

# The Boulcott Broadcast



Wednesday, 3 November 2021

Kia ora Boulcott whānau,

Well, Term 4 is certainly ticking along at quite a pace! It has been lovely to have some clear, warm days over the last couple of weeks so we can make the most of the beautiful outdoors!

The weather certainly came to the party on the first Friday of the term for our special outdoor assembly to officially launch our new school logo. The design of our new tohu was a collaborative process involving input from our student leaders, parent groups and staff. It brings our new vision of *STAND TALL, FLY HIGH, TOGETHER*' to life.

The logo symbol is packed with meaning. At its core is a heart shape. This reflects the caring nurturing place that Boulcott School is in the community. Each of the CHEER values are represented by the heart shape. The shape comprises five parts symbolising the five values.

Another core aspect underpinning the logo design shape is collaboration and partnership. At the base are two V shapes representing arms outstretched -STANDING TALL. They are the arms of younger and older students, staff and whānau... TOGETHER. Also TOGETHER they are seen in the top part FLYING HIGH in the shape of a bird. Both wing parts of the bird have a koru shape. Boulcott students soar high. Once they leave the school they are capable of flying even higher and achieving even greater things as a result of what they have discovered at school.

We couldn't think of a better way to celebrate our new beginnings than with cake! Yum! A big thank you to Samara Poutawa and her mum Brenda who created our awesome logo cake. We had one of our longest serving Boulcott students, Kelly, and two of our youngest students Anja and Lailia do the honours of cutting our cake!

You will start to see our new tohu pop up around the place as we softly roll it out across the school.



If you are interested in watching the full ceremony of our launch, check out the link <u>here.</u>

After the fun of our logo launch our Year 3 to 6 students continued on outside for our annual Athletics Day.

Well done to all the students that participated and a special congratulations to the Year 6 Tui relay team who beat the Teachers and Parent/Teachers in the final race of the day!

We are also super impressed with the following students below, who were our overall year group champions across all events they participated in on the day. Super proud of you all!

# ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS 2021

	1st	2nd/runner up	
Year 3 Girls	Kailani M	Elyse T Emily W	
Year 3 Boys	Harlan O	Kobe W	
Year 4 Girls	Addison K	Alice C Ilex W	
Year 4 Boys	Preston S	Azariah AB	
Year 5 Girls	Chelsea P	Anna H	
Year 5 Boys	Joseph M	Declan C	
Year 6 Girls	Charlee S	Harper W Lucy W	
Year 6 Boys	Will H	Brandon Z	

## MANDATORY COVID 19 VACCINATIONS FOR SCHOOL.

The response by New Zealanders to this latest Covid-19 outbreak has been strong, with high rates of testing and more and more people getting vaccinated.

You'll no doubt be aware, the Government has announced nationwide mandatory vaccination for the education workforce in order to work onsite as a means of protecting you, your whānau, our students, each other and of course protecting our broader school community.

In accordance with the recently released Public Health Orders related to testing and vaccination, any adult on site while students are present are required to have received your first COVID-19 vaccination by **15 November 2021** and to be fully vaccinated by **1 January 2022**.

We have started the process of gathering this information from our paid Boulcott staff. The next step is to gather information on other adults that regularly visit school, for example, itinerant teachers, private tutors, music tutors, contractors etc. This will also include parent volunteers that are on-site while students are present. If this applies to you, you may receive a short survey from us to complete, so your details can be kept on our register.

We are still seeking more clarity around how these mandated vaccinations will apply to parents being onsite for the purposes of "being a parent".

As you can appreciate, these are quite tricky waters we are navigating in this new 'Covid World'. We are continuing to keep up to date with the frequent guidance from the Ministry of Education and share this with you in a timely fashion.

#### PROPERTY UPDATE

Things are progressing well with our Senior School redevelopment project. If you've walked past school recently you would have seen our new deck extension taking shape. Rooms 1 and 2 have been stripped and the enhancements to these spaces are coming together. Thanks so much for your patience while some of our access points to the school are restricted during this work.



#### LATENESS & HOLIDAYING

We have noticed a large amount of students have been

arriving late to school over the recent weeks. A reminder that school starts at **8:55am** and it is always good for students to arrive early, so they can connect with their peers and organise their belongings for the day ahead.

An additional reminder is that it is important to let the school office know if your child is going to be away from school and to give the reason why. If you are planning for your child to be away from school for an extended period of time, for example because of a family holiday, it is important you let the classroom teacher and myself know of your intentions.

#### **CLASS ORGANISATION & INTENTIONS FOR 2022**

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Senior Leadership Team has already commenced their planning for 2022. One of the key planning components is looking at our student numbers, so we have a good understanding of how many children we will have in each learning team. If your circumstances are changing and you know your child/ren will not be returning to Boulcott School in 2022 can you please contact me on principal@boulcott.school.nz.

Later in the term the teaching teams will commence the process of forming classes for 2022. This is often an intricate process where a lot of factors are taken into consideration. Learning, social, behaviour and emotional needs, are all put into the mix to ensure we make the right decisions for each child.

Although at Boulcott School we do not take parent requests for class placements, if you have some information you think we would find useful about your child, you are welcome to provide us with this. If you wish to do this, please let me know directly by Friday, 5 November. You can email your thoughts to principal@boulcott.school.nz

#### VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

With Level 2 restrictions we are unable to gather together to celebrate the learning, so we have had to go virtual again! Check out the link below to our first online assembly for Term 4, which shares some highlights from athletics day and other learning in Kahikatea. Our fortnightly CHEER award recipients are also celebrated. A big thanks to Zoe and Charlee for hosting our assembly last week too!

#### **TEACHER ONLY DAY - 15 NOVEMBER 2021**

Just a reminder for you, our next planned Teacher Only Day at Boulcott School is **Monday, 15 November**. As part of the agreement in the Education Accord between the Ministry of Education and NZEI, each school is entitled to eight Teacher Only Days between 2019 and 2022. This is to support curriculum development to manage teacher workload.

#### 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: Arie & Araminta Year 1: Richie

#### IT'S MOVEMBER

Yes, it is that time of the year again! All five men here at Boulcott School are proud to announce that they have begun

their Movember journey. Over the next month Matt, Luke, Dean, Craig and Stu will be trying their hardest to grow awesome moustaches to raise money and awareness for men's health. They will keep you posted throughout the month with a few wee things they have planned, but in the meantime here's the link to their official Movember page <a href="https://nz.movember.com/team/2404370">https://nz.movember.com/team/2404370</a> Here you'll be able to donate if you would like to. Thank you very much for your support and encouragement!

Boulcott School Bros.

Congratulations to the following students who have been our CHEER recipients from our last virtual		
assembly on 29 October. 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, 29 Oct:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	Evie	Zachary
Room 7	Kenzie	
	Noah	<b>a</b>
Room 8	Ethan	Quinlan
Room 9	Riku	
	Isabella	
Room 10	Lucas	Reyaansh
Room 11	Alice	Arshia
		James
Room 12	Freddie	Juan
Room 13	India	Noah S
Room 14	Lilly	Kobe
Room 15	George S	llex
Room 16	Simar	Sienna
Room 1	Scarlett	Mica
Room 3	Ethan L	Sophie
Room 4	Timothy	Lily M
Room 5	Grace	Ryan
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### THANK YOU

A big thank you to Hannah Parkes who has updated our CHEER awards with our new logo. They are looking very flash!



Nga mihi nui Stu Devenport **Principal** 

Important Dates			
Date	Event		
Wed, 3 Nov	Parent Evening 7pm (Navigating the Journey)		
Fri, 12 Nov	Assembly		
<mark>Mon, 15 Nov</mark>	Teacher Only Day (School closed)		
Fri, 19 Nov	St Bernards Open Day		
Wed, 24 Nov	Hutt International Boys Open Day		
Thurs, 25 Nov	Harakeke Athletics Day		
Fri, 26 Nov	Assembly, Postponement day for Harakeke Athletics		
Wed, 1 Dec	Cushion Concert (dependent on Level 2 restrictions)		
Fri, 3 Dec	Avalon Intermediate Orientation Morning, Road Patrol Party		
Mon, 6 Dec	BOT Meeting (7pm Staffroom)		
Mon, 13 Dec	Whole School Prizegiving (dependent on Level 2 restrictions)		
Tues, 14 Dec	Avalon Park Picnic - Whole School		
Thurs, 16 Dec	Final Assembly for 2021 - Last day of Term 4, school finishes at 1pm		

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Hutt Intermediate Open Day** - The scheduled Open Day for Hutt Intermediate was cancelled due to Level 2 restrictions and will not be rescheduled.

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

- Experience French learning in a 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

**Music Lessons – New Zealand Modern School of Music -** NZMSM is a private music school and provides lessons nationwide. Our goal is to make music lessons enjoyable and provide attainable results. If you are interested in attending one on one piano lessons, contact us on 027 289 2031 or email us at fouriecpr@gmail.com. Bring your musical talents to life with expert music tutoring!

**Badminton Hutt Valley is Hiring**- Badminton Hutt Valley is recruiting a ShuttleTime Officer to work in schools and the community delivering badminton development sessions in 2022.

Badminton Hutt Valley is seeking an exciting and enthusiastic person that enjoys working with children in sport,

and has a good level of spoken and written skills along with a suitable level of fitness. A love of sport is the main criteria for this role. Knowledge of badminton would be helpful but is not essential.

This is a permanent part-time position offering a minimum of 15 hours/week and is based at Badminton Hutt Valley's badminton hall as well as other venues across the Hutt Valley region. Hours of work will vary depending on the programmes running and will offer a level of flexibility.

If this opportunity is of interest to you then email your CV and Cover Letter to hvbadassoc@gmail.com or drop us a line for more information.

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