



Banks Avenue School

Living And Learning With **HEART**

Te oranga me te ako ki te Ngākau

Newsletter 29 – Te pānui o te kura o Banks Avenue: Wednesday 29 October 2021

Bienvenidos, karibu, maligayang pagdating, welkom, haere mai

Term 3

From the Principal - *Te pū kāea a te Tumuaiki*

Kia ora tātou

The holidays are almost here! For teachers it's a chance to catch up on marking and assessments and to begin planning for our very busy Term 4. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxed break; we look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 4.

Vaccinations

I had an email from a parent, concerned that we were going to be vaccinating children at school, without parents permission.

No vaccinations are scheduled to occur on our school grounds. If, in the future, this changes, parents would be notified. We would **NEVER** vaccinate a child without parents permission.

Looking Ahead to 2022 - is your child leaving?

Term 4 is only nine weeks long which means we have a lot to fit in! One of the things we do early in Term 4 is make up classes for 2022. To do this we need to know the names of any children (apart from year 6's) who will be leaving during the term or at the end of the year. If you know your family is moving please email office@banksave.school.nz to let us know.

I love My Job

There are many moments each week that warm my heart.

On Monday I visited Room 10 and got presented with flowers from McGuiness. He had brought them to school on Friday for me and they had survived the weekend. Thanks wee man for thinking of me!



IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October

Friday 1 October - last day of Term 3
Monday 18 October - Term 4 begins
Monday 25 October Labour day
School closed

November

Friday 12 November - Show Day
School closed

Monday 15 November - Teacher
Only Day - school closed
(Please note change of date)

Thursday 18 November
Whānau Hui - 6:30pm

Friday 26 November - Learning
Celebration Evening - 5:00-7:00pm

December

Friday 17 December - Last day of
school

January/February 2022

Monday 31 January - Meet the
Teacher

Tuesday 1 February - Meet the
Teacher

Wednesday 2 February - All children
present

Monday 7 February Waitangi Day

Yesterday I arrived in my office, after duty, to be serenaded by the muppet song.



Thanks Neela, Brooklyn and Anna for making me smile; you did a fabulous muppet show.

New School

https://snowgrass.co.nz/cust/school/banks_ave/



Yesterday Colleen and I got the chance to visit the site. Wow! Our hall looks huge! We'll have no problem fitting all 400 children in, plus their parents, for assemblies.



Admin building



Hall



Inside Pod



Inside Pod



Pod



Hall and Admin



Inside Pod



Inside Pod



Admin

- All buildings are now 'out of the ground' - past the foundation stage. This means you can walk in and through them to get a sense of space and layout.
- One of the learning pods has the interior gib going up.
- The hall is huge!
- Inside each pod is a 'stem area'. This joins the two sides of each pod together and will allow things like art, science and pod hui's to take place. These stem areas are much larger than I realized.
- Each pod has a large sliding front door, side doors to the undercover areas and a back door. Plenty of natural light in each learning area.
- Between pods is a roofed area; this is where bags will go. Again I was surprised how wide this area was - big enough to park two cars side by side. This will be a real bonus on wet days as children will be able to play outside, undercover. See picture below.



Hall

Below is an image of the back wall of our new hall. Do you like the *Poutama* pattern?

The Poutama (stairway to heaven) pattern is found in Māori weaving and plaiting. Poutama has significant spiritual and educational meanings. The stepped pattern symbolises levels of attainment and advancement and the growth of man, striving ever upwards and for betterment. In this case it represents our school value of excellence: better than before.



KINDO

A big thank you to the families who have joined up to Kindo since last week and went in the draw to win The Palms \$50.00 Voucher.

We can confirm that the lucky winners of this voucher were Imogen H from Room 2 (Ruru) and her family.

It is really important that all families have downloaded this app and join up by using the email address held by Banks Avenue School. From the beginning of next term we'll be moving to Kindo Payables and this will be the way you pay for all future costs and fundraisers.



Shirley Intermediate Rebuild

Shirley Intermediate is also having many of their classrooms replaced. Here are some of their designs. Their rebuild is due to start now and will take about eighteen months. This is awesome for our tamariki!



Interior:



HEART REWARDS

Winning House for the Term

	WEEK 4	WEEK 7	WEEK 10	TOTAL
1163 1ST				2292 FIRST
828				2114
1081 2ND				2248 2ND
1092 3RD				2222

Congratulations **Papatūānuku** have the most HEART tokens this term. Your teachers will give you a lolly pop tomorrow!

Duffy Book - Childrens name Drawn out

Congratulations to these children. Your name was drawn out of the HEART box; you can come to Miss Carroll's office to get a Duffy book.

Levi - Room 10

Juliette - Room 1

Milan - Room 10

Jayden E - Room 23

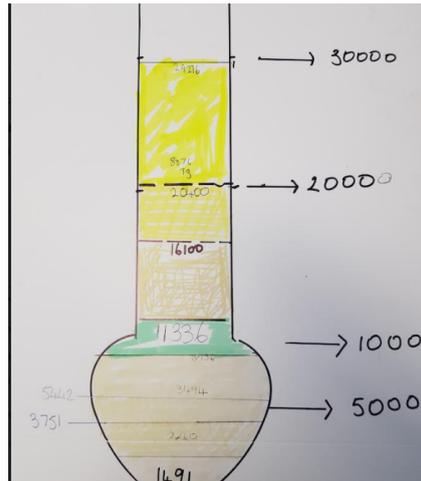
Memphis - Kea

Staff HEART Award

Well done Jan Thompson - you have won the staff HEART award. Visit Mrs Burnside's office for your treat!

Tokens for the Year

Our goal this year was to give out 40,000 HEART tokens. So far we have given out 29,276. Wow, we are on track to meet our target. This is a huge effort; well done to all the children who show our HEART values everyday.



One of the ways we celebrate meeting our HEART target each year is by having a family Learning Celebration Evening each year. This year we have this planned for Friday 26 November; mark it on your calendar as it is an awesome evening.

Canterbury District Health Board

The Canterbury District Health Board have asked us to share information with you that they are opening the drive-thru at Christchurch Arena (entry off Wrights Road) on October 4 (just in time for the holidays) and no appointment is needed. This will be in the main advertising channels next week, so we are happy to be able to share this information a little earlier so you can get this information to your community via your school newsletters.

No appointment will be needed at the drive thru, and CDHB are happy to vaccinate anyone who is eligible sitting at a window. So it's perfect for whānau!

Details of the drive thru are:

Every day from 4-31 October

Monday-Friday including Labour Day (Monday 25 October)
1:30–8:00pm

Saturday Sunday
11:00am–5:00pm

Full details will also be on their website : www.VaccinateCanterburyWestCoast.nz early next week.

Relationship and Sexuality Education - Last two days to give feedback

Every two years schools are legally obligated to consult with their school communities on their Health Curriculum; in particular the Sexuality component of the Health Curriculum.

The process for this consultation will be to share information with you, our whānau, on our Health Curriculum; in particular the *Relationship and Sexuality* component. This will be done through:

[A video outlining key discussion points](#)

- Providing resource material, on Sexuality Education, from the Ministry on the Curriculum. [Sexuality in Primary Schools - information for Whānau.](#)
- Sharing additional information; this was in last week's newsletter.

Once you have had a chance to watch the video and look at the additional resources that were in last week's newsletter, we would like you to complete a brief survey. Ultimately we need to ratify a statement that outlines how we deliver the Health Education at Banks Avenue School. We need your help to do this.

[Health Education at Banks Avenue School 2021 Survey](#)

We ask that this survey is completed by **Friday 1 October**.

Starting School



We welcome Ricca T (Kea) and Subham P (Room 2 - Ruru) and their families to our Banks Avenue School Community.

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OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY Workshops 2021

25 Disraeli St, Addington

Week 1, Wearable Arts

Wednesday 6 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm
Thursday 7 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm
Friday 8 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm

Week 2, Bug making

Tuesday 12 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm
Wednesday 13 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm
Thursday 14 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm
Friday 15 October	10.00 am -12.00noon or 1.30 - 3.30 pm

Age Group: 6 to 13yrs
Cost: Members \$15.00 per workshop, non-members \$20.00 per workshop
Limited to 10 per workshop. Caregiver Optional, Free
For more information and bookings email: info@creativejunk.org.nz

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COMMUNITIES

Thanks to the support of

Term 3 HEART Value Focus Excellence



Hauora Excellence Aroha Respect Togetherness

Our school HEART values are central to all that we do at Banks Avenue School. Once a child has received a HEART token they hand it into a collection box in their classroom. Teachers tally and record how many tokens each child earns under each of our values.

- 25 HEART tokens (same value) - name in newsletter.
- 50 HEART tokens (same value) - a wristband.
- Two or more wristbands the same - lunch with the principal.

Ultimately children are trying to earn all five wristbands. Once they have done this and then collected an additional fifty tokens they will receive the black HEART wristband, which depicts strong school citizenship.

Twenty Five Tokens

Hauora: Isla-Rose C (*Dudley*)

Excellence:

Aroha:

Respect:

Togetherness: Prahlad P and Nea V (*Dudley*)

Fifty Tokens These children have earned their wristband this week.

Hauora: Rylan O'D and Chloe A (*Dudley*)

Excellence: Walter B, Bella K, Tevita M and Luca E (*Roto*); Sophie B (*Dudley*)

Aroha: Annabelle P and Joel P (*Dudley*)

Respect: Brian D and Marcus B (*Roto*); Joel P (*Dudley*)

Togetherness: Bella K and Winter M-W (*Roto*); Hollie L, Kenzie E, Phoenix M, Hazel B and Kendra H (*Dudley*)

P.I.A. Achievement Awards

Congratulations to all of these children who have earned their PIA badges. If you want more information on our PIA scheme you can find it on our [website](#). A special congratulations to Hollie; it is a huge effort to have earned your Emerald badge as a Year 5; a lot of effort has gone into this!

Bronze	Silver	Gold	Emerald
Alex L (Kea)	Hazel B (Dudley)	Phoenix M (Dudley)	Hollie L (Dudley)
Cooper H (Awa)	Oscar B (Dudley)	Charley-May F (Dudley)	
Johan B (Dudley)	Oliver B (Dudley)	Oliver B (Dudley)	
Chloe A (Dudley)	Joel P (Dudley)	Rylan O'D (Dudley)	
Sophie B (Dudley)	Alex H (Dudley)	Amber B (Dudley)	
Bella K (Dudley)			
Marcus B (Roto)			
Luca S (Dudley)			
Taani N (Dudley)			
Nimeet M (Dudley)			
Samantha F (Dudley)			
Kaiya P (Dudley)			

Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon

The 2022 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon is coming up on 6 March 2022. Entries for this event will open on Monday 4 October. Check out the website <https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/christchurch/> if you are interested in having a go and join up with Banks Avenue School group.



Sanitarium
Weet-Bix
KIDS TRYathlon

Create your School Group today!   

LOCATION SCHOOLS TRY TRAINING INFO FOUNDATION CONTACT

CHRISTCHURCH MORNING
JELLIE PARK RECREATION & SPORTS CENTRE

COMING SOON

Other notices

Postponements and events

Banks Avenue School trip or event postponements and or cancellations will only be advised via Skool Loop, Facebook and as viewed on our website: www.banksave.school.nz

Absences

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, Skool Loop app or email: absences@banksave.school.nz

Or notify us via our website: www.banksave.school.nz/absences.

If your child arrives at school after 9:00am, 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.

HEARTBEAT Media 106.7FM

Listen to our students master broadcasting radio. If you live close to the school (within 6kms) you can tune into 106.7FM on your radio, to listen. Programmes are broadcasted every day before school from 8:30am-9:00am and at lunchtimes from 12:50pm- 1:20pm.

If you live further away, you can access HEARTbeat 106.7FM online, from our school website or from the link on the right.



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