

Namaste Boulcott Whanau & Happy Diwali!

We are celebrating Diwali this week which is a 4 - 5 day Festival of Light celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs, Jains and some Buddhists. Today we had a special treat with Parita from Shivam Dance Academy visiting school to take us through some Bollywood dance lessons. We also had some time with our buddy classes creating some rangoli art with coloured rice. All of this was made possible thanks to generous funding from the Asia Foundation.

We managed to get through the majority of our planned Athletics Day for our Year 3-6 children last Thursday. This is an important day for us on the sports calendar as it helps us determine our top athletes to represent the school at the Central Zone Athletics event in a couple of weeks time. Congratulations to everyone who qualified. More importantly though, it is an opportunity for all students to have a go at a wide variety of events and endeavour to achieve some personal goals after several weeks of training. It was wonderful to see our CHEER values being demonstrated throughout the day with students supporting their peers and striving for success. Once again, our strong House spirit was shown at the conclusion of the day with our House relays. Congratulations to the Year 6 Kea relay team who were not only the fastest House, but also managed to beat the parents and teachers in the final event. The teachers will no doubt have to start their training regime earlier in 2020 to win the title back! A big thank you to all the parents and caregivers who came along to support the event and the children competing on the day. A special thanks to Luke Dentice and Craig Beer for organising their first athletics event at Boulcott School - another successful day!

Thank you to everyone who supported us with our Reunification Drill in the first week of the term. Logistically, this is a complex procedure and overall we are really pleased with how smoothly it went. We of course realise that in a real emergency things may not run quite as smoothly, so it is always useful to test things out in a 'calm' setting. We have identified a few areas that we can further improve on and we appreciate the feedback we have received from the community. Thanks once again for demonstrating flexibility with pick ups!



## CLASS ORGANISATION & INTENTIONS FOR 2020

This is the time of year when the teaching teams commence the process of forming classes for 2020. This is often an intricate process where a lot of factors are taken into consideration. Learning, social, behaviour and emotional needs, are all put into the mix to ensure we make the right decisions for each child.

Although at Boulcott School we do not take parent requests for class placements, if you have some information you think we would find useful about your child, you are welcome to provide us with this. If you wish to do this, please let me know directly by Friday, 8 November. You can email your thoughts to [principal@boulcott.school.nz](mailto:principal@boulcott.school.nz), or call the office should you need to make an appointment.

We also ask that you notify us as soon as possible if your intention is not to return to Boulcott School for the 2020 school year.

## SCHOOL DONATION SCHEME

Thank you to the parents who attended our Information Evening last week on potential School Donation changes for 2020. Although it was a disappointing turnout we are pleased with the amount of responses we have received with the online survey. The survey will remain open until 9am tomorrow (Thursday, 31 October), so if you haven't shared your views so far, please do so by clicking the link below:

<https://forms.gle/jysqvskXK63o6VBeA>

This is an important decision for the Board of Trustees as it will have a financial impact on the running of the school for 2020 and beyond.

## AFTER SCHOOL CARE REVIEW

If you've been keeping up to date in our recent newsletters, you'll know the Board of Trustees have been completing a lengthy and thorough review process of our Before and After School services at Boulcott School. This involved a tender process where four providers pitched a proposal to a select committee, this included our current provider. We will be sharing our final decision with the school community via email on Monday afternoon. Thank you for your patience with this review.

## WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

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

Year 1: Daniel, Zac

Year 2: Brianna

## GUITAR LESSONS

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## SPORT @ BOULCOTT

The Term 4 Touch Rugby season is underway again. A special thank you to the parents and caregivers who are managing and/or coaching a team this year. We really can't offer this opportunity without your involvement.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for representative teams in Touch Rugby this term - what an impressive list!!

### Under 10's

U10 Mixed - Jada, Lucy W

U10 Boys - Jake W, William

U10 Girls - Scarlett

## Under 12's

U12 Mixed - Bella, Jakaya

U12 Boys - Wairangi

U12 Girls - Acacia, Isabel B

## School Athletics:

Congratulations to the large number of students who have qualified for our Central Zone Athletics taking place on Tuesday, 12 November. Overall Athletes Awards from our school athletics will be handed out in our next assembly.

# 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, 25 October:	Teacher	Student
Room 5a	Tiger	Eden
Room 6	Max R	Violet
Room 7	Zara	Mikayla
Room 8	Elvina	Luke
Room 9	Emily X	Emma H
Room 10	Nathan	Gene
Room 11	Lucas C	Lucas M
Room 12	Nico	Maddison R
Room 13	Cordelia	
	Jada	
Room 14	Gavin	Thomas C
Room 15	Lily	Daksh
Room 1	Issy H	Hunter
Room 2	Harry	Lorraine
Room 3	Bishr	Moneka
Room 4		Benjamin
Room 5	Cooper	Sophie C

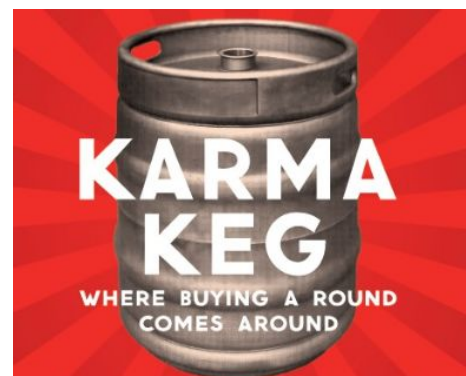


Nga mihi nui  
Stu Devenport  
**Principal**

## FROM THE WHANAU GROUP

Our Whanau team is having a Karma keg fundraiser on **Sunday, 10 November** in the Hopscotch Room at the Station Village Lower Hutt between 2 - 5pm. This is a Whanau friendly event where a movie will be offered, koha sausage sizzle and more. How it works is you pay a koha/donation for a pint of craft beer from our Karma keg, all proceeds going towards offering Cultural experiences and upgrading our piupiu.

Our vision is to build positive relationships/whanaungatanga creating a sense of whanau connection, through shared experiences and working together. This provides people with a sense of belonging creating a natural obligation to strengthen and grow within our school community. Thus contributing to solid foundations,





cultivating growth within our tamariki through our guidance and leadership. Flyers will be shared during the week. We look forward to seeing you there.

Important Dates	
Date	Event
30 Oct	Diwali Celebration
31 Oct	Ballot for Out of Zone students
4 Nov	Hutt Intermediate Open Day
8 Nov	EPro 8 Challenge, Assembly (2:10pm)
11 Nov	Board Meeting (7pm)
12 Nov	Central Zone Athletics
14 Nov	Senior EOTC - old school games day
15 Nov	Kapa Haka Exchange
18 Nov	Dental Van arrives, Wheels day ( Senior EOTC)
22 Nov	Assembly (2:10pm)
29 Nov	Year 5 & 6 Marae Visit/Stokes Valley pool
3 Dec	Road Patrol Pool Party, River Walk ( Middles EOTC)
4 Dec	Evening Cushion Concert
5 Dec	2020 Road Patrol training, Botanic Gardens trip (Middles EOTC)
6 Dec	Afternoon of water activities at school (Middles EOTC)
9 Dec	Kite making (Senior EOTC), Board Meeting 7pm
11 Dec	Whole School Picnic Avalon Park
12 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Evening (7pm)
13 Dec	Prize Giving Assembly (2pm)
17 Dec	Term 4 ends - <b>Finish at 1pm</b>

### Community Notices:

**Saints & Angels** - A family alternative to Halloween at Knox Church, 574 High Street, Thursday, 31 October from 5 - 7pm. Gold coin and/or can of food entry. All children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Marrzipan** - Marrzipan Drama are running awesome self-confidence building sessions at Boulcott School. Classes in social skills, positive thinking and self belief for the super-shy to the super-high! For more information go to [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) and click register, or call 027 521 7352 for a no-obligation trial class.

**Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club** - Scary Night Roller Disco, Saturday, 2 Nov from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Entry \$10, skate/blade hire free. Spot prizes, cupcakes, plus other snacks will be available. Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt. For more information ring/text 022 682 4517, email skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz.

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