What a wonderful start to the 2022 school year we have had. Today, we welcomed 41 new enrolments, so it was a busy start, however, everywhere I looked I saw happy, smiling faces as children found old friends and made new ones.

The children at Bankwood always impress me. They are enthusiastic about learning, they are creative, they are kind and they are caring. In fact they are just amazing! I look forward to watching them grow as learners.

As we are operating in the Covid-19 red light setting, we are following guidelines set out by the Ministry of Health and New Zealand Government. These guidelines are:

- Year 4-6 children and teachers will wear masks inside. We will be having plenty of outside learning opportunities for our students so they are able to have breaks from wearing masks
- We will continue to follow good hygiene and cleaning practises
- · Frequent hand washing and hand sanitising will occur throughout the day
- Our classrooms will be well ventilated with all our windows and doors open for the whole day
- There will be no school assemblies or other events that involve the whole school
- Each classroom block will have an allocated area to play in at breaks to avoid intermingling
- Singing/dancing and physical activity can only occur outside
- · All adults who enter the school grounds must wear a mask and scan or sign in
- At the end of the day please wait behind the pink line for your child to be released at 3pm
- If you arrive before 3pm we will collect your child for you

We really appreciate the way you work with us to keep your children safe. If you have any questions or are feeling anxious, please come in and talk to me or email me at principal@bankwood.school.nz



<u>Swimming</u>

We are lucky to have a pool that is well looked after by Darryl, our caretaker. Each class will have two lessons a week. On

swimming days, children need to bring named togs and a named towel.

<u>Sunhats</u> need to be worn when outside. Please name the hat so that your child is able to find it when needed. It is a good idea to leave a hat at school or pack it in their school bag.



Lunches and Fruit

We are lucky to have free lunches delivered every day. If your child has special dietary needs please let the office know if you haven't already done so. Fruit delivery starts Monday 14 February so children will have yummy fruit to eat each day.

School Stationery

To minimise the congestion that occurs in the office at the beginning of the year, we have decided to use a different system for you to purchase your child's stationery. If you have already paid for your child's stationery at the office it will be delivered to the classroom. If you have purchased stationery from another source, children can bring it with them to school.

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Name of child	Stationery Order Slip	Room
Please supply my childro	en with stationery and send me the invoi	ce
Name	Signature	
Phone		

Pohutukawa	\$20.40
Rooms 1,2,3,4	\$28.10
Rooms 5 and 6	\$24.50
Rooms 7 and 8.	\$18.80
Rooms 10,11,12,13	\$25.00