





Kia ora koutou o te Boulcott whānau,

Brrrr! It has certainly been a chilly and wet start to the working week! I hope you have all managed to keep warm and dry. This kind of weather can often make it challenging at school, particularly when the children are unable to have break times outside to run off some steam. Fortunately, the teachers have plenty of effective strategies to utilise to keep everyone happy during wet lunchtimes. A big thank you to everyone who attended our Learning Conversations Evenings last week. We hope you all appreciated the opportunity to meet with your child's classroom teacher to learn more about their progress and successes.

We are well under way with our Term 3 learning programmes across the school. As you would have read from our Syndicate newsletters, there is a big focus on science this term. Earlier in the term, Melissa Coton facilitated a fantastic professional development session for the teachers on the importance of teaching science in primary school and getting tamariki excited about science. We are also using the expertise of Ruth Olds on a Thursday to provide guidance and an extra pair of hands with science experiments in class. We hope your child is coming home and sharing some of their science experiences with you at home!

I have recently really enjoyed taking a look through Seesaw, our online learning portal, where we share what is happening in the classroom with you at home. There is such a variety of learning experiences happening across the school... Harakeke classes celebrating their 100 days at school, beautiful art created for calendars, creative writing and accurate problem solving in maths. Not only that, it is great to see students continuing to be acknowledged for their 100 CHEER tokens they have earned for their House and School. Our PB4L container is VERY CLOSE to reaching capacity again, which means another whole school reward will be just around the corner!

Just an advanced 'heads up' for you. Our next planned Teacher Only Day at Boulcott School is **Monday**, **15 November**, which is next term and 3 months away. As part of the agreement in the Education Accord between the Ministry of Education & NZEI, each school is entitled to eight Teacher Only Days between 2019 and 2022. This is to support curriculum development to manage teacher workload.

We have also confirmed our term dates for the 2022 school year. These dates can be found towards the end of this newsletter.

## HE MĀORI AHAU PROGRAMME

Last Friday, Matua Whaitiri commenced our first "He Māori Ahau - I am Māori" session. The programme runs for the term and is designed to give our Māori tamariki an insight into a variety of aspects of our culture. The structure for the lessons follow the format below:

- Tikanga 101 The first session focused on "What makes us Māori?".
- Story time Last week was the story, Rona and the Moon
- Activity Tititorea (short sticks)

This is an exciting new initiative Matua Whaitiri is providing for our Māori tamariki. We look forward to hearing more exciting experiences the group will be exploring over the term!

## **40 HOUR FAMINE**

This year we raised a massive \$1981 to help kids in sub-Saharan Africa at risk of hunger.

A special shout out to the following students for their incredible effort:

Ella from Room 3 raised \$905 George from Room 4 raised \$425 Bach from Room 4 raised \$248 Zac from Room 15 raised \$113

Thank you to all of the students who participated in the challenge and to all the families who generously supported them.

## **RUNNING CLUB**

Running Club is happening again this term. We look forward to seeing you again this Friday, 13 August at 8am, meeting under the shade sail. Students of all year levels, parents and staff are welcome. If it is raining it will be cancelled. If your child requires medical or other support, please make sure a parent/caregiver is present.

## **ANYONE WANT A SOFA?**

We have a number of quality, comfy sofas that were donated to us from the Interislander ferries. If anyone would like one for their home and you have the ability to move them, feel free to give us a call at the school office.

## **CALENDAR ART**

Yesterday, your child brought home an order form and information regarding Calendar Art. All orders are due by Wednesday, 25 August. Payments are online only to the Home and School account (12-3478-005621-00). Please include your child's name and room number as a reference. There is a display of art work on the Home and School notice board and samples of the products at the office for view. Any questions please email karen\_henry@boulcott.school.nz.





## SPORT COUNTY

Good luck to all our students involved in winter sports this term - Water Polo, Badminton, Basketball and Netball. Thank you to all of our awesome coaches and managers who help us out every week.

#### **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 0: Jordan, Marley, India, Zuri

Year 2: Ayva, Arthur

#### **LIBRARY**

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 5. Online LOOP orders only. Online orders close today at 3pm.







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, 6 August:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	Frankie	Addison
Room 7	Arlo	Aaliyah
Room 8	Jacob Flynn	
Room 9	Richie Marlowe	
Room 10	Arthur B	Franklin
Room 11	Ayva	Jasper
Room 12	Addi T	Jack
Room 13	William	
Room 14	Isla	Ruby
Room 15	Indie	Heidi
Room 16	Chloe	Azariah
Room 1	Mica	Shamil
Room 3	Lachlan F	Regan
Room 4	Camden	Jacob
Room 5	Kristian	Aria



# **Boulcott Broadcasters**

## **Tuesday Boulcott Badminton**

Thwack! Every Tuesday some amazing Senior kids go to Hutt Valley Badminton to play against other schools. The games are organised by Badminton Hutt Valley. This is

where school teams compete against each other in singles and doubles with rallies. The Year 5&6 teams are:

**Boulcott Jets** 

**Boulcott Wolverines** 

**Boulcott Sharks** 

**Boulcott Broncos** 

Some weeks they play each other, but most weeks they play with other schools across the Hutt Valley. The winner of the match is the first to 21 points. The overall winner is the team who wins the most rallies. Here

are a few quotes from people who play. "It's really fun." "Yeah good" "It is cool because you learn some new skills like serving and hitting."

It will continue all term so keep watching for any other news. We will tell you who wins at the end of the season.

Regan

**Boulcott Broadcasters** 



This term the Board of Trustees are reviewing a couple of school-wide policies. The key policies we invite parent feedback on is our 'Complaints and Concerns' and 'Behaviour Management' procedures. To access this information click here for directions to the

SchoolDocs site. If you would like to provide







## TERM DATES 2022

right hand side of the page.

Term 1: Wednesday, 2 February - Thursday, 14 April

feedback on the procedure, click on the green button on the top

Term 2: Monday, 2 May - Friday, 8 July

Term 3: Monday, 25 July - Friday, 30 September

Term 4: Monday, 17 October - Thursday, 15 December

## **Public Holidays:**

Monday, 8 February: Waitangi Day (Mondayised)

Friday, 15 April: Good Friday

Monday, 6 June: Queen's Birthday

Friday, 24 June: Matariki

Monday, 24 October: Labour Day

Ngā mihi nui Stu Devenport **Principal** 

## **CENTENARY**

Are you a past student of Boulcott School? Are your parents or grandparents past students of Boulcott School? We are looking for people, photos, memories,



items and stories of Boulcott School's history. Boulcott School was officially opened in 1928 and our centenary is only 7 years away. Do you think you have anything to share with us? Please contact Mrs Olds and the Senior Inquiry group at <a href="mailto:ruth\_olds@boulcott.school.nz">ruth\_olds@boulcott.school.nz</a>.

#### 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

Important Dates		
Date	Event	
Tues, 17 Aug	Swimming time trials 10am - 12:30pm (only some students)	
Fri, 20 Aug	Assembly 9:10am	
Tues, 24 Aug	New Parent Evening 6-7pm	
Fri, 3 Sept	Onesie Day, Central Zone swimming, Assembly 9:10am	
Mon, 6 Sept	BOT meeting (7pm staffroom)	
Fri, 10 Sept	Jump Off	
Tues, 14 Sept	ArtSplash	
Wed, 15 Sept	Pizza Lunch, Community Hui with Murray Gadd 7-8:30pm	
Thurs, 16 Sept	Science Roadshow	
Thurs, 23 Sept	World of Waste tour (30 students)	
Fri, 24 Sept	InterZone swimming	
Mon 27 Sept	Book Week	
Wed, 29 Sept	Celebration of Learning Evening	
Fri, 1 Oct	Assembly 9:10am	

### **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 <a href="mailto:stefi@lcfclubs.co.nz">stefi@lcfclubs.co.nz</a> or 021 178 2099. Visit the website <a href="https://www.lcfclubs.co.nz">www.lcfclubs.co.nz</a>.

**Children's Asthma Study** - The aim of the CARE study is to find out if there is a difference in the number of asthma attacks between two treatments. 380 children will be enrolled across New Zealand to take part in this study and will be randomly assigned to use Ventolin or Symbicort Rapihaler for a year.

To find out more information go to:

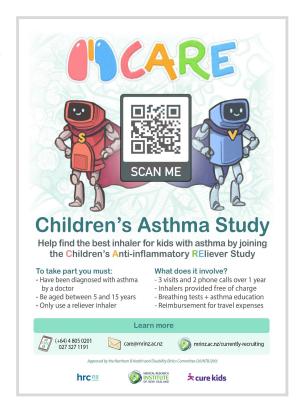
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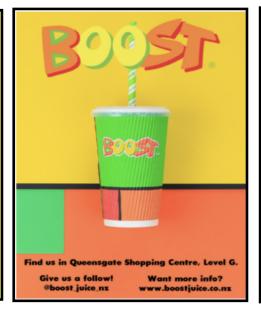
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