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School

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The

Boulcott Broadcast

Wednesday, 17 November 2021

Kia ora Boulcott whānau,

We are officially midway through Term 4. This time next month we will be farewelling our Year 6 leavers as we conclude another exciting year at Boulcott School.

Thanks for your support with our Teacher Only Day on Monday. This was a timely 'non-contact' day for teachers to get stuck into writing end of year reports for each of their learners in their class. There is a lot of information that is pulled together to create these reports; from individual and class assessments, to classroom observations. I know all the teachers thoroughly appreciate the quiet time to make a solid start on this process.

This week also marks a key date for the Covid-19 vaccination mandate for all education workers across the country. I'm pleased to let you know that as of this week 100% of the Boulcott staff have been vaccinated.

As reported in the last newsletter, this mandate also applies to other adults that come on site while our tamariki are here. The general rule for this is if you are on site, working in a role that is either paid or unpaid, you are required to be vaccinated. This does include if you are a parent who is volunteering in a role (eg Home and School help, classroom help, school trip helper, sports coach etc). If this applies to you, you would have received a short survey to complete so we can gather this information. This information is kept confidential at school. A huge thank you to everyone who has provided us with these details already.

You are NOT required to be vaccinated if you are onsite 'as a parent'. This includes dropping/collecting your children, settling them into class or attending parent/teacher meetings.

As we continue to operate in a Level 2 environment, we are preparing for what our end of year celebrations will look like with restrictions still in place. Many of you will be familiar with how things traditionally look at this time of year, with many events that are open for parents and caregivers to attend.



With current restrictions still in play, the end of year events may look very different this year. It is our priority to still host our annual Prize Giving, our Year 6 Leavers Evening and our final school assembly, but there may be a strong possibility that whānau will be unable to attend. We are currently exploring options to film these events so parents can still be involved, but sadly from a distance. We hope to confirm these arrangements with you in the next few weeks.

STAFF ORGANISATION 2022

I'm pleased to announce our teaching teams for 2022. There is little change from this year, apart from our two new additions, Sophie Kay and Molly Weaver.

Boulcott Teaching Teams 2022

Principal: Stu Devenport

Deputy Principal & SENCO: Jodi Mitchell

Associate Principal: Jo Lock

Harakeke Team: Year 1-2

Karen Clements (Team Leader)
Stacey Rowe
Jane Anstiss
Lisa Hassell
Leigh McGregor
Karen Henry
Brigit Scahill (release + roll growth)



Kōwhai Team: Year 3-4

Jo Lock (AP & Team Leader)
Lucy Bould
Gaylene Nankivell
Sophie Kay
Suzanne Cody (release teacher)
Jenny Fraser (release teacher)
Ruth Olds (release teacher)



Kahikatea Team: Year 5-6

Melissa Coton (Team Leader)
Luke Dentice
Corrina Rayson
Molly Weaver
Ruth Hooke (release teacher)
Ruth Olds (release teacher)



Learning Support - Fiona Ranchod

Also worth mentioning is both Jo Lock and myself have been awarded teaching/Principal sabbaticals for 2022. These sabbaticals are awarded to only a small number of individuals nationwide each year. This opportunity will provide us with paid leave for 'professional learning, reflection, rejuvenation' for 10 weeks. Next year, Jo will be taking her sabbatical during Term 4, while I will be taking mine during Term 2. Jodi Mitchell will be taking the 'hot seat' as Acting Principal in my absence, while Suzanne Cody will be covering for Jo Lock while she is away.

BOULCOTT'S GOT TALENT!

Boulcott's Got Talent commenced during the lunch times in the hall last week. The staff and students have been blown away with the outstanding performances over the past couple of weeks and such a variety of talent too! From singing, dancing, basketball, magic tricks, mime - the list goes on! Congratulations to everyone who showed the CHEER value of CONFIDENCE to get up in front of their peers to share. Ka rawe!

VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Check out the link below to our online assembly for Term 4 from last week, which shares some highlights from Boulcott's Got Talent and some awesome learning from Team Kōwhai. Our fortnightly CHEER award recipients are also celebrated. A big thanks to Sam and Dimas for hosting our assembly last week too!

[Term 4 Week 4 Assembly](#)



PUKUTĀKARO IN SCHOOLS (BUILD & PLAY)

We are super excited to have this Hutt City Council initiative at Boulcott School for the next couple of weeks, during lunchtimes. Pukutākaro is a project which promotes free play - independent of adult support. It essentially places a spectrum of gear in-situ at our primary schools and asks students to interact with that gear in a way that is personal to them. Through this process we see cooperation, negotiation, and sometimes conflict. Arming our young people with the skills to navigate these circumstances is an implicit outcome of the project.



WACKY HAIR DAY!

We had some zany hair creations last Friday for our Wacky Hair Day that was organised by our Student Council. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to this fundraiser to raise money for Nourish @ Christmas, who provide special Xmas hampers for families in need across the Hutt Valley. The Boulcott tamariki raised over \$650 for this worthy cause! Tino pai everyone!



MOVEMBER UPDATE

Speaking of Wacky Hair... The five male staff members at Boulcott continue their Movember journey. The photo is of the lads at the halfway point in the month - each sporting a fine moustache (some more so than others!). They've raised \$500.00 so far and there's still plenty of time to go. Here's the link to their official Movember page <https://nz.movember.com/team/2404370> - you'll be able to donate if you would like to. Thank you very much for your support and encouragement!



Boulcott School Bros



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: Kylah-Jade, Sahand, Max, Orson

Year 6: Lanaya



CHEER AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who have been our CHEER recipients from our last virtual assembly on 12 November. 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 Nov:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	Lea	Elizabeth
Room 7	Aaliyah	Charlee
Room 8	Amaris	Maddie I
Room 9	Richie L Zuri	
Room 10	Harry	Lucas
Room 11	Jay-Ming	Ayva



Room 13	Anja Lailia Zaryus	
Room 12	Tomás Nathan	Avi
Room 14	Jack Gene	Stanly
Room 15	Jameison	Amy Z
Room 16	Ethan Riley	
Room 1	Luke	Indie
Room 3	Kaleb	Klara
Room 4	Chelsea	Riley
Room 5	Georgia	Frances Mandy



Board News, 17 November 2021

Tena koutou Boulcott Whanau,

COVID-19 and Vaccination Mandate

The Board would like to sincerely thank Stu, our teachers, and all the Boulcott staff for their effort navigating the seemingly endless Level 2 environment, and more recently the vaccination mandates announced by the Government. Whilst we fully expect our end of year events to look different this year, which will no doubt impact us all as parents attending key events, the BoT fully support and endorse the MoE mandates and recently released Public Health Orders, and back our School Leadership Team to continue to protect our students, staff, whānau, and wider school community.

Finally, with the expected changes to our end of year celebrations, the Board would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents, whānau, and caregivers of our Year 6 leavers that are moving on from Boulcott School at the end of this year. Your commitment and dedication to our tamariki's journey at Boulcott has been fantastic, and as they now embark on the next stage of their education, with your ongoing support, they will continue to thrive. We wish you all the very best in 2022 and beyond.

2022 Sabbaticals

As a Board, we are extremely proud of the recent announcement of both Stu Devenport, and Jo Lock's successful applications for sabbaticals in 2022 through TeachNZ. With limited sabbatical opportunities available each year, for Boulcott School to have two successful candidates is fantastic, and a tribute to both Stu and Jo's commitment to our school, and tamariki.

Congratulations, and we all look forward to the benefits your research sabbaticals will bring to the school in the future.

Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

Term Dates 2022

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

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

Important Dates	
Date	Event
Thurs, 25 Nov	Harakeke Athletics Day
Fri, 26 Nov	Assembly, Postponement day for Harakeke Athletics
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

NzFire Volleyball - We are holding a coaching session this Sunday 21 November, for anyone who would like to attend. The coaching will be held at St Oran's College, 550 High Street, Lower Hutt. Sessions will run from 2pm till 6:30pm. Everyone is more than welcome to join.

- Year 7-8 & Below: 2pm-3:30pm
- Year 9-10: 3:30pm-5pm
- Year 11-13: 5pm-6:30pm

To sign up click on the following link: <https://forms.gle/KC95ztcn1feVb6ot7>

NZ Blood - New blood wanted, every Thursday or Friday at Avalon Pavilion, 61 Taita Drive, Lower Hutt. Book online at nzblood.co.nz, via the app or phone 0800 448 325.

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