbands** - if children earn a second wristband in the same value they get lunch with me in Term 4.

**Excellence:** Jesse L (Dudley).

### **IPADs, Laptops and Cell phones**

A reminder about a few of our expectations in relation to children bringing any ICT equipment to school.

**Cell Phones:** some parents like their children to have a cell phone at school in case there is an emergency. If this is the case then a letter needs to be written to the class teacher explaining this and the cell phone needs to be handed in to the class teacher each day for safe keeping. It cannot be kept in their bags, desks or tote trays.

**Laptops and iPADS:** Sometimes children are allowed to bring their digital devices from home. When they do this they also need to be handed into the teacher for safekeeping. We have had some children filming children secretly and inappropriately. We have also had devices taken from bags. *These guidelines are to keep devices safe and allow us to know technology is being used for appropriate and specific purposes.*

### **Class HEART Stars**

Every class has a child / children who have earned more HEART tokens than any other child in their room. These children are our Class HEART stars. Congratulations to these tamariki; you will all be able to choose a Duffy book - see Ms Carroll after assembly on Friday.

Rm	Name	Rm	Name	Rm	Name
1	Oscar B	9	Maddie W	18	Kate B
2	Race R	10	Nofoaga M	Dudley	Madi C Sophie McT
5	Bradley E	Tui	Lucy C	24	Lucas B
7	Xavier S		Ryan C	25	Ethan T
8	Kayleigh P	17	Lucas B	Awa	Bayleigh T

## 'HOT SHOT' LEARNER'



Kai Kai is a motivated learner who tries hard in everything she does. She has good ideas for her stories and loves to share these with the class. She has made good progress with maths, is a talented artist and can recite funny poems.

We are really proud of her achievements. ☺

**LOUD SHIRT DAY**  
**THIS FRIDAY, 29 September**  
**GOLD COIN DONATION**  
**We are raising money to support deaf children**  
**to learn to hear and speak.**

## Junior Module Poetry Extravaganza

On Friday the Junior Module had their annual poetry recitation session. Many children had been learning to recite a poem off by heart and to perform it in front of their class. Each class or collaborative partnership then chose representatives to present their poems to the whole module, i.e., in front of over 250 people. Ms Carroll was the judge and she listened very carefully to each one to decide who recited their poem enthusiastically, clearly and loudly enough to be heard, who was well prepared and who used actions, posture and eye contact to gain the audience's attention. It was so hard to decide who won each year group category that there were several ties.

The winners were:

New Entrants: Walter B and Ella D.

Year One: Jakob G.

Year Two: Alex H.

Year Three: McKenzie T, Casper T and Ryder M.

Each of these children won a Duffy book and all of the finalists will receive a certificate in the assembly on Friday.

## Thank you for the generous donation to our library.

We have had a grandparent of a child at BAS donate a considerable amount of money to our school library. This was an incredibly generous gesture and it will benefit all children in the school by allowing us to buy some new library books. We are truly grateful!



## Fundraising Successes

We have an incredible group of parents who meet regularly to discuss and prepare funding applications to different charities. These ladies have worked tirelessly behind the scenes and have raised over \$25,000 so far this year to support initiatives around the school. Some of their successes follow:

- 10 mountain bikes, helmets and highvis vests.
- 15 iPad minis, imac and mac mini.
- 20 Chromebooks.
- Signage and artwork for our HEART values plus duty vests with HEART logo.
- Portable Gazebo with HEART logo for sporting and community events.

There are more applications processed that we are waiting to hear the outcomes.

Cath, Merodie, Fiona, Marilyn and Vanessa...you are amazing. You certainly are helping BAS to be *Better than Before!*

## Health and Safety - you can help!

Health and Safety of our tamariki is always a number one priority. It is gut wrenching when accidents occur during school hours. We endeavour to identify and mitigate all risks - you can help us!

**Parking and traffic congestion:** We all know how bad this is around the school. We have had another accident outside the school and another near miss. We plead with parents and caregivers to continue to be extra vigilant, especially before and after school. We have three school entrances; Banks Avenue, Strathfield Ave and Belfield Street. We also have plenty of parking just around the corner on River Road. Consider parking a bit further away and walking in to collect your children.

**Yellow Lines:** It is illegal to park on yellow lines during certain hours. We have yellow lines outside of our school on Banks Avenue; these are there as vision becomes restricted and the road becomes blocked if people park on them. Please don't do this; not only is it a huge safety issue but I have also had staff abused when they have nicely asked people to move; this becomes awkward for everyone.



**General:** There may be other hazards around the school that we have missed. If you spot something and think it could be a danger let your child's teacher know or let the office know. We want all children, staff and whanau to be safe in and around our school environment so please help us!

HEARTbeat 106.7FM  
Opening Friday 20 October  
2:30pm outside our Library.  
Everyone is welcome to come and join in this celebration.

## PTA Happenings



Have you done your Abacus Calendars order yet? So easy go online and put your child's code and shop away.

## Dental Care over the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:45am until 12:30pm from the Hillmorton Community Clinic, Sylvan Street, Christchurch for the following times:



Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
(excluding weekends) and  
Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> October to Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
(excluding weekends)

This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 846 983.

## Hui Feedback

I had a really lovely afternoon with several parents recently. We discussed what made their children special and how as a school we can continue to help them reach their potential. As a school we are reviewing our curriculum so we asked *what parents wanted for their tamariki- what were their dreams for them.* Interestingly most of the things brought up were dispositions or personal qualities. Below is a summary of the discussion.

What do our parents want for their children? They want them to have the following skills, knowledge and dispositions:

Skills	Knowledge	Dispositions / Attitudes
Reflective Learn from mistakes Can control emotions Leadership Assertive Independent Form and maintain relationships Risk taker	Mental health in curriculum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friendships</li> <li>• Knowing self/self esteem</li> <li>• Acceptance of others /diversity</li> <li>• How to support others</li> <li>• How to be positively assertive</li> <li>• What makes us happy- how to build happiness</li> <li>• How to cope with emotions</li> </ul> Hauora health -what it means to be healthy Sustainability in curriculum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recycling</li> <li>• Resource management</li> </ul> EOTC in curriculum Global citizen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aware of other cultures and religions</li> <li>• Connecting with others globally</li> </ul>	Positive self esteem Confident Happy Positive relationships/friends Be loved/ loving Compassionate Healthy Positive relationships/friends Experience success Safe Successful Support from others Satisfied with their jobs/roles Reach potential Find a passion in life Moral / honest /integrity Dedicated Persevere - don't give up Brave/courageous

What do you think? Is there anything you think we should add or anything you disagree with? In term four I will be targeting more groups of parents and asking for your thoughts. You are also welcome to email any ideas to [principal@banskave.school.nz](mailto:principal@banskave.school.nz)

Hapaitia te ara tika pumau ai te  
rangatiratanga mo nga uri whakatipu.  
Foster the pathway  
of knowledge to strength, independence  
and growth for future generations.