



# Bankwood SCHOOL

*Being The Best We Can Be*

**We are:**

The Respectful Kind  
The Responsible Kind  
The Learning Kind  
The Creative Kind

Tēnā tātou e te whānau,

Thank you to all our whānau who came and supported our school cross-country. The sun was shining, our tamariki all seemed to enjoy the experience and I am sure there were some very tired children on Thursday afternoon. We look forward to many more opportunities in Term 4 to open our gates and reconnect with whānau.

I would also like to thank all our whānau who supported the St Pauls gala. Some of the money raised at this gala will be donated back to our kura to support us with purchasing robotic equipment for our tamariki to use.

Our "Kickin' it @ Kura" initiative finishes next week. Remember to let the office or teachers know if your child is absent due to Covid, as these absences will not be counted in the final 90% at school total. We will draw the winners of the \$100 Te Awa vouchers on Friday week 10. We will announce the winners on Class Dojo on Friday afternoon.

Next Monday the 26th September is the Queens memorial service public holiday. This means that the school is closed for the day.

There have been lots of exciting events happening at our kura over the last couple of weeks. Remember to "like" our Bankwood Primary School facebook page to keep up to date.

#### Board of Trustee Elections

As we had the exact number of nominations for the positions we have for our Bankwood School Board of Trustees, we did not require a voting election. The elected Parent Representatives for the Board are:

Amanda Davis  
Amiria Wikaira  
Ngahuia Cooper  
Sarah Pratt  
Vic Rangitaawa

The elected Staff Representative is Toni Holford.

Last but not least I would like to thank Jimmy Heta for his contribution here at Bankwood School and wish him all the best for his new role as Deputy Principal at Te Awamutu Intermediate (see the message below). We will certainly miss his expert guitar playing at our school events!

Ngā mihi  
Toni Holford



Teena taatou e te whānau whānui o te kura o Parirakau.

I am letting you all know officially that my last day at Bankwood Primary school will be at the end of this term. I have accepted the role of Deputy Principal at Te Awamutu Intermediate beginning next term.

I would like to acknowledge our school community for your support that you have given me over the past 10 years and entrusting me with educating and caring for your children.

I am going to miss our tamariki both past and present, but I leave here knowing that your tamariki are in safe hands with all of our wonderful teachers.

Ngā manaakitanga  
Matua Heta



#### Dates to Remember

Queens memorial service public holiday	Monday 26th September
Kickin' it @ Kura Draw	Friday 30th September
End of Term 3	Friday 30th September
Start of Term 4	Monday 17th October

#### BOOK SALE

Saturday 1st OCTOBER  
1pm-3:30pm

Chartwell Church Hall, 124 Comries Road, Chartwell  
Come along and check out the HUGE range of books available.  
This is a great way to get some reading ready for summer at a bargain price!  
Bring your own carry bags



## UPDATE FROM AMY & HAROLD!

Well Spring has definitely sprung and Harold has been very busy this term travelling all around rural and city schools in our Hamilton area, enjoying fun and lots of learning with tamariki around those topics that kaiako select as most relevant to their students.

It will only be a short break for hardworking-Harold before he's busy again, out and about in the school holidays hosting our special events at the zoo and the gardens - he's very excited! It will be a real treat to be able to see tamariki with their families and sharing

all the magic that the mobile classroom can provide. Student visitors to our classroom often tell us on their way in for a session that "My (Mum or Dad) said *they* saw Harold when they were my age!" What a neat opportunity for mums and dads to revisit that childhood magic with their own tamariki for a mini-lesson and seeing if Harold remembers them from years ago. It's also a great reminder of the longevity of the Life Education Trust brand - how special this learning has been for NZ primary school students for so long. The original vision and mission has stood the test of time and the ability to help NZ tamariki understand how they can feel empowered to look after their own hauora/health is a very special thing indeed.

We are already catching up with some of our 2023 booked schools and our timetable for next year is filling up fast. If you think you might like to have Life Education support health curriculum learning in your kura, get in touch sooner rather than later - demand for our *Nurturing Healthy Minds* programmes and support with specific health education needs is HIGH.

Ngaa mihi nui,  
Amy



# MEETING HAROLD

at  HAMILTON GARDENS

**TUES 4TH & WED 5TH  
OCTOBER '22  
FROM 10AM - 2.30PM**

- Mini Life Ed Lessons
- Interactive Story time
- Giveaways!
- Meet Harold

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# FINDING HAROLD

at  HAMILTON ZOO

**THURS 6 OCT '22  
FROM 10AM - 2PM**

- Find Harold Hunt
- Interactive Story time
- Giveaways!
- Meet Harold
- Face painting

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