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Term 3 is well underway with all the learning programmes up and running across the school. At the end of Week 1 it was wonderful to host our powhiri to welcome all the new students and whanau that have started at Boulcott since the beginning of the year. This was an extra special event as it was the first time our Senior students led the ceremony; Madi, Arabella, Bella, Nevaeh, Lucy and Jada, starting the powhiri with a powerful karanga (call) from the tangata whenua(hosts), to welcome the manuhiri (visitors/new members). Thomas and Joshua then presented a confident whaikorero (speech). The rest of our Senior school took the lead with waiata and haka. I was incredibly proud to see these students volunteer to 'step up' in these leadership roles and see them shine! What outstanding role models for the rest of the tamariki at Boulcott School! Tino pai rawa atu!

There was some exciting learning in the Middle School last week when the classes welcomed Thom from the Victoria University Science Outreach programme. Our students had the opportunity to learn about chemical reactions and how scientists learn new things about space. There were rockets launched on the school field and models that replicated the craters on the moon. Exciting stuff! So exciting in fact, that the Fire Department had to come and check it out for themselves! No doubt all the children in the Middle School are looking forward to their special trip to Space Place at Carter Observatory on Friday. We hope you have heaps of fun! There is no cost to whanau for this trip as it is covered by the Government's School Donation Scheme.

It's great to see students, teachers and whanau sporting their brand new Boulcott School hoodies around the school. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Pania Dewes and the Whanau Group who actioned this great initiative for the school community once again this year. This fundraising opportunity is to raise money for new Kapa haka uniforms, which is a long term goal we have set ourselves.

ENROLMENTS AT BOULCOTT SCHOOL

At this time of year we begin the process of planning for the next year looking at the number of children we are likely to have at Boulcott School. We aim to have the drafted numbers to work on to enable recruitment of staff by the end of Term 3. If you have New Entrant children starting with us in 2021 and live in our school zone that we do not yet know about, please pop into the office, email or call to update us and to collect enrolment forms, so that we can ensure our staffing is enough to cover our student numbers. The Ministry of Education funds staffing for each school based on expected enrolments for the following year, so it is important that we have accurate information to determine how many teachers we will be entitled to employ next year.

Likewise, if you are intending to move away from Boulcott School or your child will not be with us in 2021, please do let us know asap.

Our Enrolment Ballot for out of zone students wishing to start at Boulcott School in Terms 1 and 2 of 2021 takes place on **Friday**, **23 October**. We welcome anyone who wishes to be included in this ballot to contact the school office for a ballot form, or alternatively, you can download a ballot form from our website at <u>www.boulcott.school.nz</u>, under the 'information tab' and click on 'Enrolling at Boulcott School'. The ballot closes on **Monday**, **19 October**. A reminder that this ballot also applies to students who are out of the school zone that have siblings at Boulcott School.

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

A reminder that school will be closed on **Friday**, **21 August** so the Boulcott staff can take part in some exciting professional development. This will involve working with Andrea Piters in the morning, a facilitator with expertise in lifting achievement in writing. In the afternoon we will be continuing our development with PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning). Both of these topics are linked to our strategic plan for 2020.

If you are having trouble arranging child care for this day, our After School Care provider, SKIDS, will be operating a full day service in the school hall on this day. To register your interest in using this service on Friday, 21 August, please contact Neil at <u>boulcott@skids.co.nz</u>

A reminder that during the negotiations for teachers and Principals collective agreements last year, an additional 8 Teacher Only days were established to be used during the term of the current agreement. In order to meet these requirements in 2020 we will hold two Teacher Only days - one in Term 3, and one in Term 4. We will attach both of these days to a weekend, so that hopefully the timing allows you a long weekend opportunity. The date for the Teacher Only Day in Term 4 is **Tuesday, 27 October.**

A COUPLE OF REMINDERS...

Below are important reminders which help with the smooth day-to-day running of the school.

- School starts at 8:55am. It is important that your child arrives before this time so they have plenty of time to set themselves up for the day ahead and connect with their peers. We have noticed that some children are regularly arriving late to school, which often puts them on the back foot at the start of the day. The beginning of the day in class always starts with the teacher outlining what the plan is for the day ahead, which is so beneficial for the children to be present for.
- School ends at 3pm. All children should be collected at the end of the day by 3:15pm. Over the past two weeks we have had children still waiting to be collected at 4pm. This is simply not okay as the teachers and staff often have other commitments after 3pm, so are unable to supervise children. A reminder that our After School Care provider, SKIDS, operates everyday from 3pm to 6pm if you are unable to collect your child on time.
- Please close the school gates if you are visiting the school during school hours. This is important for our Health and Safety procedures as we have a couple of young students that need to be kept safe within our school grounds.

Thanks very much for your support on these matters.



SCHOOL APP

Our school app, which was launched earlier this year, is another great tool for communicating with our community and it has been great to see so many families using this. Under the icon 'My Child,' information that you have provided to the school will be displayed, such as mobile numbers, emergency contacts etc. If any of this information is no longer correct can you please contact the school and we will change it. It is important that we have current information for each student.





Central Zone Cross Country takes place on Tuesday, **11 August**, at Trentham Memorial Park. Good luck to everyone involved!

Running Club - Meeting Friday mornings at 8am under the shade sail. All students and parents are welcome.

Great to see school netball has started up again!





CHEER AWARD



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, 31 July : | Teacher | Student |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Room 6 | Akshaj | Paige |
| Room 7 Room 8 | Gracie Frankie | Junyi Lea |
| Room 9 | Nicholas | |
| | Ahren | |
| Room 11 | Kobe | Evan H |
| Room 12 | Elyse | Ollie K |
| Room 13 | Thomas C | Chloe C |
| Room 14 | Aaliya | Ethan H |
| Room 15 | Alunè | Joseph |
| Room 16 | Leo | Dana |
| Room 1 | Lily M | Aria |
| Room 2 | Ismailia | Taine |
| Room 3 | Frances | Lily |
| Room 4 | Kaya | Mica |
| Room 5 | Jaimin | Arabella |



LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 5. Online orders only. Orders close at 3pm on Wednesday, 5 August.

WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

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

HOME AND SCHOOL

Home and School Meeting - **Tuesday, 11 August**, 7:30pm in the staffroom. Parents are welcome to attend. Boulcott School Disco - **Friday, 28 August**. More information to come. Calendar Art - Orders close on **Friday, 7 August**.

Additional Holidays:

Teacher Only Day: Friday, 21 August Labour Day: Monday, 26 October Teacher Only Day: Tuesday, 27 October Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Wed 5th Feb – Thu 9th Apr Term 2: Tue 28th Apr – Fri 3rd Jul Term 3: Mon 20th Jul – Fri 25th Sep Term 4: Mon 12th Oct – Thu 17th Dec

Nga mihi nui Stu Devenport **Principal**

| IMPORTANT DATES | | |
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| Date | Event | |
| Fri, 7 Aug | EOTC - Middles at Space Place, last day for Calendar Art orders | |
| Tues, 11 Aug | Central Zone Cross Country - Trentham Memorial Park, H&S meeting 7:30pm staffroom | |
| Wed, 12 Aug | Hutt Science STEMM Student Challenge | |
| Fri, 14 Aug | Assembly (2pm Hall) | |
| Tues, 18 Aug | Interzone Cross Country (pp Thurs, 20 August) | |
| Fri, 21 Aug | Teacher Only Day - School Closed | |
| Fri, 28 Aug | Assembly (2pm Hall), H&S Disco 6pm | |
| Fri, 4 Sept | Interzone Swimming Yr 4-6 | |
| Mon, 7 Sept | BOT Meeting (7pm Staffroom) | |
| Fri, 11 Sept | Assembly (2pm Hall) | |
| Fri, 18 Sept | Jump Rope | |
| Mon, 21 Sept | Scholastic Book Fair starts | |
| Wed, 23 Sept | Celebration of Learning Evening | |
| Fri, 25 Sept | Assembly (2pm Hall) End of Term 3 (3pm) | |

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Fun French for kids at Boulcott School, Thursdays 3:20pm for ages 5-10

- Experience French learning the fun way! Children speak French from the first lesson.
- Lots of interactive activities, role play, crafts, active games and music.
- Free trial lesson. After that \$14.50 per 45 minute lesson, plus a membership starter pack of materials to use at home.
- To register your interest please contact Stefi on stefi@lcfclubs.co.nz or 021 178 2099.
- visit the website www.lcfclubs.co.nz.



Kids' Magic Mile - Wellington Marathon - Sunday, 30 August

The Wellington Marathon is coming up and Boulcott School is going to enter a group into the Kids' Magic Mile (1.6km), **Sunday, 30 August, 9:30am**, at SKY Stadium. This event is open to all runners and walkers of **all ages and abilities**, and parents are free to run with their children.

All participants will receive a race bib, a finisher's medal and there is a special kids' prize- giving at 11am with some great prizes, including spot prizes. This is a great opportunity to give your children a taste of a running event, and is a very manageable distance for all ages.

To enter, please go to the official website and complete race entry details. The cost of the event is \$15 per child (for registration prior to **7th August**, **using the discount code**) and the event takes place in **all weather** conditions. Stadium parking and merchandise can also be purchased online when registering. Once you have entered and paid, we will send you further details for race day. Parents will need to be responsible for their child/ren on race day.

There will also be a chance to train for this event. The Boulcott School Running Club will be meeting every Friday morning at 8am under the shade sail at school (weather permitting). Participation in Running Club is optional, but it would be great to see parents, staff and children from all year levels at Boulcott School! It is also great training for those students entering Zone Cross Country.

To register your child for the Kids' Magic Mile, follow the instructions below:

- Go to http://www.wellingtonmarathon.co.nz/info/
- Follow the prompts to sign in to your existing account, or set up a new profile.
- Early in the process you'll be asked if you have a code to use. Type in **Boulcott20** and click button "Continue".
- The screen will explain your discount and you then continue the entry process.
- Once complete the entrant will receive an email confirmation. This discount code is also available for parents and teachers to use if they would like to enter other distances (10k, 21k, 42k). Entries received after the 7th August will still receive a \$5 discount, however prices go up so it's worth getting your entry in early! The discount code also allows us to track all Boulcott entries for further communication so please make sure you use it.

Goodtime Music Academy - Weekly band lessons now available. \$25 for 45 minutes in the brand new 'Goodtime Studio', various times available throughout the week. For more information email Mike at <u>tuition@gtma.co.nz</u>.

The Circus Hub - The Circus Hub in Wellington offers circus classes that are fun, exciting and challenging. A great activity to develop coordination, perseverance, creativity and confidence. Available for all ages from 3 years. We also have a school holiday programme and offer birthday parties. Enrol today at <u>www.circus.org.nz</u>.



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