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I hope you all had a relaxing Easter break, catching up with friends, family and/or 'me' time! The Boulcott children seem to have welcomed the short break with lots of stories about holidaying, chocolate eggs and hot cross buns!

It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of Term 1! On Tuesday we will be farewelling our Senior Syndicate as they head off to Camp Makahika - what an exciting way to end the term! We hope the weather is kind to them for their outdoor adventures.

There have been some exciting learning opportunities throughout the school over the past couple of weeks. Last week we had a visit from St Johns and all the classes had an opportunity to learn some basic first aid training from an expert. Our Senior Syndicate also visited Stokes Valley Pool for their annual Swimming Sports event. It was great to hear wonderful stories of excellent sportsmanship, healthy competition and House spirit!

This week has also seen a Student Council initiative come to life! Syndicate Wheels Days are now in place for lunch times. This gives students the opportunity to bring along their wheels to ride on. The days are:

Mondays: Year 5 and 6 Wednesdays: Year 3 and 4 Fridays: Year 1 and 2

Well done to everyone involved in getting this great idea up and

running!

It is not just these 'events' that make Boulcott School a great place to learn and play. There are also plenty of amazing things happening in the classrooms! I'm lucky enough to pop into the classrooms throughout the day and check out all these amazing things, plus I get the privilege of seeing all the posts that are shared from all the classrooms on Seesaw. WOW! There is so much variety! Beautiful artwork, creative writing, accurate maths, Te Reo Maori and wonderful examples of students reflecting on their learning. If you haven't visited Seesaw recently, I encourage you to do so, as it provides a 'window' for you to view your child's learning in the classroom. Check out the graphic on the next page of the recent statistics from Boulcott School's Seesaw page.

Week of March 28 - April 4 at Boulcott School



147 New Items



281 Likes



34 Comments



327Parent Visits



THANK YOU HOME AND SCHOOL!

You'll recall our Home and School Committee had outstanding financial success for our February Twilight Gala, raising \$24,000 for the school. At the last Home and School meeting we were able to make some decisions about where this money is going to be spent - how exciting! Below is a brief outline on what they have committed their funding towards:

Focus	Description	Home and School funding
Chromebooks for Year 3 and 4 Syndicate	In 2018/19 the school invested in 50 chromebooks to be utilised in our Senior School. The introduction of these devices have assisted in the integration of the digital technologies curriculum, enhanced other areas of the curriculum and provided a platform for students and staff to collaborate online. We are looking at expanding our chromebook implementation further down the school, into the Middle Syndicate. We have been successful with a community grant of \$4,000 and the school is contributing \$4,000.	\$5,500
Structured Literacy Classroom pack.	At the end of last year, Home and School committed to fund 2 classroom packs to support the new Structured Literacy programme in the Junior School. 1 pack purchased by Home and School in December 2020 (Room 7) 1 pack purchased by School in February 2021 (Room8) 1 further pack to be purchased by Home and Schoolin April 2021. (Room 9 - opening in Term 2 2021)	\$4,000
Classroom budgets	Traditionally Home and School tops up the classroombudget for teachers to utilise throughout the year. This is always important as it means teachers don't have to dip into their own pockets to fund consumables for lessons/activities. Each classroom has a small budget from the school's budget. Last year Home and School topped this up by another\$200.	\$3200

Whiteboard for Junior Literacy	Support the Structured Literacy programme.	\$850
Trestle tables	Many of our trestle tables are getting to the end of their life. Although not used often, they are an essential item for events - including our Galas!	\$60-\$80 per table
Stools of the Middle school	These stools will be useful for our students sitting around conference tables with their teachers.	\$600
Sandpit Toys	Many of our existing equipment for the sandpit is getting to the end of its life.	\$600
Wet Weather Games for classrooms	During rainy days, having hands-on engaging entertainment for the students is essential.	\$600
PB4L Signage	Over the past three years the school has developed a new vision, drafted localised curriculum and unpacked our CHEER values through PB4L initiatives. One of the school's strategic goals for 2021 is commencing our rebranding journey to bring these components to life. The 2021 school budget has dedicated funding for developing a new logo for our school. Additional funding would provide an opportunity to reimage our CHEER values and our Learning Assets.	\$2,500-\$3000 (NB: This will be funded from existing Home and School money, not Gala proceeds)

What a fantastic contribution! It is wonderful to see so many of these items directly impacting the Boulcott student's learning and well-being. The team is also investigating community grants for more science equipment throughout the school and new equipment for the playground - WATCH THIS SPACE!





Touch Rugby - Congratulations to the Boulcott Broncos touch rugby team on gaining 1st place in the Year 3 & 4 mixed section 2. Well done.

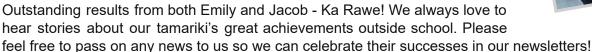
Water Polo - Registrations close at 3pm on Thursday, 8 April for Year 5 & 6 students wanting to play water polo in Terms 3 & 4 at Stokes Valley pool.

KA PAI EMILY AND JACOB!

These two siblings have been reaching for the stars outside of school over the past month. Congratulations to Emily who performed incredibly well at the Wellington Junior Athletic Championships last month. She achieved:

- A gold medal for 4x 100m relays
- 2 silver medals for 100m and shotput
- 2 bronze medals for 60m and 200m sprints

Jacob participated in the Porirua Grand Traverse last week - a 9.2km race over steep hills and rugged terrain. Jacob placed 5th overall and 1st in his age group!





At the end of the term we will sadly be farewelling Darlene Avia. Darlene is heading off to Auckland and has been successful at securing a job at Hobsonville Point School - a very well regarded primary school! As reported earlier, Dana Skinner and Ruth Olds will be taking over from Darlene in Room 14 from Term 2. Dana will have a couple of days working in Room 14, alongside Darlene next week to assist with a smooth transition.

We are excited to have our new roll growth class start up at the beginning of Term 2. Jane Anstiss will be taking on this classroom teacher roll in Room 9, with 9 children to start the term. We also welcome back Jenny Fraser to the teaching team, who will be taking over teacher release days in Rooms 7,8 and 9.

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 www.boulcott.school.nz, 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 Broadcasters</u>

The New Outside Classroom!!

At the start of the year it was still in construction but now it's open for everyone!! The new outside classroom! It's a cool learning space for classes to enjoy. Lots of people enjoy it for doing dance routines and some people like to





'pretend-play' there. There's even a really cool chalkboard for everyone to use. With the artificial grass it is a nice place to lie and relax. There's really nice seats to sit on. Did you know that classes can learn there? When classes are learning there, they can see lots of flowers because it's in the wonderful garden. I went to the outside classroom to ask some kids. What do you like about the outside classroom? Some kids said they like the fake grass and sitting on the seats. They also like to draw on the chalkboard. Special thanks to Gavin van Staden and his friends for making this all happen!!

Lily O

Boulcott Broadcaster

First Aid Training

Hello Boulcott families. Last week the whole school did first aid training with St John. Josie was our teacher. We learnt lots of helpful first aid skills and practised what to do in different scenarios. We practised applying bandages, how to ring for help, keeping someone still if they have broken a bone, helping with burns and putting people in the safe side position (this used to be called the recovery position).

We also learnt about the D.R.S.A.B.C.D. The first d stands for danger, the r stands for response, the s stands for send for help, the a stands for airway, the b stands for breathing, the c stands for CPR and the d stands for defibrillator.

At the end we all got a certificate from St John for doing the training.

Regan Boulcott Broadcaster





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: Dhruv

Year 2: Frank

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

Nga mihi nui Stu Devenport **Principal**

Important Dates		
Date	Event	
Fri 9 April	Assembly 9:10am (Middle School sharing, Junior Syndicate Wheels Day	
Mon 12 April	BOT meeting (7pm staffroom), Senior Syndicate Wheels Day	
Tues 13 April	Seniors on camp	
Wed, 14 April	Middles Syndicate Wheels Day	
Fri 16 April	Term 1 finishes at 3pm, Seniors return from camp	

2021 Term Dates

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

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 pleaty



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's Cutest Kids - We are looking for Wellington's cutest children (Aged 1-10) to be photographed for our Cutest Kids of Wellington book. For a \$50 participation fee you'll have your child photographed by Laura at our studio with at least one awesome picture going into our book and you will have the opportunity to purchase photos as artwork to display in your home. The \$50 participation fee will be donated to Wellington Children's hospital. For more information go to www.lauraridleyphotography.com or phone 021 457 703.

Spotlight Performing Arts - Performing arts classes led by a London West End performer. After school and weekend classes in Aotea, Johnsonville, Karori and Lower Hutt! Two week trials available. For more information, please visit www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz.

Holiday Programmes

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

Whitby Collegiate - Keen to develop your own game? Join Whitby Collegiate's three day April holiday programme where you'll learn to programme using Python, build in advanced concepts and complete your own arcade style game. Bring along your own laptop or use the school's desktop computers. To register, visit www.whitbycollegiate.school.nz/holiday-programmes.

For further information about the programmes please contact sally.rose@whitbycollegiate.school.nz Limited spaces available so get in quick!

April School Holidays + the ANZAC's Free Activities on Jackson Street - This year Anzac Day falls in the middle of the school holidays, so the Jackson Street Programme (JSP) is combining the two events – have fun discovering our Street while learning about our history! For two weeks between 17 April - 2 May, there will be: a scavenger hunt where you need to find 6 of the Allies flags in various shops - everyone goes into a draw to win a prize, hopscotch outlines along the Street with different Anzac themes, colour-in a wreath competition – to be judged by the Lower Hutt RSA, make-a-wreath instruction sheet, an Anzac word-find ...and more, all for FREE! Keep an eye on both the JSP's website and Facebook page for more details (prizes will be determined by the age of the winners). We really look forward to seeing you and your whanau having fun on Jackson Street these school holidays.

Circus School - The Circus Hub in Wellington offers circus classes that are fun, exciting and challenging. We also run classes for all ages preschool to adults. Bookings essential, book online today at www.circus.org.nz.

Kids Domain - April 2021 School holiday programme. Online bookings are now open. For more information go to www.kidsdomain.biz, email kidsdomain@slingshot.co.nz, phone 027 474 9573 or visit our facebook page on www.facebook.com/kidsdomain.



Holiday Programme

Term 1 2021

Full Day 7.00am to 6.00pm \$ 55 Trip Day 7.00am to 6.00pm \$ 65

Short Day 8.30am to 3.00pm \$ 42

Half Day 7.00am to 12.30pm OR 12.30pm to 6.00pm \$ 35

Wellington

Mon 19th April

Backyard Birds

Spread your wings and get creative with DIY bird homes, macrame bird feeders, crafts, challenges and more!



Mon 26th April

Closed

Sorry, we're closed for ANZAC Day.

Take care and we'll see you tomorrow!





Tue 20th April

TRIP: Ice Skating

Today we're off to Daytona Raceway for some Ice-Skating Fun! Remember to wear socks, bring a jumper and have your shoe size written on the back of your hand



Tue 27th April

TRIP: Awesome

Bounce

Bounce, Jump

and Hop on over

to Awesome

Bounce today!

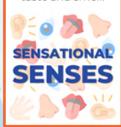
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Sensational Senses

Wed 21st April

Put your senses to the test today with blindfolded drawing, slime, putty and playdough creations, DIY harmonicas and challenges to test your knowledge of taste and smell!



Wed 28th April

Out of this

World

Journey to a

Galaxy far, far

away today as we

competein

astronaut training

before learning

how craters form

and creating sun

catchers, shooting

star launchers and

fizzy moon rocks!

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TRIP: Tom & Jerry: The Movie

Thu 22nd April

Everyone's
favourite cat and
mouse team bring
their classic rivalry
to the big screen
in the animated
comedy
adventure, TOM &
JERRY – only in
cinemas.



Fri 23rd April

Spies & Detectives

Could you crack the code and uncover who stole the missing diamonds? How about write secret messages in invisible ink...? Find out today as we do all that and more!



Thu 29th April

TRIP: Theatre

We're off to Hutt City Musical Theatre for the live production of Annie the musical, junior version! Bring a comfy pillow to sit on and enjoy the show!



Fri 30th April

Dino Dash!

Roar, stomp and roar some more this Dino day!
Today we're digging for dinosaur fossils and creating our own! Have fun with Fizzing Dino Eggs and tasty landscape cups!



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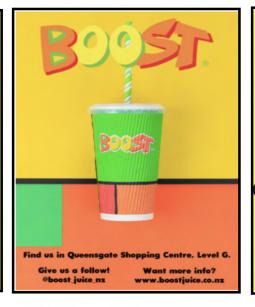
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