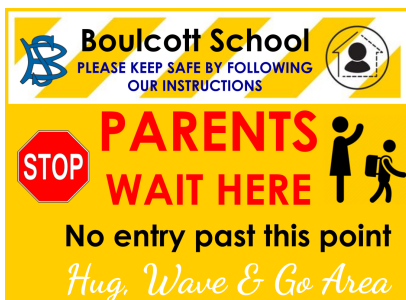


Kia ora koutou Boulcott whānau,

This newsletter contains the key points to keep in mind while we are operating under Level 2. Most of you will be very familiar with these protocols but it is important to refresh your memory. Please note, there is also an update on face coverings.

We know all the children will be super excited to see all of their classmates and teachers tomorrow so it would also be useful to remind your child/ren about social distancing rules and avoid hugging - have a chat instead!

Important points for Boulcott School operating in Level 2:



We are restricting adults visiting school.

- 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.
- If necessary, Room 9 and 13 parents can pick up and drop off from the external classroom doors. **Please do not arrive early for pick up or linger after drop off.**
- 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/classroom teacher instead. School Office is 566 3058, email info@boulcott.school.nz
- 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.



**Stay home
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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.



Sign-in. Stop the virus.

Help protect yourself, your whānau, and your community with our contact tracing app.

Search NZ COVID Tracer app now:



Download and use the COVID-19 Tracer App

- If you have not downloaded the Government Tracer App, we recommend you do so asap.
- If you are visiting school, please sign in to Boulcott School using the posters displayed around the school.



Face coverings.

Face coverings are not mandated for use when in schools.

This is not a requirement for anyone in a school setting.

It remains an option for individuals and a decision for the individuals and whānau. Whatever decisions students and teachers make, it is their own to make and our staff will support this decision. Where an individual chooses to use a face covering they should supply and wear their own, and to do so safely. This option applies to younger children too.

Public Health advice for those under six is getting children to cough and sneeze into their elbow and wash and dry hands. The use of masks is permitted but **not actively encouraged**.

Visitors (including parents) to the school are encouraged to wear face coverings, but again this is not mandated.

There will be differences of view about the use of face coverings, and it is important to show tolerance toward individual choice in this matter.

Further information

SKIDS After and Before School Care is open for business as usual.

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

Thanks to you all for your continued support.

Ngā Manaakitanga,

Stu Devenport

Principal