



The
Boulcott



Wednesday 21 August 2019
Term 3 Week 5

Broadcast

Kia Ora koutou Boulcott Whanau,

Wow, at the end of this week we will be halfway through Term 3! Slowly but surely the days are starting to get a little longer, which always helps with getting up in the morning. This week we welcome Jenny Fraser, who is with us full time through to the end of the term. Jenny is covering for Luke Dentice in Room 4 while he is away in Europe, attending his brother's wedding.



Excitement is building for our **Art Exhibition and Celebration of Learning** evening on Wednesday, 4 September. The children have been working hard to create some amazing artwork to showcase on the night in the hall. All the classrooms will be open, so we encourage you all to come along with your child so they can share their amazing learning with you. In addition to this, our annual **Book Fair** will commence on this evening in the School Library. Bring along some additional money as the Home and School team will be running a **sausage sizzle** and we will have a **cake stall** to fundraise for Year 5 and 6 camp in 2021. Phew! It's action packed! You won't want to miss out on this night!! Keep a look out for flyers with more information about this evening at the end of this week!!

Congratulations to our awesome Mathswell Team of Year 5 and 6 students who represented Boulcott at the annual problem solving competition last week, competing against other schools from across the region. We loved the photos of you concentrating so hard on the many tricky questions you had to solve! We also have two Year 5 and 6 teams registered for the Tournament of Minds event in September. This is a nationwide competition that encourages teamwork and problem solving through creative thinking. All work is completed by the children with NO adult intervention! A huge thank you to Ruth Olds who has coordinated both of these opportunities for these children.

PB4L

The Positive Behaviour for Learning focus this term is defining what the CHEER value 'RESPECT' means in words and actions. Over the following two weeks we will be exploring 'including others' as a way of showing this value. Staff will be 'catching kids' who include others in the playground. This can be observed through kids taking turns, joining in and helping others out, spending time with someone who seems lonely, inviting others to play and sharing. Praise and House Points will be given to students including other people. Have a chat to your child at home about how they are including others - and who has made them feel included in break times.



THANK YOU!

On a personal note, I'd like to thank all the students, staff and parents who showed their support to me and other Principals across the country on August 16th. I was inundated with lovely messages, cards and treats - I definitely felt the love!! At the end of business on the 16th the Ministry of Education presented us with another offer and earlier this week I had confirmation that this offer has been accepted. Whilst I am pleased to see the end of industrial action for both Teachers and Principals, we still have some work to do to address some of the workload and well-being issues for us in the profession. We hope that this will start to be addressed with the new accord between the Ministry and our NZEI union, which forms part of the settlement. A key factor of this accord is providing additional teacher only days over the next three years, so teachers have more time for professional development and managing the increasing demands of the job.

TERM DATES

I can confirm our term dates for the school year in 2020 which are laid out below. Please be aware there will be additional teacher only days during term time (probably during Term 2 and 4) which are yet to be set. These will be communicated to you all by the end of the year. It is important to note that these teacher only days will not affect the end date for the school year in December as we are not required to make these up.

TERM 1	
Start date	Wednesday, 5 February
Waitangi Day	Thursday, 6 February
End date	Thursday, 9 April (Friday, 10 April is Good Friday)
TERM 2	
Start date	Tuesday, 28 April (Note ANZAC Day is Mondayised on 27th April)
Queens Birthday	Monday, 1 June
End date	Friday, 3 July
TERM 3	
Start date	Monday, 20 July
End date	Friday, 25 September
TERM 4	
Start date	Monday, 12 October
Labour Day	Monday, 26 October
End date	Thursday, 17 December



NEWS FROM THE BOARD of TRUSTEES

Kia ora e te whānau – greetings from the Board of Trustees. Term 3 at school is well underway and we are excited to be underway also. As noted in the previous school newsletter, we are pleased to welcome two co-opted parent trustees to the Board that was elected back in June. Pania Dewes has been co-opted through to 31 July 2020 to build bi-cultural capability and awareness at a governance level, and Shaun Richardson has been co-opted until 31 March 2020 to manage the review of Before and After School Care services at Boulcott School.

There are a number of significant pieces of work coming up for the Board before the end of the year, so we have decided to put regular updates into the school newsletter, rather than wait until the end of each term to report on them.

Before and After School Care Review

Some of you may already be aware that a review of Before and After School Care (BASC) services for Boulcott School is underway. The current BASC service was started over a decade ago by a group of staff and parents, as a response to a need in the school community. Fast forward to today and the number of families using the service has grown larger every year. The Board expects that out-of-school care services in the future will continue to grow.

The review process was kicked off in late 2018 when a survey was sent out to all Boulcott School families about BASC services. The survey was designed to find out what families value about an out-of-school care service. The key findings from the survey were that families currently using the service rate a low cost model and its convenient location as most important, and families who do not currently use the service rate qualified and caring staff along with convenient location as the highest priorities. Neither group was very interested in the children being offered additional activities such as cooking, art or sports.

Using the results of the survey, a review document has been put together and the current BASC providers have been invited to submit a proposal along with two external providers.

A panel of staff and parents, including Stu Devenport, will evaluate the proposals and make a recommendation to the Board as to who could provide the best service for our school community. A decision from the process is expected to be made early in Term 4, and the school community will be notified as soon as possible.

The Board understands that out of school care is incredibly important to our families and we have decided that, regardless of the outcome, there will be no changes to Before and After School care this year. Any changes will be made from the beginning of the 2020 school year.

Road Map Projects

The latest Road Map project to reach completion is the new outdoor benches installed alongside the playground. The benches look fantastic – big thanks to the Wrigley family for doing the concrete work. This project was funded by a Four Winds Foundation grant plus generous funding from the Home and School Committee.

Other Road Map projects completed this year include purchasing a set of Sphero coding robots and tablets for the Senior Syndicate, installing the new basketball backboards and replacing old furniture in the staff room. You can check out the Road Map of projects happening around the school on the Board of Trustees noticeboard which is just inside the main school entrance.

And finally...

This term the Board will be reviewing the SchoolDoc policies for Performance Management and Emergency Planning and Procedures. You can find a link to them on the school website, under the information tab.

Our next meeting is on Monday, 9 September at 7pm and the meeting is open for anyone to come along. We meet in the staffroom at 7pm. If you can't make it to the meeting, but want to get in touch, we also have an email address: BOT@boulcott.school.nz

CHEER AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have been our CHEER recipients from our last assembly. A student at Boulcott School who earns a 'CHEER' from the school community will have been displaying one or more of the following values: Confidence, Honesty, Enthusiasm, Excellence and Respect.

Friday, 16 August:	Teacher	Student
Room 5a	Kaleb	Reyaansh
Room 6	Zara	Charlie
Room 7	Jahdyn	Sienna
Room 8	Abigail K	Isla O
Room 9	Emma H	Leo
Room 10	Ryan K	Ruby
Room 11	Lucas C	Leven
Room 12	Eva	Raya
Room 13	Jasper	Cordelia
Room 14	Ella W	Ella D
Room 15	Harlyem	Lucas W
Room 1	Hunter	Jayden
Room 2	Sasha	Harry M
Room 3	Luke H	Elle
Room 4	Jason	Molly
Room 5	Kaya	Claudia



SPORT @ BOULCOTT

Best of luck to our Year 4, 5 and 6 students competing in the Central Zone Swimming Competition this Friday at Huia Pool. We know you'll be representing Boulcott School with pride!



LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Fair - This year our annual Book Fair will take place in Term 3 from **Wednesday, 4 September through to Tuesday, 10 September**. This will coincide with our Art Exhibition. If you are able to help with the Book Fair, before or after school, please put your name on the roster outside the Library. Opening Night will be Wednesday, 4 September from 3:30pm to 6:30pm. Come and check out all the exciting new books and do some early Christmas shopping.

WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following student and their family to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have you join us at Boulcott:

Year 1: Philip

HOME AND SCHOOL

Our fundraising activities for this term are Calendar Art (orders close at 5pm today) and a Junglerama evening on Saturday, 28 September, 6pm-8pm. More details to follow.

Thanks to everyone for your support of our fundraising events this year. Your generosity has enabled us to fund the following for our school:

Playground seating, robotics equipment, 'I am 5' books, construction sets for the Middle Syndicate, native tree seedlings for the garden area, classroom budgets, art supplies, materials for Year 6 mural, ArtSplash tshirts, updating class sports bins and staffroom tables.



WHANAU GROUP



Taonga tuku iho - Treasures of our heritage

We are a collective of parents whose initiative is to fundraise for new Kapahaka Piupiu/traditional flax skirts, as well as to foster and nurture our tamariki/children's growth and learning, through the eyes of Te Ao Maori/Maori worldview.

Our vision is to share our knowledge, stories and traditions to create understanding, encompassing identity and pride of one's self as another platform to develop our future generations in a positive nurturing environment.

We are independent of our Home and School committee but look forward to working with them closely in future projects.

If you have any ideas or visions and would like to join us on our journey, please contact: Pania Dewes at p.dewes003@gmail.com. All Nationalities are welcome.

Nga mihinui kia koutou. We thank you for your support with our hoody fundraiser.

He aha te mea nui o te ao, he tangata, he tangata, he tangata

What is the most important thing in the world, it is people, it is people, it is people.

REMINDERS

When driving down Boulcott Street and approaching Boulcott School the variable speed limit in a school zone is 40 km/h or under. To ensure our students' safety please keep your speed down. Make sure your child uses the school crossing when crossing the road. There are still parents parking in our school grounds at drop off and pick up times. These car parks are for staff only. Please use the car parks outside the school and ensure the disabled car park is available for those authorised to park there.

WORKING BEE

If you are free this Sunday, 25 August, come down to Boulcott School and meet us in the garden for a working bee. We will be pruning the feijoa trees and continuing with the weeding. Check our facebook page for cancellations if the weather is wet.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

If you have a child turning five in Terms 1 or 2 of 2020 and you live in our school zone, please ensure they are enrolled. Enrolment forms are held at the school office and can be downloaded from our website.

Our ballot for Out of Zone students will be held on Thursday, 31 October. Applications close on Monday, 28 October. This is for students starting at Boulcott School in Terms 1 & 2 2020. No ballot forms will be accepted after Monday, 28 October.

Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

Important Dates	
Date	Event
23 Aug	Swimming Sports - Central Zone 10am - 2pm (Yr 5&6 only)
30 Aug	Assembly (2:10pm)
31 Aug	Tournament of Minds (Regional)
4 Sept	Book Fair Starts, Art Exhibition, Celebration of Learning
13 Sept	Assembly (2:10pm)
17 Sept	ArtSplash
19 Sept	Capital E Performance
20 Sept	DanceSplash
21 Sept	Tournament of Minds (National)
27 Sept	Assembly (2:10pm), Term 3 Ends (3pm)

Community Notices:

Baby and Child Gear Sale - Saturday, 14 September from 9am to 12pm, Knox Church, 574 High Street. Baby & child clothing and gear, toys, books, raffle, food and coffee available. Cash only and bring your own bags. If you have good quality items to donate please drop them off at the Knox Church office between 9:30am - 4pm weekdays. Any questions please email office@knox.org.nz. All proceeds to Hutt City Women's Refuge.

Keas, Cubs or Scouts - Second Lower Hutt Scout Group is growing and we want more kids to join us for adventures. Keas, generally Yr 1-3 meet on Thursdays. Cubs, Yr 4-6, meet on Tuesdays, and Scouts, Yr 7-9, on Wednesdays, at our den in Mitchell Street, Eponi. We are also looking for additional leaders to help deliver Scouting to our young people. If being part of a fantastic team of adults providing young people with the opportunities to grow into the next generation of outstanding New Zealand leaders appeals to you, then we'd love to hear from you. For more information go to <http://www.scoutgroupdirectory.co.nz/2nd-lower-hutt-scout-.../>

The Process Art Studio - After School Art Trial Sessions. Starting Thursday, 5 September at Kelson Community Centre from 3:45pm - 4:30pm. Are you interested in using art as a form of communication or need a safe space to learn how to self regulate your thoughts and feelings. Come see what it's all about. For more information and bookings visit www.TheProcessArtStudio.co.nz.

Mindset Magicians - Developing Can Do Kids. Special \$5 for a one hour session. Fun, engaging and easy tools and techniques for kids and teens to help feel calm, confident and cope with challenges. Monday, 2 September 3:30pm - 4:30pm for ages 6-10, 5pm to 6pm for ages 11-14. Thursday, 5 September, 7pm - 8pm for ages 15+ (includes tools for managing exam nerves) at The Spot, 651 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt. For more information contact Diana at info@mindsetmagicians.com, or ph 021 230 3446 or book online at www.mindsetmagicians.com.

International Springboard Diving at Kilbirnie Pool - Come and be inspired at the Pacific Junior Diving Championships this weekend at Kilbirnie Pool, 23 - 25 August. Over 60 young divers, aged 12-18 years, from around the Pacific region will compete in this inaugural event. See www.wellingtondiving.org.nz for more details or contact Barbara on 027 485 8888.

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