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The

# Boulcott Broadcast

Wednesday, 7 September 2022

Kia ora koutou Boulcott Whānau,

Wow! What an action-packed couple of weeks it has been at Boulcott School! We have had a wee taste of Spring but that rain still seems to be sticking around.

There have been big celebrations in the Kahikatea Team over the last couple of days on hearing how well our two Tournament of Minds teams went at Victoria University on Saturday. A huge congratulations to Riley, Bach, Klara, Jasmin, Melody and Addi who WON the Year 5 and 6 Arts Category. This means they have been selected to attend the National Competition at Victoria University on Saturday, 17 September. Great work also to Anna, Kelsey, Wai, Tala, Lucas, Thomas and Ruby who achieved HONOURS in their Year 5 and 6 Literature section. This means they are the reserve team for Wellington if the first placed team chooses not to compete. What outstanding results by both teams - we are incredibly proud of you all! Ka Rawe!

Last week we also had two Year 5 and 6 teams compete in the annual Mathswell Mathematics Competition at Wellington College. There was some stiff competition but both teams participated well, placing 7th and 11th out of MANY other teams.

Last Friday, over 11 students from Years 4 to 6 attended Huia Pool for time trials for selection in the upcoming InterZone Swimming Competition.

Yesterday, many children from Kahikatea were out and about again! Firstly, we had a large group of children competing in the Inter-school Futsal competition at Walter Nash Stadium. We also had a smaller group that travelled into Wellington to compete in the children's Lit Quiz... they also had a bonus of playing in the snow in Karori in between rounds!!

How wonderful it is to see the calendar full once again of events and opportunities like the above for students to take part. It is something we have all missed considerably during Covid restrictions.



Another highlight of last week was our Onesie Day where we raised funds for Wellington Free Ambulance. Tino pai everyone for raising a grand total of \$558-50 . This is a fantastic charity to donate to! To top the day off, our wonderful Whānau Roopu organised a yummy fish and chip lunch for us all. Fish n chips in pyjamas... What a perfect way to end a busy week!

A huge thank you to our wonderful Whānau Roopu and other parent volunteers who made this day so special for our tamariki (and staff). It was a huge logistical operation and all went very smoothly. A special thanks to John and his family at Great Wall Fast Foods on High Street who provided the delicious kai for us on the day!

## **STAFFING UPDATE**

At the beginning of the year you may recall I shared that Jo Lock, our Associate Principal, will be away from school in Term 4 on Teacher Sabbatical. This is a valuable opportunity for Jo to complete some educational study. Her focus area is investigating the benefits of real-time student reporting, so this time will allow her to visit other schools and learn how they utilise different platforms to share student achievement with whānau.

While Jo is away from Boulcott School, Suz Cody will be teaching in Room 16 full time. This works well as Suz is already familiar with Room 16 as she already teaches in this space every Friday.

With my departure at the end of Term 3 and Jo away in Term 4, our Senior Leadership Team will be temporarily re-structured until the Board of Trustees finds a permanent replacement for my Principal role. Below is an outline of the temporary changes, where existing staff will be operating in an 'acting' capacity:

- Jodi Mitchell: Acting Principal
- Melissa Coton: Acting Deputy Principal
- Karen Clements: Acting Associate Principal
- Lucy Bould: Acting Kōwhai Team Leader
- Brigit Scahill: Acting SENCO

It is great to have such a depth of experience and expertise from our staff to delegate additional responsibilities to. It also creates wonderful opportunities for individuals to grow in other areas of leadership.

Finally, it is with great sadness that I announce that Ruth Olds will be leaving Boulcott School at the end of the school year. Ruth has been a valuable member of the Boulcott staff for over 10 years and has had a variety of roles including classroom teaching across Years 3 to 6, release teacher, Punamawa Teacher and most recently our Sports Coordinator. Ruth and her family will be moving to the sunny Wairarapa in 2023, and will all be greatly missed by our Boulcott community!

## **PROPERTY UPDATE**

We have more details about the next stage of work with our weather-tightness project of the hall and main block. As mentioned in the last newsletter, the next stage involves work in and above our administration area, main entrance and foyer. Below are the important details you need to know on accessing the school buildings:

- From this Friday, 9 September there will be no access to the main entrance to the school and hall. The main gate can be used, but to access the school office you need to use the deck access in Kahikatea Area.
- From Monday, 19 September our school office will be temporarily relocated to 'The Cottage' which is the old dental clinic by the pedestrian crossing. If you are visiting the school, it is important you sign in at 'The Cottage' before you enter the other buildings.
- We are also hoping that Room 10 will be able to relocate to their permanent classroom in Room 10 on Monday, 19 September.

- It is also likely we will be able to regain access to the school hall from September 19, which means we can finally host whole school assemblies and SKIDS can return to location for before and after school care.

Like all building projects, there is likely to be changes to the timeline so we will keep you updated over the next couple of weeks so you are aware of what is happening.

## **TERM DATES for 2023**

I can now confirm the term dates for the 2023 school year.

Term 1: Wednesday, 1 February - Thursday, 6 April

Term 2: Monday, 24 April - Friday, 30 June

Term 3: Monday, 17 July - Friday, 22 September

Term 4: Monday, 9 October - Thursday, 14 December

### **Public Holidays:**

Monday, 6 February: Waitangi Day (Mondayised)

Friday, 7 April: Good Friday

Tuesday 25 April: ANZAC Day

Monday, 5 June: Queen's Birthday

Monday, 23 October: Labour Day

Ngā mihi nui  
Stu Devenport  
Principal

## **WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS**

We welcome our new student and his family to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have Billy in Year 0 join us at Boulcott.



### **NEW PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT**

Kia ora koutou

The Board has begun the process of appointing a new Principal for Boulcott School. If you would like to provide feedback that will be collated by the Board and used in creating the criteria for appointment, please email the school office at [info@boulcott.school.nz](mailto:info@boulcott.school.nz) and we will provide you with the link to complete a survey.

This survey needs to be completed by Friday, 16 September.

**BOARD ELECTIONS** - Today is the last day to complete your voting papers and drop them into the voting box in the school office by 4pm when voting closes. If you are posting your voting papers these must be received by Monday, 12 September and be postmarked on or before 7 September. Thank you to everyone who has returned their voting papers and to the 11 candidates who are standing for the Board.

## **HOME AND SCHOOL**

**Pie Fundraiser** - Orders will be available for pick up from the Staffroom on **Thursday, 8 September** between 2:30pm and 4pm.

**Rock' n Bingo** - **Saturday, 24 September** at Boulcott Farm Heritage Golf Club. Tickets \$30. Book the babysitter and brush up on those classic rock songs and join the Home and School for a hilarious night out of bingo. Tables are selling fast so be quick to get your ticket.



## WHĀNAU ROOPU

Ngā mihinui kia koutou

I would like to thank our Boulcott Whānau Community and Great Wall Fast Foods for supporting our fish and chip fundraiser. It was well received and a fond childhood memory of mine while at Petone Central school (along with Mel Gee). We were so busy with all our orders I didn't get a chance to take photos but fortunately Mel sent some through. If anyone else has any photos we would love you to send them through. We couldn't have done it without the continued support of our amazing parents (and ex parent Jen White) Ka mau te wehi!

We will also be advertising our hoodies with a new logo next week so this is exciting. Watch this space!!

We are calculating costs and will update our finances, visions, and goals at our next Whānau Hui, which we are aiming for one evening during Maori Language week - to be confirmed. At our hui we will be talking about the growth of our Roopu and tautoko/support for the upcoming Gala in the New Year, where we want to fundraise with a hangi, hot chips and a table of Maori products and crafts. We welcome your contribution or ideas you have. It will be nice to meet our new whānau and old.

Have an awesome week heading into Kōanga (Spring). Known as 'the digging season', these were the months to dig, prepare the soil and plant crops. Our tūpuna would prepare the whenua during spring and plant kūmara, ready for harvest in the following months.

Heoi anō tāku mō nāianei, Ngā mihi aroha

Pania



## LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 6, online orders only, via LOOP, closes Thursday, 8 September.

## CAR PARKING

Just a reminder that the staff car park isn't to be used to drop off or pick up your child. Please park on the street or arrange to meet your child at the walking pou located on Ariki Street.



## SPORT @ BOULCOTT

**Water polo** - Good luck to the Boulcott Makos who are playing off for 3 & 4 place at Stokes Valley pool today.



## **CHEER Awards - Term 3 Week 4**

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.

	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Student</b>
<b>Room 5</b>	Aaliyah	Thea
<b>Room 6</b>	Kenzie	Yaniv
<b>Room 7</b>	Aroha William	
<b>Room 8</b>	Abe Annabella	
<b>Room 9</b>	Isabella Philip	
<b>Room 10</b>	Evie Bryn	
<b>Room 11</b>	Kaushik Tia	
<b>Room 12</b>	Virika	Juan
<b>Room 13</b>	Avi	Elyse
<b>Room 15</b>	Alphy	Jack O
<b>Room 16</b>	Elizabeth	Ollie
<b>Room 1</b>	Vishaant	Sophie F
<b>Room 2</b>	Aaliya	Declan
<b>Room 3</b>	George B	Riley
<b>Room 4</b>	Boston	Sebastian



## **Boulcott Broadcasters**

### **Onesie Day and a Scoop of Fish and Chip Lunch!**



Last Friday there was an event called Onesie Day. This occasion was to raise money for Wellington Free Ambulance.

Everybody donated a gold coin and lots of people came to school in their onesies, oodies, and plain old pyjamas.

This day was especially exciting for Boulcott School because on the same day we had a fish and chip lunch! There were options to choose from - nuggets, hot dog and chips, fish and chips, or just chips! Everyone enjoyed their scumdilyunpuchus\* lunch no matter what they had.

All thanks to the Whānau Ropu group for organising the Fish and Chip lunch!

\*this word is from the BFG by Roald Dahl - by Alexandra Becker

# The Kids Literacy Quiz

Eight children went to the Kids Literacy Quiz on Tuesday, 6 September, held at Samuel Marsden College, to compete in the heats!

The children who went were: Anna H, George S, Isla E, Kristen W, Jessica T, David V, Stella HM, and Bach T.

The Literacy Quiz was founded by a man named Wayne Mills who wanted to acknowledge and motivate readers, (we are certainly gonna need that in college!).

It was exciting for everyone to go on a trip to Wellington City. Samuel Marsden school has been hosting The Kids Lit Quiz for almost five years now! Thanks guys!

The participants got to the college at about 9:30am, shortly after that something magical came from the sky; no, not the way to solve world hunger in hardcover.

Although that'd be nice, what really came was even cooler! Snow! HAHA! Get it? Snow? Cooler? Everyone got let outside to play with snow for a bit, snowball fights and tiny snowmen! Freezing but fun.

After that we were told to come back inside for the roll to start.

There were ten rounds, with some unusual topics such as: marriage, rabbits and skin! Boulcott School was awesome at it, each team had to choose a theme/genre that they thought they were good at for double points!

It was funny because most teams chose mythology, they must love Percy Jackson! The Very Hungry Caterpillars chose the topic of "Mythology" for double points and The Cannibalistic Peaches chose the topic of "Music" for their double points round.

We were great at the quiz and we enjoyed it greatly!

by Kristen Wong

## 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, 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

Important Dates	
Date	Event
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) at Huia Pool
Mon, 19 Sept	BOT Meeting (7pm Staffroom)
Tues, 27 Sept	HuttFest Performance
Wed, 28 Sept	Subway Lunch through LunchOnline
Fri, 30 Sept	End of Term 3

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Nga Manu Conservation Week** - Join us this weekend 10-11 September to celebrate Conservation Week. Lots of family fun with face painting, sausage sizzle, coffee cart, a pre-loved clothing sale fundraiser and eel feeding at 11am and 2pm. You can also meet our cheeky birds and rare reptiles with ranger talks. For more information go to <https://ngamanu.org.nz>.

**Hutt Repertory Theatre** - Children's production of BadJelly the Witch, 3-8 October at 11am and 2pm. Suitable for ages 3-16. Tickets are \$10 and can be booked by ringing the theatre on 939 7529 or can be purchased from Epuni Pharmacy, 104 Oxford Tce.

**Taita District Cricket Club** - Junior Cricket registration, Saturday 24 September, 10am to 12 noon, Ricoh Sports Centre, Fraser Park. For any enquiries email [taitajuniors@gmail.com](mailto:taitajuniors@gmail.com) or call Dave 021 264 4404.

**Play Girl's Cricket with Hutt District Cricket Club** - Come and join us and have a go, Sunday 25 September from 1-2pm, Grandstand at Hutt Recreation Ground. If your child is already keen to play please register at [www.huttdistrictcc.org.nz](http://www.huttdistrictcc.org.nz) and if you have questions please email [hdccjunior@gmail.com](mailto:hdccjunior@gmail.com).

**Free Tennis Coaching** - Avalon Tennis Club Junior Summer Programme. Coaching on Saturdays from 9-11am, match play is on Thursday from 4-5:30pm. Come to our Love Tennis Day on Sunday, 11 September and sign up for our free coaching sessions on Saturday 17 & 24 September. Refer to the website for subscription fees - <https://clubspark.kiwi/avalontennisclub>.

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**Junior Learn to Sail Course 2022** - Heretaunga Boating Club, 138 The Esplanade, Petone. 11 October, 7-8pm at Huia Pool, 14-15 October, 9am - 3pm, Petone. Coaching - Term 4 2022 and Term 1 2023 coaching is on Saturday mornings 9am - 12 noon at Petone. Suitable for students aged 8 -13 years. Ongoing coaching and optimist sailing dinghies provided as part of the course costs. For course details go to [www.sailhbc.org.nz](http://www.sailhbc.org.nz) or contact [instruction@sailhbc.org.nz](mailto:instruction@sailhbc.org.nz). Places limited so register early.

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VALID FROM 16/09/2022 TO 02/10/2022.



**Wellington Music Academy** - One on one music lessons. Your child can learn how to play the piano at this school. The lessons are run during school hours and all ages are welcome!

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### ***SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES***

**Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures** - Spring School Holidays at Dyer Street School Hall, 3 - 14 October, from 7am to 6pm daily. Daily fees of \$81.04 per session and weekly \$324.16. MSD approved & WINZ subsidies are available. Contact 0800 PRIDE 4 U or register online [www.pridelands.co.nz](http://www.pridelands.co.nz) or visit their Facebook page [www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare](http://www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare).

**Oscar House Holiday Programme** - Programme plans, information and enrolments now available. For more information go to:

<http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-junior/> School Years 0 – 2

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