

The Boulcott Broadcast



Wednesday, 10 August 2022

Kia ora koutou Boulcott Whānau,

I hope you are all managing to keep warm and dry through this rather grey winter... not long to wait until we hopefully see the first signs of Spring!

Thank you to everyone who attended our Learning Conversations last week. The teachers really appreciated the time to reconnect with you all and celebrate the successes your tamariki have made over the past 6 months.

We are well and truly into the learning programmes for Term 3 and it is great to see such a high level of engagement throughout all the classrooms. Well done to the large group of students from Kahikatea who participated in the Hutt STEMM Competition last week. This was a great opportunity for them to demonstrate their collaborative and problem solving skills, while competing against other teams from local schools. A huge congratulations to the Boulcott Fast and Furious Team who claimed 3rd place in the Year 5 and 6 division.

There are several other external opportunities coming up for our Kahikatea students to get involved in this term. We currently have a small group of students preparing for the annual Tournament of Minds competition, the Children's Literacy Quiz and Mathswell competition. The entire Syndicate is also preparing for the annual HuttFest Competition in the final week of the term. This is always a special night of showcasing our Kapa haka with other local schools. It is wonderful to see these events return to the school calendar after several years of Covid interruptions.

Keep a look out for details on our special Book Week which we are planning for Week 5 (starting 22 August). This is also a highlight for the children (and staff) and will conclude with a Book Character Dress Up Day on Friday, 26 August. We can't wait to see what costumes are on show!

BOULCOTT SCHOOL LOCAL CURRICULUM

Over the last couple of years, a small group of Boulcott teachers have been developing a localised curriculum for our kura. This informative document provides high level commentary on what we believe is essential for a quality education for our Boulcott tamariki. It is directly linked to the National Curriculum of New Zealand and encapsulates all the philosophies we have implemented in the classrooms over the past 3 years. This includes our Vision, Values, Learning Dispositions, Behaviour Management, Assessment and statements on the core subjects of Literacy, Numeracy and Inquiry.



Once our content was confirmed, we enlisted the expertise of a fabulous Boulcott parent, Hannah Parkes who worked her magic on the layout and incorporating our new logo. A huge thanks for all your time and expertise on this important document Hannah! We are all very happy with the final product. We are really interested in hearing what you think too. Feel free to check it out using the link <u>here</u>. Any constructive feedback would be greatly appreciated, email your thoughts to me on <u>principal@boulcott.school.nz</u> or Jo Lock on jo lock@boulcott.school.nz

Ngā mihi nui Stu Devenport Principal



NEW PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT

Tena koutou Boulcott Whanau,

As you will have read by now, Stu Devenport will be moving on to Muritai School next term to take up the role as Principal there. At our meeting this week we reflected on the amazing work he has done over the past 5 years here at Boulcott. And while we are sad

to see him go, bringing a new Principal into the role brings new opportunities for change and growth to our school and tamariki. The Board of Trustees (BOT) has decided to work with an Independent Advisor to assist us with the process of appointing a new Principal, and to bring their experience in the education environment to help us find the best candidate for our school.

We will have a further update in our next newsletter and a timeline that we can share with you then. We are already working alongside the Senior Leadership Team to ensure there is good continuity to the management of the school while we are working towards an appointment. Throughout this process we will continue to provide regular updates to the staff, parents and wider school community. If you have any questions, please contact us via email bot@boulcott.school.nz

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Nominations closed on Wednesday, 3 August with a total of 11 nominations received. Voting papers will be posted out on Wednesday, 10 August, along with candidate statements from each of our nominees. Voting papers must be returned to school by **4pm on Wednesday**, **7 September**. There will be a voting box located in the office for you to post your voting paper. We strongly encourage you to vote as we have a high calibre of candidates. Votes are counted on **Tuesday**, **13 September** with results announced on **Wednesday**, **14 September**. If you would like to know more about the candidates who are standing for election please pop into the office foyer where their photo and candidate statements will be displayed.

HOME AND SCHOOL

Family Pie Fundraiser - Family and friends will love these Centa Bakery family-sized pies. Order forms for this fundraiser were sent home on Monday with your eldest child. Order forms are due back at school by **Wednesday, 24 August**. No late orders will be accepted. Payment can either be made via cash when the order form is returned or through the Home and School account, **12-3478-0056621-00** (ref:child's name pies

child's room). Pies will be available to collect from the staffroom between 2:30pm - 4pm on Thursday, 8 September. Any questions please contact <u>homeschool@boulcott.school.nz</u>.

WHĀNAU RŌPU

Nga mihi nui kia koutou. I hope this newsletter finds everybody well. We are in the finishing stages of updating our tohu/design slightly to adapt to the new school logo and look forward to being able to advertise our hoodies in the next few weeks. We appreciate your patience and we are sure you won't be disappointed. We have a fish and chip fundraiser coming up and there will be a google form with all the information needed coming out soon. We are also having a hui for all Maori students and whānau, open to anyone in our community, who will like to attend. The hui is an opportunity to meet our new whānau, lay foundations and look at how we can make our Boulcott journey an inclusive one where our voices are integral to the growth, nurturing and wellbeing of our tamariki. These dates will be advertised soon. Keep warm, stay well. **E raka te maui, e raka te katau - A community can use all the skills of its people.**

LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 5, online orders only, via LOOP, close Thursday, 18 August. Free book giveaway with this issue. Spend over \$30 when you place an order on LOOP and a list of free titles to choose from will display before checkout.



CHEER Awards -Term 3 Week 2

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.

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| Room 5 Room 6 Room 7 Room 8 | Matilda Michael Max Asha Ollie T | Anouk Petra |
| Room 9 Room 10 Room 11 | River Orson Ayushi Mileena Joanna Basil | India |
| Room 12 Room 13 Room 15 Room 16 | Kailani Carter W Cooper Zara | Amy Z Carter B Georgia Harlan |
| Room 1 Room 2 Room 3 Room 4 | Toby Asher Abigail K Mustafa | Luke Leo Stanly Nishant |







Waterpolo - The Boulcott Makos have been having some close games at Stokes Valley pool on a Wednesday as part of the Primary Waterpolo league. A big thanks to Kieran Davies for coaching the team.

YUMMY STICKERS

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It's time to collect Yummy stickers! Shop at your local New World, Pak'nSave,

or participating Four Square stores.

Purchase Yummy apples, either bags with cut-out labels or individual apples with Yummy stickers. One cut-out label is worth 10 Yummy stickers!

Place the Yummy stickers on sticker collection sheets (available from your classroom teacher) and bring them into school.

Our Yummy stickers will then be converted into a winning share of the \$200,000 sports prize pool from DG Sport.

*Newsflash: There is now an addition to the Yummy family - Hailstone Hero apple bags. A wild spring storm hit the Hawkes Bay, damaging a significant amount of the apple crop with hail. Although these look funny, they still taste yummy. The official cut-out is not on these bags,



but you can collect the round bar-code sticker as 10 points. These are Yummy apples but branded Hailstone Heroes and available in both New World and Pak'nSave.

We have until the end of Term 3, so let's get munching!



Boulcott Broadcasters

WORLD OF WASTE TOUR

In Term 2 some Year 5 and 6 kids went to the World of Waste Tour. It was about 4 hours and 30 minutes of learning about rubbish and recycling. It was run by the Enviro-School team and the Hutt Council.

Firstly, we went to the Silverstream dump. The first thing I saw were seagulls swarming around rubbish and rotting food. After learning about where your rubbish goes we went to the viewing platform where we could see the entire rubbish dump.

Secondly, we went to the Earthlink place also in Silverstream. After we got off the bus we went inside to where all the metal and plastic gets repaired. Then we went to the shop where everything was repaired and got sold and we got a toy. (I called my teddy Grandma Bear).

Next, we went to the Dowse Art Museum. We got to the Dowse and we had lunch. After lunch we went inside to the art room. We had to make something that is special to you (I did a kiwi). Next we hopped onto the bus and went back to school to learn about other waste stuff.

I learned that it's important not to throw away everything and to recycle stuff.

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:

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| Monday, 7 February: | Waitangi Day (Mondayised) |
| Friday, 15 April: | Good Friday |
| Monday, 6 June: | Queen's Birthday |
| Friday, 24 June: | Matariki |
| Monday, 24 October: | Labour Day |
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| Important Dates | | |
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| Date | Event | |
| Wed, 10 Aug | Voting papers sent out for BOT Elections | |
| Mon, 22 Aug | Book Week | |
| Fri, 26 Aug | Book Character Dress Up day | |
| Wed, 31 Aug | Mathswell Competition - Wellington College | |
| Fri, 2 Sept | Onesie Day | |
| Sat, 3 Sept | Tournament of Minds | |
| Tues, 6 Sept | Kids Lit Quiz | |
| Wed, 7 Sept | Voting closes at 4pm for BOT Elections | |
| Tues, 13 Sept | Votes counted from BOT Elections | |
| Wed, 14 Sept | New BOT announced | |
| Fri, 16 Sept | Interzone Swimming (Yr 4-6) | |
| Mon, 19 Sept | BOT Meeting (7pm Staffroom) | |
| Tues, 20 Sept | Futsal Festival - Year 6 | |
| Tues, 27 Sept | HuttFest Performance | |
| Fri, 30 Sept | End of Term 3 | |

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PNP Cycling Club - PNP Mountain Bike Club is holding its Annual Spring Series. We cater to all ages and abilities from Recreational riders through to Elite. This is a series of 5 Cross Country races. There are medals for place getters and the college/schools shield and plenty of spot prizes. With over-all Series Trophies. For more information and to enter go to PNP.ORG.NZ/MTB.

Get Fixed Bicycle Cafe & Workshop - If you are looking for a venue to hire, discounted service and repair rates on bicycle fleets, free workshops on learning bicycle maintenance or require catering for a function, go to <u>www.getfixedbiycles.co.nz</u>, email <u>info@getfixed.co.nz</u> or phone 04 233 0660 for more information.

Biodiversity and Childhood Health Study

Researchers at Massey University are studying how the natural environment affects health in children. The aim of the study is to find out if exposure to greater plant biodiversity may protect against several health conditions including, asthma and allergies.

If your child is 6-11years old, the research team would be grateful if you would consider taking part. For this study we need all children including those who do and those who do not have asthma and allergies.

The study involves completing a questionnaire and your child taking part in a breathing and an allergy test. A smaller number of selected participants will be invited to take part in a second phase of the study, which would involve some further health tests.

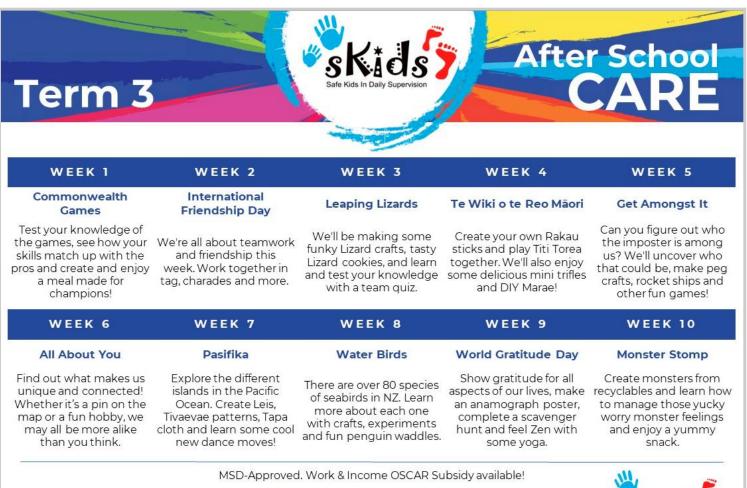


To take part in the research, please contact the study team by text (text YES, your name, and your child's name and school to: 021 819 745), or return the consent forms in the invitation pack, which will be sent to you.

If you, or anyone you know would like any further information about the study please click this <u>link</u>, or contact the research team:

Email:asthma@massey.ac.nzPhone:0508 ASTHMA (278 462)Text (SMS):021 819 745

Term 3 SKids After School Care - go to <u>www.sKids.co.nz/Boulcott</u> to book.



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