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The

Boulcott Broadcast

Wednesday, 22 March 2023

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We have once again had a great couple of weeks at school. Last Friday, 17 March was St Patrick's Day and the Kerry School of Irish Dancing came and visited our kura and performed for us. Our tamariki thoroughly enjoyed this celebration of Irish culture, and it was wonderful to see past, present and future students involved in the performance! Cordelia returned to take part, Arabella, who had just started school, shone on the stage along with Zaiden's sister, Zara, who will be joining us next year when she turns five! It was a fabulous way to celebrate St Patrick's Day!

Thank you for all your support of our teachers strike on Thursday, Teachers and Principals stood together to call on the Government to do better.

Sophie Kaye and Gaylene Nankivell took part earlier in March in a Dragon Boating competition. Sophie paddled for Red Cross and Gaylene paddled for CanThrive, one of the two dragon boats for breast cancer survivors. Money was raised for their charities and great fun, camaraderie, and competition was had by everyone who participated. Well done ladies, we are proud of you both.

Last week saw me experience my first Boulcott School Fish and Chips with the Principal lunch. Yummy! Well done to our lucky CHEER students whose names got pulled out of a hat.

Ngā mihi nui
Rachael and the Boulcott Team



Movin'March – Week 4!

What wonderful walkers and wheelers we have at Boulcott School! Even on these colder mornings you've been moving your bodies and staying healthy, ka pai tamariki ma!



Māhe Manawa Ora Movin'March

1-31 March 2023 | movinmarch.com



We're loving all the stamping of passports! Remember, if you walk or wheel we'll tick off your trip at the gate and all entries are sent to GWRC (Greater Wellington Regional Council) at the end of March (remember you only need at least one trip recorded on your "passport" to enter). All passports in the [WOW Passport Challenge](#) go in the draw to win one of 12 x \$400 [MYRIDE](#) vouchers. We have spot prizes to give away too!



Funky Feet Friday is this week on **Friday, 24 March!** We will have a parade during Friday's morning assembly showing off our wacky shoes. Remember it doesn't need to cost a lot, DIY is awesome!

Our school **Wheels Day** is coming up quickly too. Bring your scooter, bike, roller skates, skate boards etc... and be ready to join your syndicate for some wheely good fun! - Don't forget your helmet!

Harakeke - **Tuesday, 28 March**

Kōwhai - **Wednesday, 29 March**

Kahikatea - **Thursday, 30 March**

Thanks for supporting us with this Greater Wellington Regional Council initiative!



Whānau Photo Competition

Post a pic and comment of your journey under our weekly theme on Facebook, or post and tag us (@movinmarch) on Instagram or Facebook and be in to WIN 1 of 5 x adult or child [Micro Scooters](#) (excludes posting "Stories") We're also giving away 10 Family Passes to [Staglands Wildlife Reserve](#) or [Zealandia](#). Check our Movin'March [Facebook](#) to see what whānau said about last week's theme and look for Week 2's theme to be posted on Sunday. More details on Movin'March [Facebook](#) - winners announced by 12 April.

BOARD NEWS

The Board would like to thank and acknowledge the extremely hard work and dedication from our Gala Committee and other volunteers that went into the very successful School Gala. It was an amazing evening with such a great turn

out and the team should be extremely proud of the amount raised for the school.

Boulcott School is very lucky to have such a passionate group in our Home and School Committee, who work so hard all year round and have such a positive impact on our school. Thank you team! Our next Board meeting is at 7pm on Monday, 15 May 2023 in the staffroom. As always everyone is welcomed to come along. We would love to see you there. That's it from us for Term 1. We all hope you have a lovely Easter and enjoy the school holidays.



SPORT @ BOULCOTT

This week is the last week of Touch Rugby and I want to wish all Touch players the best of luck in their final game. Show those CHEER values and have fun!

The Waterpolo dates for Year 5/6 have been updated and will now take place over 10 weeks for all of Term 3. Waterpolo will still be played on a Wednesday afternoon at Stokes Valley Pool. I will send out information towards the end of Term 2.

Dana Skinner
Sports Coordinator

Congratulations to Emily, Elyse and Cooper who competed at the Wellington Athletic Champs over the weekend. Emily won a medal in every event and achieved a PB in every race. In the grade 9 girls she placed:

- 1st 200m
- 2nd 100m, 60m, shot put and discus
- 3rd in long jump

Emily was a team member in the mixed medley relay grade 11 that placed first and got a Wellington Champ record.

Emily and Elyse placed first in the 4 x 100m relay and Elyse placed first in the long jump. Cooper came 3rd in the 200m final for grade 7 boys.

Well done and a wonderful effort achieving these results.

A big thank you to Sport, Education, Community & Cultural Foundation for the generous donation of 30 hockey sticks, 30 hockey balls and a two wheeled bag for our students to enjoy. These hockey sets have generously been made available through the support of a grant from Air Rescue and Community Services.



SPECIAL VISITOR

One of our Boulcott School students, Arjun, was part of a group welcoming the honorable Prime Minister, Chris Hipkins, yesterday at Taita Hindu temple when he visited. Well done Arjun.



CAMP KAITOKE 2023

On Monday, 6 March, the Kahikatea Syndicate hopped on the bus to Camp Kaitoke in Upper Hutt. We had an action packed 3 days and 2 nights!

The children challenged themselves by having opportunities to do activities such as; outdoor cooking, kayaking, flying fox, shelter building, rock climbing and archery. We were so proud of the way the Kahikatea kids used the strategies we learnt about before camp to help them make decisions and overcome challenges. Tino mahi tamariki - he mīharo!

In the evenings, the children also had the choice of doing a night line (we're sure you could hear the screaming from Lower Hutt!) and roasting marshmallows (while singing hilarious songs) around a campfire.

The Kahikatea kids were resilient, brave and had so much fun (which you can see from some of the photos included here).

This could not have been possible without the organisational skill of our Kahikatea Team Leader Melissa Coton, and the teachers (Luke, Molly and Corrina). We were so lucky to have such amazing parent helpers who jumped in and supported both the teachers and children at the drop of a hat!

The kids built great relationships with their instructors, who were so skilled. The adults could hear the laughter and chanting of the children all around the camp, whenever the kids were with their instructors.

We all had the best time creating memories that will last a lifetime!

HERE ARE SOME CAMP STORIES FROM OUR STUDENTS:



"I had my harness on. I was ready and I was sweating a bit. It was my turn. Jacob was hooking me up then he said "When I get to one, hold your legs together and you fly down.

3.2.1".....Whooooooooosh. Don't hit trees was going through my mind and I hit so many trees and one hit me in the face. You would think it would hurt but it didn't because it was such a small branch. I was at the bottom. They hooked

me off and I ran up the mountain to give them the trolley".

By Jahdyn

"I was almost there, six more steps to go. The rocks were weirdly shaped, making it difficult. I was so nervous. I could feel myself losing grip. The next thing I knew I was hanging in the air. I thought everybody was going to laugh at me. I didn't fall all the way down. I just hung there. Natalie yelled "Keep going Ethan, you can do this". I kept climbing. Shaking and shivering and then.... I got to the top!"

By Ethan



"I moved my foot to the next green rock. My body extended. I started to feel like there was a car starting up in my stomach. All I could see was the beige wall with blue, green and red rocks really close up. I was telling myself not to look down. Guess what? I did! When I wanted to come down they said "You got this!" "Go to the top you're so close". I looked up and I was so close! I lifted up my foot. My body extended again! I made it!"

By Molly

We will bring you more stories in our next newsletter.

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 - Johith, Ivy

EMERGENCY PACKS

Thank you to those families who have returned their child/ren's emergency food packs. In order to be prepared for an emergency, we would like every child to bring an ice-cream container (2 litre as shown in the picture for easy stacking), packed with food items i.e. spaghetti/baked beans, small tin of fruit, muesli bars, barley sugars etc. Please avoid items containing nuts due to allergies. We would appreciate it if you could return your containers to the school by **Friday, 30 March**. Please ensure the containers have your child's name, room and House colour clearly labelled. If you have any spare ice cream containers at home these can be dropped to the office.



LIBRARY - Scholastic Book Club - Issue 2, online orders only, due by Thursday, 23 March via the LOOP online ordering system.

CLOTHING FOR THE MEDICAL ROOM

We need pants/leggings and shorts in all sizes for our medical room to use as spare clothing. If you are having a clean out during the school holidays and have pants and shorts you know longer need please drop them into the office. Thanks!

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
Fri, 24 March	Movin March Footwear Parade, Assembly 9:15am in the hall
Tues, 28 March	Harakeke Wheels Day
Wed, 29 March	Kōwhai Wheels Day
Thurs, 30 March	Kahikatea Wheels Day
Friday, 31 March	Kahikatea swimming sports at Stokes Valley pool 10am - 1pm.
Thursday, 6 April	Last day of Term 1, school finishes at 3pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Junior Ruby Petone - Registrations for the 2023 season are now open. For all new players pre register online at petonerugby.com. For more about season dates and registration visit our Petone Junior Rugby Facebook page.

Wonderplay - Places are available in these award-winning drama classes for Term two. Wonderplay uses imaginative play to educate young people through drama. Focuses include camaraderie, interdependence, communication and leadership, and having an awesome time. Classes Mondays for 4-13 year olds; 3.30pm (New Wonders: intro to drama), 4.15pm (Star Players); and incredible teen training company, Wellington Young Actors for 12-18yr olds (5.15-6.15pm). First class free to try. Register today www.wonderplay.co.nz, www.wellingtonyoungactors.com.

Dwights Canvas Dressmart Tawa - Good quality waterproof jackets for \$35. Ideal for winter.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

VolleyBall Camps - April 11-14, 9am to 3pm at St Oran's College Gym for Years 5-13. All experience and skill levels are welcome. Sign up on our Facebook page @NZFIREVOLLEYBALL or email NZfirestaff@gmail.com. Dates vary by age.

OSCAR House Holiday Programme - Monday 10/04/23 is Easter Monday. OSCAR House is open 11- 21/04/23. Programme plans, information & enrolments are now available for our quality school holiday programmes.

<http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-junior/> School Years 0 – 2
<http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-middle/> School Years 3 – 8

We are an MSD OSCAR approved programme & OSCAR subsidies are available. Our premises are adjacent to Eastern Hutt School. We welcome new whanau and we'd love to have you join us!

Kids Domain - Our school holiday programme bookings for April will be open shortly and we have some amazing activities for the children. Locations at Lower Hutt and Stokes Valley. Early Bird deal - save up to \$6 per day off your fees. Work & Income subsidies available. For more information email: kidsdomain@slingshot.co.nz, website: www.kidsdomain.biz for Facebook: kidsdomain.

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