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It's hard to believe that this time a year ago we had plunged into a nationwide lockdown due to Covid-19. It is fascinating looking back and reading through the correspondence that I shared with the community about what was going on. There was so much new information that had to be processed and communicated in a timely and coherent fashion. Thank goodness we all went hard and fast so we are all operating as normal!

It has been nice getting back to normality with swimming lessons finishing last week. The regular classroom routines have been re-established, which is hugely beneficial for all learners. We received some wonderful news from Summerset Retirement last month, with their kind gesture of funding our 2021 swimming programme. This includes covering the costs for transport and lessons to the value of over \$10,000. Each child has also received a swimming bag from Summerset too! We really appreciate this financial contribution that is beneficial to all our tamariki!

Speaking of swimming, our Year 5 and 6 students have their annual Swimming Sports Festival at Stokes Valley Pool this Friday, 26 March from 9:30am. This is an opportunity for our students to showcase their swimming abilities. You are all welcome at Stokes Valley Pool to support our students!

Thank you to everyone who has attended our whole school assemblies over the past couple of weeks. We have had some fantastic sharing from the Junior and Senior syndicates recently and we always celebrate the wonderful learning and behaviour of our tamariki by awarding CHEER certificates to two students from each class. A reminder that these assemblies are now held on Friday mornings at 9:10am and everyone is welcome to attend. Our next whole school assembly is Friday, 9 April, where our Middle syndicate will be presenting. We encourage you to come along!

It was great to see many of our Boulcott students take part in the annual Weet-Bix Tryathlon last week, especially many of our younger tamariki participating in the 'Splash 'n Dash!' With the Easter break falling outside the Term 1 break this year, please remember that Boulcott School (and all other schools across the country) are closed on:

Friday, 2 April (Good Friday) Monday, 5 April (Easter Monday) **Tuesday, 6 April** 

School is open for business again on Wednesday 7 April.

### Enrolments Ballot

Our Enrolment Ballot for out of zone students wishing to start at Boulcott School in Terms 3 and 4 of 2021 takes place on **Friday**, **14 May**. 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'. Ballot applications close on **Monday**, **10 May**. A reminder that this ballot also applies to students who are out of the school zone that have siblings at Boulcott School.

If you currently live in our school zone and have a child turning 5 in Terms 3 & 4 of 2021, please ensure you have completed an enrolment form for your child, and returned it to the Boulcott School office at least 6 months before their starting date, along with proof of address. It is important when deciding on how many out of zone places we can offer if we know how many in zone students we have starting.



# <u>Boulcott</u> <u>Broadcasters</u>

Hello, we are the Boulcott Broadcasters. Our job is to report on some of the awesome experiences happening at Boulcott School. In our team we



have: Frances, Lucy, Regan, Ameenah, Zoe, Lily and Jyotika. Watch out for our reports in the newsletters.

### Weet-Bix Tryathlon

On Wednesday, 17 March, kids from all across Lower Hutt came and did the Weet-Bix Tryathlon 2021, including 41 children from Boulcott School! At the recreation grounds it was a freezing morning, so we wrapped up warm and headed down. Everyone went to the jam packed transition area and put their bikes in the age groups.

These were the 6 year old Splash and Dash kids and triathletes for ages 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

At the Boulcott tent, all of the kids from our school played and ate some morning tea until it was time to head to the pre-swim tent. I wondered if anyone else was nervous at the starting line?

"On your marks, get set, GO!" shouted the course officials. Once the helpers had sent us off we ran down to the pool and hopped in. Lots of kids were in front and behind you all the way to the exit. Then it was a sprint to transition where we put some shoes and socks on and hopped on our bikes.

Zooming through the street everyone had to be careful not to crash. After three laps you got off your bike and put it back by the transition box.

Then it was a run to the finish line where you got a medal and a bottle of water.

I hope you do the Kiwi Kids Weet-Bix Tryathlon for 2022! A big thanks to Mrs Olds for all her support on the day.

### Frances M Boulcott Broadcaster

Coming up next time . . . Hello Boulcott families, next week our whole school is getting first aid training. I look forward to telling you about what we learnt in our next edition. (Regan)

Tena koutou Boulcott Whanau,



### **Board Staff Representative News**

Our 1<sup>st</sup> item for this terms Board News is to announce the departure from the BOT of Holly Hughes as she stepped down from the Staff Representative role on 15 March. Holly has been a fantastic representative for the Boulcott staff, and a critical member of the BOT, creating a vital link between the school governance, and operational needs.

The Board would like to express its thanks to Holly for her time, and contribution to the Board. Thanks Holly, you will be missed.

The BOT would like to welcome Jodi Mitchell as the new Staff Rep on the Board and are looking forward to Jodi kicking off her new role at the next Board Meeting on Monday, 12 April.

### Update on Board of Trustee Vacancy

As communicated earlier, the Board of Trustees has a casual vacancy for a parent representative. The Board resolved to fill this vacancy by selection. Eligible voters (Boulcott School's parents and caregivers) had the opportunity to oppose the selection method by 19 March 2021. We received no opposing votes so the Board will review the trustee nominations received at the next Board Meeting and select a new parent trustee by 29 April 2021.

We would like to acknowledge the parents who have put their names forward for consideration. We are fortunate to have a strong group of nominees volunteering to join the Board of Trustees.

### Twilight Gala

As a Board, we are immensely proud of the fantastic Twilight Gala that took place on Friday, 26 February. The Gala Committee worked extremely hard to plan, organise and put the event on for the community, and with the help on the night of staff, whanau and many others, have contributed a staggering \$24k to the school.

Thank you to all involved, you are all fantastic !!

### Swimming and Summerset

With the BOT fully supporting the ongoing delivery of our school swimming programmes, any assistance in being able to provide this essential activity is greatly received.

We are pleased to advise that our new neighbours, Summerset, have offered to support our swimming programme and have donated \$10,500 to the school to help cover our costs. On top of the monetary donation, Summerset are also gifting a swim bag to every student in the school.

A big thanks to Summerset, these donations are a great help to the school, and much appreciated.



### 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: Jessica Year 3: Avi

### Library

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 2, online orders are due by 3pm on Wednesday, 24 March. Orders are online only through LOOP. To download the app go to scholastic.co.nz/LOOP.

CHEER AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have been our CHEER recipients from our last two assemblies. 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, 12 March:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	Zachary	Pat
Room 7	Milena Lily	
Room 8	Petra Olive	
Room 10	Matine	Dustin
Room 11	Sam Jay-Ming	
Room 12	Hazel	Brody
Room 14	Riley	Abigail
Room 15	Zac	Indie E
Room 16	Oliver B	Marlee
Room 1	Shamil	Henry
Room 3	Lily	Brandon
Room 4	Zoe	Chloe
Room 5	Te Whairua	Jasmine
Friday, 19 March:	Teacher	Student
Friday, 19 March: Room 6	<b>Teacher</b> Philip	<b>Student</b> Evie
	Philip Clarice	
Room 6	Philip	
Room 6 Room 7	Philip Clarice Charlee	Evie
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe	Evie Yaniv
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty	Evie Yaniv Kaleb
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10 Room 11	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty Junyi Kysen Emmanuel	Evie Yaniv Kaleb Maddie
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10 Room 11 Room 12 Room 14	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty Junyi Kysen Emmanuel Carter	Evie Yaniv Kaleb Maddie Harlan
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10 Room 11 Room 12 Room 14 Room 15	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty Junyi Kysen Emmanuel Carter Heidi	Evie Yaniv Kaleb Maddie Harlan Addison
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10 Room 11 Room 12 Room 12 Room 14 Room 15 Room 16	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty Junyi Kysen Emmanuel Carter Heidi Raffy	Evie Yaniv Kaleb Maddie Harlan Addison Tala
Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 Room 10 Room 11 Room 12 Room 12 Room 14 Room 15 Room 16 Room 1	Philip Clarice Charlee Phoebe Jonty Junyi Kysen Emmanuel Carter Heidi Raffy Logan	Evie Yaniv Kaleb Maddie Harlan Addison Tala Ben R
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### 2021 Term Dates

Please note: Teacher Only Day - Friday, 4 June.

Nga mihi nui Stu Devenport Principal

TERM 1	
Start date	Thursday, 4 February
Waitangi Day	Monday, 8 February (Mondayised)
Easter Break	Good Friday, 2 April, Monday 5 April, Tuesday 6 April
End date	Friday, 16 April
TERM 2	
Start date	Monday, 3 May
Queens Birthday	Monday, 7 June
End date	Friday, 9 July
TERM 3	
Start date	Monday, 26 July
End date	Friday, 1 October
TERM 4	
Start date	Monday, 18 October
Labour Day	Monday, 25 October
End date	Thursday, 16 December

Important Dates		
Date	Event	
Fri 26 March	Senior swimming sports	
Fri 2 April	Good Friday - school closed	
Mon 5 April	Easter Monday - school closed	
Tues 6 April	Easter break - school closed	
Fri 9 April	Assembly 9:10am (Middle School sharing	
Mon 12 April	BOT meeting (7pm staffroom)	
Tues 13 April	Seniors on camp	
Fri 16 April	Term 1 finishes at 3pm, Seniors return from camp	



### From the School Office

### EMERGENCY FOOD PACK

Thank you to those families that have returned their child's emergency food packs. In order to be prepared for an emergency, we would like every child to bring an ice-cream container (2 litre as shown in the picture for easy stacking), packed with food items ie spaghetti/baked beans, small tin of fruit, muesli bars, barley sugars etc. Please avoid items containing nuts due to allergies. We would appreciate it if you could return your containers to the school before the end of this term, last day being Friday, 16 April. Please ensure the containers have your child's name, room and



House colour clearly labelled. The office now has plenty of ice cream containers if you need one.

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

French Lessons at Boulcott School - Fun French for kids at Boulcott School on Thursday 3:20pm. Children speak French from the first lesson. Lessons are based on interactive activities, role play, crafts, active games and music. Free trial lesson. After that \$14.50 per 50 minute lesson, plus a membership starter pack of materials to use at home. To register contact Stefi on stefi@lcfclubs.co.nz or 021 178 2099. Visit the website www.lcfclubs.co.nz.

**Wellington Hockey** - Have a go session. Give hockey a try. Click on the facebook link below for more information. https://www.facebook.com/160901687265686/posts/3833605856661899/?d=n

**2021 Wellington Marathon and the Heart Foundation** - Sunday, 27 June. The Heart Foundation is the official charity partner for the Wellington Marathon where we are looking for runners to fundraise for the Heart Foundation to fight New Zealand's single biggest killer - heart disease. It's quick and easy to get started. Simply register for the event and enter the distance of your choice and then create your fundraising page and spread the word to your friends and family! We'll be there to support you every step of the way, plus, once your fundraising is underway, you'll receive a Heart Foundation running t-shirt. We are also looking for volunteers to help at this event. Click on the link for more information. https://www.heartfoundation.org.nz/get-involved/wellington-marathon-volunteers.

**Tall Poppy Real Estate** - Considering making a property decision? Let's talk. Call Anna Geremia-Young 021 118 5833 or go to www.tallpoppy.co.nz/our-salespeople/anna-geremia-young.



Holiday Programmes

Hutt City Musical Theatre - Production of Annie JR. 21 April - 1 May. For bookings go to trybooking.com.

**Marrzipan Holiday Workshop -** It's almost time for our WELLINGTON HOLIDAY WORKSHOP with Josh and Dan! The Marrzipan Drama Holiday Workshop runs from Mon 19 - Fri 23 April. Students will devise their own play from scratch, create characters, direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes and get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day! Past workshops have been a great hit! As well as having fun, the children develop confidence and public speaking ability, in a fun, relaxed environment. For more information check out our website! Spaces are limited to 16 per group so get in quick! **W:** marrzipandrama.co.nz

E: Josh@marrzipandrama.co.nz P: 022 436 5608.

**Volleyball Camp** - 27 April, 1 Day School Holiday Camp. Click on the link below for more information. <u>https://forms.gle/2E2JcsGQ4PEA4v3k8</u>.

Artrageous April Holiday Adventure: 19 – 30 April 2021 » Programme BOOK ARTRAGEOUS APRIL

Aimed at children aged 5-10 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! **Bookings essential. BOOK NOW!** *Venue:* Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington. 8.30am–3:00pm \$79 and after care 3:00pm-5.30pm \$15



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