

Kia ora koutou Boulcott whanau,

We are super excited to be open for business again on Monday, 18 May! We are really looking forward to seeing the corridors, classrooms and playground fill with children again! At Level 2 a lot of our normal routines can continue, but there will still be some restrictions in place to ensure we keep everyone safe. We plan to have all students re-enter into school in a calm and gentle “restart” to the year with practices to ensure all students and staff safety.

Preparing for School at Level 2

If you haven't checked out my video update from Tuesday, please take the time to check it out at: <https://www.loom.com/share/77577f88b9694db7937b99e19ad5c388>

It's really important you take the time to talk to your child/ren to discuss these changes so they are fully prepared for Monday.

Feel free to check out this link from the Ministry of Education which provides further advice for parents: <https://parents.education.govt.nz/essential-information/news-stories/covid-19-preparing-for-alert-level-2/>

On the next page are some important points we would like to reinforce before school starts next week.

Term 2 Learning Conversations

Everyone has experienced the lockdown time in different ways. We know some families will have thrived during this time and for others it would have had its challenges. Although we have all been connected online over the past 7 weeks, the teachers are keen to meet with all our families and reconnect with them face-to-face. We are aware that many of you would like to have some time to talk to the teachers too. Because of this, we are offering an additional round of Learning Conversation afternoons for you to meet with your child's classroom teacher. The focus for these 15 minute sessions would be three fold:

- Parents provide feedback to the teachers on how the lockdown and distance learning programme has gone for their family.
- Teachers provide assessment information from Term 1 on your child.
- Establishing some shared goals / next learning steps for your child for the next two terms.

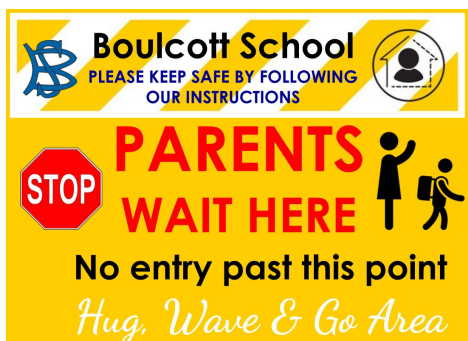
We are really keen to connect with every family (adults only). We are offering 3 afternoons for you to make a time:

- Thursday, 21 May
- Wednesday, 27 May
- Thursday, 28 May

We welcome you to book in a time to meet with your child's teacher using the link below: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=rb6bs>



Important points in preparation for Monday, 18 May



We are restricting adults visiting school.

- If you can, please drop off and pick up your child at the school gate.
- If your children are older, think about making a meeting spot away from the school gate to avoid congestion. Don't forget our Walking Pou located in Ariki Street.
- Junior School parents can pick up and drop off from the external classroom doors.
- If you think your child will need support transitioning back to the classroom, please contact their classroom teacher.
- If students are waiting to be collected after 3pm, they will be directed to the Senior school courtyard.



Please avoid visiting the school office.

- Think about ringing or emailing the school office instead.
- If you do need to visit the school, please enter through the school office and sign in using Vistab, our online visitor system.
- Please wait on the lines marked outside the office if you are waiting.



For hygiene reasons, water fountains in the playground remain closed.

- All children should come to school with a filled (water only) drink bottle that is named.
- There will be plenty of taps for them to refill throughout the day.



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- If your child is unwell, even if it is a runny nose, keep them at home.
- If your child presents as unwell throughout the day, we will be contacting you to collect them promptly.
- If you are unwell, please do not enter the school grounds.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our outstanding students (and their families) that have been with us during Alert Level 3. These students have been incredibly resilient and flexible during this challenging time. It has been a pleasure to have these terrific children as founding members of "Our Bubble School!"

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Before and After School Care - SKIDS



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