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Boulcott Broadcast



Wednesday, 22 February 2023

Kia ora koutou, Guten tag, Bula, Nǐ hǎo, Mingalaba, Namaste, Greetings, Sàwàtdee, Hallo, As-salām 'alaykum, Min-ga-la-ba, nín hǎo, Néih hóu, Konnichiwa, Chôm rab suôr, Tālofa, Hola!, Kumusta, Vaṇakkam, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana!

I am really excited about our school's **Twilight Gala** this Friday. Only 2 sleeps to go! Our Home and School committee have been working super hard behind the scenes in preparation for our biggest fundraising event of the year. I am looking forward to meeting many more of you on Friday afternoon/evening.

Paid Union Meeting

A reminder to you all about the teachers' upcoming paid union meeting. This is happening on **Monday, 27 February** and we ask for your support where possible, by picking up your children from school at **1pm**. The school will be open and children will be supervised for those families for whom early pick up is difficult. If you haven't yet filled in the google form letting us know if you are able to pick up your child/ren from school at 1pm please do so now by clicking on [this link](#). Ngā mihi.

House Captain Elections

Also happening this Friday, are the annual House Captain elections. Two Year 6 students are chosen from each House to lead their House throughout the year. We wish all the best to those students who have bravely put their hands up to be considered for leadership positions. They will present their speeches to their specific Houses. This will be followed by a vote from both teachers and students in each House. Good luck everyone! Kia kaha!

Around the Classes

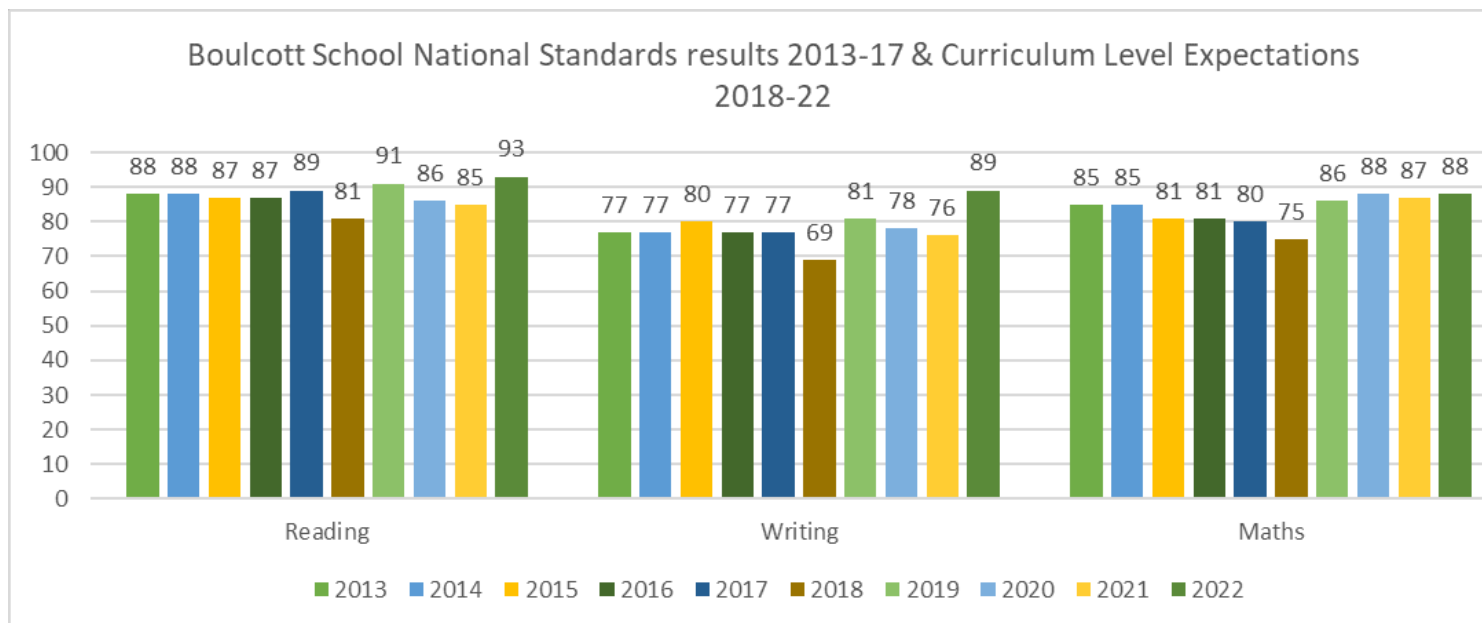
Room 5 has been working on their class treaty. It is an agreement that they have all made about how they treat each other and the way they behave. Ka rawe ruma rima!

Nishant, a Year 6 student has created this beautiful spiral design which graphically displays his name. Well done Nishant.



Student Achievement

In preparation for this week's Board meeting I have had a close study of the students' 2022 Achievement data. I am really impressed with how Boulcott School children have achieved academically over the last 12 months, despite COVID disruptions having hung over us all.



In this graph you can see that our achievement levels are at 93% in Reading. This means that across the school 93% of our current learners are currently achieving 'at' or 'above' expected curriculum levels. In writing that level is at 89% and in Mathematics 88%. A few years ago the government set a target for all schools to reach 85% of students achieving at or above curriculum levels - so as you can see, Boulcott learners are already exceeding that target. It is pleasing to see Boulcott School students are continuing to achieve well over time and benefit from programmes that offer extra support for our priority learners. This year we will continue to monitor our students' progress and as a staff we will continue to reflect on our practice and grow our teaching capabilities and knowledge, so that our tamariki continue to flourish.

Teacher Only Day

In this spirit, we have a Teacher Only Day planned for the **first day of Term 2 - Monday, 24 April**. The following day is ANZAC day - a public holiday. I thought by letting you know now it would make arrangements for child care a little easier and that some of you may be able to make plans to have an extra long weekend away. The Teacher Only day will provide our staff with dedicated time to understand, prepare for, and engage with changes across The NZC refresh, the redesign of *Te Marautanga o Aotearoa (The NZ curriculum)*. This professional development day is mandatory for all New Zealand schools and the dates were identified on the advice of the Education sector advisory group.

Have a wonderful Wednesday.

Ngā mihi nui

Rachael and the Team at Boulcott

KĪWAHA O TE WIKI



CHEER Awards:

Term 1, Week 3 2023

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.

- Room 1: Harlan, Lily K
- Room 2: Avninder, Indie
- Room 3: Rhys, Harry
- Room 4: Nathaniel, Abigail
- Room 5: Riyah, Luxton
- Room 6: Araminta, Noah
- Room 7: Octavia, Aroha
- Room 8: Theo, Emily
- Room 11: Cherry, Gomat
- Room 12: Mia, Maddie I
- Room 13: Julian, Matine
- Room 14: Brooklyn, Josiah
- Room 15: Avya, Arthur
- Room 16: Quin, Philip

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 1- Jacob, Eva-Marie, Esther, Arabella

BOARD NEWS

Hi everyone, just a quick message from us to say welcome back to 2023. We hope you all had a bit of a break over the holidays and managed to catch up with friends and family (and all of those jobs you put off until the holidays!). It's great to see the children connecting back with their friends and getting settled into school life for 2023.

As a Board we would like to say a big welcome to our new Principal, Rachael Sole. We are thrilled to have you here with us at Boulcott School and hope you're settling in nicely. We had our first meeting for the year on Monday with our next one scheduled

for Monday, 20 March at 7pm in the staffroom. As always, these meetings are open for anyone in the community to attend and encourage you to come along.

See you all at the Gala this Friday!!! Don't forget your mystery jars!!!! 😊



SPORT @ BOULCOTT

Athletics: In December 2022, 8 students from Boulcott School competed at the Regional Athletics Competition which was held in Masterton. This competition included students from Kapiti, Porirua, Wellington, Lower and Upper Hutt as well as Masterton. There were some incredible results from our tamariki that competed. Congratulations to the students that competed.

Well done to (these were their Year groups in 2022):

Girls Year 6 800m Run

11th Anna

Girls Year 4 60m Dash

2nd Elyse

8th Emily

Girls Year 4 100m Dash

1st Elyse Tye

6th Emily

Girls Year 4 4x100m Relay

Boulcott (representing Lower Hutt zone) came 2nd

Emily, Elyse, Kailani, Hazel, Crystal

Girls Year 5 Quoits

19th Ilex

Girls Year 4 High Jump

2nd Emily

Girls Year 4 Long Jump

2nd Elyse

5th Emily

Boys Year 6 Quoits

4th Declan

Good luck to all our netball and touch teams who start their games this week.

AED DONATION

An AED (automated external defibrillator) has recently been donated to Boulcott School. We would like to thank the charities “Embracing Hearts” and “The Pelorus Trust” for fully funding the cost of the AED (\$3214.25) and the lock box (\$1058).

We would also like to say a massive thank you to Wellington Free Ambulance for supplying the AED, installing it and providing ongoing maintenance for the device.

The AED is located at the front of the school by the CHEER values pencils.

It is in a 24/7 alarmed lock box that is accessible to the entire community in the event of an emergency.

ROAD SAFETY AND PARKING

Our new road patrollers are doing a wonderful job each morning and afternoon making sure our students get across the road safely. If you are walking your child into or out of school please use the crossing to set a good example for our students.

Also, a reminder for parents not to park in the school grounds as this is for staff only or double park on Boulcott School when collecting your children from school. We have our walking pou on Ariki Street, which is a good meeting point for children after school.



HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Our Twilight Gala is only 2 days away on Friday, 24 February from 4pm-8pm. A separate newsletter is being sent out today with important information regarding the day. Please take the time to read the important information and at the end of the newsletter you can also see what fun, food and entertainment will be on offer.

TERM DATES for 2023

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

Term 2: Wednesday 26, April - Friday, 30 June (Teacher Only Day - Monday, 24 April)

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

Important Dates	
Date	Event
Thurs, 23 Feb	Kahikatea swimming finishes
Friday, 24 Feb	Twilight Gala 4-8pm
Mon, 27 Feb	Paid union meeting for teachers at 1pm
Tues, 28 Feb	Kōwhai swimming starts
Friday, 3 March	Assembly 9:15am in the hall
Monday, 6 March	Kahikatea Syndicate at Kaitoke camp, Kōwhai swimming continues
Wed, 8 March	Kahikatea Syndicate returns from Kaitoke camp
Friday, 17 March	Assembly 9:15am in the hall
Friday, 31 March	Assembly 9:15am in the hall, Kahikatea swimming sports at Stokes Valley pool
Thursday, 6 April	Last day of Term 1, school finishes at 3pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

French Lessons - Would your child like to learn a new language? Fun French for kids at Boulcott School, Thursdays 3:15pm.

- Experience French learning the fun way! Children speak French from the first lesson
- Ages 5 to 10
- Lots of interactive activities, role play, crafts, active games and music
- Includes care from 3pm
- Free trial lesson. After that \$14.50 per 45 minute lesson, plus cost of workbook and music to support learning
- To register your interest please contact Stefi on stefi@lcfclubs.co.nz or 021 178 2099
- visit the website www.lcfclubs.co.nz

Goodtime Music Academy - Goodtime Music Academy wants to say a big welcome back to all of the whanau at Boulcott School. GTMA is now taking enrolments for 2023 in-school music lessons now. If you want your child to be a part of these award winning music lessons, and want to be a part of their new curriculum and performing opportunities, then in-school lessons may be the solution for you. Learn in a group setting, and choose between Drums, Guitar, Keyboard, Ukulele. Or try their 'Intro to Music' course. Please visit www.goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz/learn-at-school to enrol and enquire. You can also call them on 04 568 2237. Spaces are limited so get in quick!

Job Vacancy - PADA is a small NGO charity located in Johnsonville. We provide education and training for healthcare providers supporting parents experiencing anxiety or depression due to pregnancy, childbirth, and early parenting. Our current Fundraiser has taken on the role of General Manager which is why now this position has become vacant. Please click on the link for more information <https://pada.nz/turanga-watea-vacancies/>.

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