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# Boulcott Broadcast

Wednesday, 6 September 2023



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Welcome to Spring!! It has been amazing to see the beautiful Kōwhai tree at the front of the school blooming and alive with the most tuneful tui. I have been told that there are several more Kōwhai trees down Boulcott St that will also begin to come into leaf and provide perches for our local tui - how wonderful!

Tongan Language Week 2023 - Sunday, 3 - Saturday 9 September.

The theme for Uike Lea Faka-Tonga 2023 is 'E tu'uloa 'a e Lea faka-Tongá 'o ka lea'aki 'i 'api, siasí (lotú), mo e nofo-'a-kāingá, which means the Tongan Language will be sustainable if used at home, church and in the wider community.



This week at school is the final push towards being ready for our production next week. I hope you have all ordered your tickets. I have been told that we are playing sold out shows!!



Last week you were emailed a survey relating to our 'Relationships and Sexuality Education' curriculum (which is part of the PE and Health curriculum). At least once every two years Boards of Trustees are required to consult with the parent community about the school's Health and Physical Education programmes. The purpose of this consultation is to provide an outline of the programmes that we are delivering, details of how we are delivering Health Education, and to consult with members of the school community regarding the way in which the school implements

health education and meets the needs of our students. If you have not yet filled in this survey and would like to share your thoughts with us please do so using [this link](#). The closing date for responses is **Friday, 8 September**.

Once we have this feedback, we will look at what changes may need to be made. Early next term, in Weeks 1 or 2, teachers will be sharing with you the plan for the Health programme for the following weeks. If you do not want your child/ren to attend one or more of the sessions, you have the right to request that they not be part of that specific lesson and we can make alternative arrangements for your child during this

time. Please put any requests to this effect in writing to me: [principal@boulcott.school.nz](mailto:principal@boulcott.school.nz) stating which lesson(s) it is you wish your child not to attend and we will ensure your request is actioned.

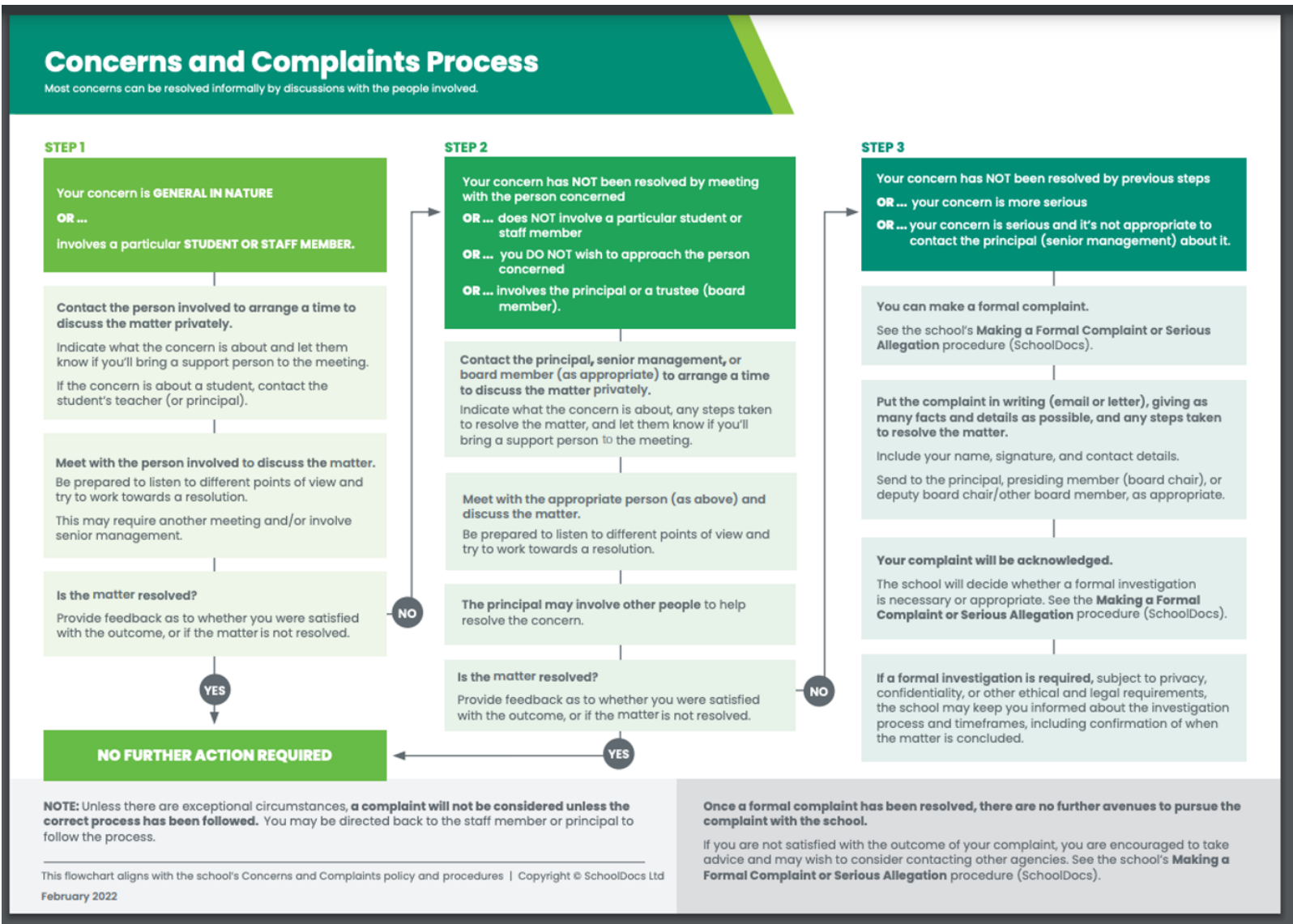
It was wonderful to be able to watch our two Year 5/6 netball teams battle it out on the courts at school on Monday afternoon. You all played so well. The photo on the front page was taken at their prize giving on Monday evening. On Thursday last week our two Year 3 & 4 basketball teams played each other. The competition was tough which saw the ball go up and down a lot. The final score was 6-6. We are hoping it will be an all Boulcott final next week.

I am looking forward to seeing and chatting with many of you at school next week (Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th September) as you arrive for 'Boulcott FM', our 2023 school production. In the meantime, have a lovely week and look and listen out for the tui in our Kōwhai trees.

Mā te wā  
Rachael and the Boulcott team

### PARENT COMPLAINT PROCESS

Should you be unhappy about something that is happening at school and wish to make a complaint please follow the process as outlined below.



## **COHORT ENTRY**

Following an overwhelmingly positive survey, the Board of Trustees has agreed to implement a cohort entry at Boulcott School beginning in 2024.

Children in Aotearoa have usually started school on or just after their fifth birthday, but these days not every school does this. Since 2018, schools have had the option of Cohort Entry, where small groups of children start school together, at specific times during the year. Cohort Entry reduces the days children can start school to eight times a year, twice per term.

## **WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS**

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

## **BOULCOTT FM - THE PRODUCTION 2023 (13 & 14 SEPTEMBER)**

The google form for ticket sales has now closed and we are currently reconciling our ticket sales. You will receive an invoice for your tickets, via email this week, and this needs to be paid by Monday, 11 September when tickets will be issued.

**STILL NEEDED** - old CD's and DVD's for decorating our stage. Please drop them to the office. Thank you.



# **Boulcott Broadcasters**

## **HUTTFEST**

In Week 10 last term Kahikatea students had an amazing performance at HuttFest! HuttFest is a show where schools perform cultural dances and songs. Boulcott Performed six different Te reo Māori songs.

We first prepared by getting dressed, girls getting their hair plaited and moko. Big thanks to Whaia Pania for all the help with moko and costumes! After getting dressed one of the buses came but the other one was late, so half of Boulcott was late.

When we were all there we waited on the bleachers for HuttFest to take us into the line of performers. We waited until Boulcott was up. Hearts racing, people sweating... we were up next. When the person hosting HuttFest called us up we walked on... people cheered in the crowd. It went silent, then we started singing. Smiles across the stage. The performance flew by and then we were finished. After we finished we took off our costumes and put them away and our parents came and picked us up.

Here are some thoughts from performers:

Georgia: I had a good time. My favourite Song was Poi (Rona).

Tomas: Huttfest was fun and amazing that almost all Boulcott performed in front of 600 people!

Hana: Good. Very exciting and a bit nerve racking.

Tala: It hurt my mouth because I was smiling so much.

Jasmin: It was really fun!

***By Indie***

# Te Papa Trip!

Te Papa is a great place to learn about our history and Boulcott School decided to go there for a school trip. The authors of this article (Jasmin and Melody) joined Kōwhai on their trip to this fascinating museum. We had a great time and heard some really interesting facts about our history.

The first thing we did was go up the stairs to find their museum teacher, Rox. She told us a story about Kupe and the octopus. Rox also taught us about the Polynesian Triangle which includes Aotearoa, Rapa Nui (Easter Island) and Hawai'i. And taught us about navigating, back in the day they had no compasses so they read the stars. Some stars can help you to tell you if it was north, east, south, or west. Waves are another way to navigate. You have to be a proper expert to read the waves though. ANOTHER way is that when clouds slow down it normally means an island is nearby. The clouds go really fast when they're above sea but slower if above land! That was a very cool fact!

We learnt about different types of wakas like the waka taua, with a face on the front of the waka to represent Tūmatauenga, the god of war. These wakas are bright red and designed for carrying weapons to fight.

Now it was time for us to explore! We all went down the steps and arrived at the Te Taiao Nature exhibit on Level 2. That was where the exploring began! We looked in these houses called pā which the Māori people used to store precious items and/or food.

Sad fact, 350,000 blue whales this last century have died because of hunters to get food and that was very sad for the whales. We unfortunately found that out when we were exploring the Te Taiao Nature section on Level 2. We also got to experience the earthquake house. It was scary with all the shaking!

***By Jasmin and Melody***



## **TECH TALK**

Kia ora,

As both a teacher and a mum of a 10-year-old son, I know it can be a bit mind-boggling with all the information that is available about technology and how it's used.

Every second week, I'll be posting useful tips and tricks to support you and your whanau with using Technology in our newsletter- let's call it "Tech talk...".

Netsafe is New Zealand's independent, non-profit online safety organisation. They provide online safety support, expertise and education to people in New Zealand. They have recently hosted a webinar that covers some really important points regarding the use and safety of the tech our tamariki are using. The webinar, which was delivered to the National Council of Home Educators NZ in July 2023 covers the following topics:

04:25 Understand some of our children's activities online  
14:50 Learning about our children's activities online  
18:45 Exploring technologies  
22:45 Agreeing and setting expectations  
28:43 Teaching online safety essentials  
33:14 Modelling online safety  
37:10 Making a safety plan  
42:23 How Netsafe can support

Here is the link for the webinar: <https://youtu.be/LQ7o3lybCMY>

Ngā mihi

Corrina Rayson - ICT coordinator



## **SPORT @ BOULCOTT**

As we approach the end of yet another term we ticked off another Inter Zone Event - Swimming. On Friday, 1 September 11 Boulcott students from Year 4-6 competed at Huia Pool in a variety of events from 25m Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke to 50m Freestyle and even some relays. All the races were timed finals, meaning the tamariki had to swim their fastest in each race and the times and results will be sent out at the end of this week. I want to congratulate the students for giving it their all, but most importantly being great team mates, cheering their fellow competitors and being extremely patient throughout the long day. I want to thank the parents that helped transport and support the students at the pool.

I want to wish all the Basketball and Water Polo players all the best for their last games over the next two weeks and congratulations to all Year 5-6 Netball players on another successful netball season.

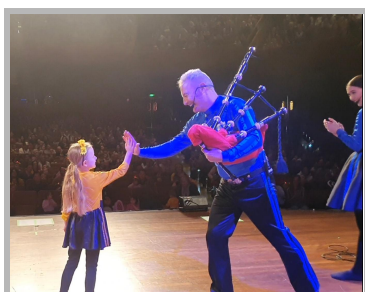
Next term we see the commencement of another term of Touch Rugby and Netball for Years 1-4, keeping the teams (mainly) the same as they were for Term 1. Team information and game times will be sent out to you in the first weeks of Term 4.

### **STUDENT AND PAST STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

“Break a leg “ Mackenzie and Millie!

These sisters have not only been getting ready for Boulcott FM, they ( and a number of past Boulcott students!) have also been working hard preparing for their upcoming show “ Aladdin Jnr”. This fabulous show will be playing at the Little Theatre and is perfect for families with a running time of 1:5 hrs including an interval. You can see Mackenzie and Millie on stage on Sunday, 17 September at 2pm, Friday 22 at 6:30pm and Saturday 23 6:30pm . Tickets can be purchased at.

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/9502>



Annabella from Room 11 had the thrill of performing a highland fling on stage with the Wiggles at their recent concert. It was such an exciting time to

showcase highland dancing and fabulous bagpipe music in front of a packed out MFC.

Skylah is one of 4 sisters to have attended Boulcott School. She has always loved ballet and appeared in many Boulcott's Got Talent shows, or DanceSplash performances. Skylah was also the recipient of the Year 6 Boulcott Performing Arts trophy in 2018. Earlier this year, at only 15 yrs old, Skylah auditioned and was very excited and honoured to be accepted into the European School of Ballet in Amsterdam (ESB). She is travelling to the Netherlands this week to begin full-time ballet training with ESB where she will continue her studies to become a professional dancer.



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photos take place in the first week of Term 4, Monday, 9 October with Sue Allman. A google form will be sent home later this week for you to complete if you would like to order a class and/or individual photo. The closing date for orders is **1pm Friday, 22 September**. Any orders received after this date will incur an additional \$10 charge.

## ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

If you have a child starting at Boulcott School in 2024 you can go onto our website [www.boulcott.school.nz](http://www.boulcott.school.nz) and complete an enrolment form. This can be found by clicking on the 'Information Tab' and going to 'enrolling at Boulcott School'. You will find our enrolment form, administration form and a ballot form if you live out of our school zone. Our ballot for out of zone students takes place on **Friday, 20 October**, applications close on **Monday, 16 October**, for students starting in Term 1 & 2 of 2024.

## YUMMY STICKERS



It's time to collect Yummy stickers! Shop at your local New World, Pak'n Save, 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'n Saves. We have until the end of Term 3, so let's get munching!



## TERM DATES for 2023

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

Term 2: Monday, 24 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 (**Teacher Only Day - Friday, 17 November**)

## Public Holidays:

Monday, 6 February: Waitangi Day (Mondayised)

Friday, 7 April: Good Friday

Tuesday 25 April: ANZAC Day

Monday, 5 June: King's Birthday

Friday, 14 July: Matariki

Monday, 23 October: Labour Day

## TERM DATES for 2024

I can now confirm the term dates for the 2024 school year. Teacher Only days for 2024 are yet to be confirmed.

Term 1: Thursday, 1 February - Friday, 12 April

Term 2: Monday, 29 April - Friday, 5 July

Term 3: Monday, 22 July - Friday, 27 September

Term 4: Monday, 14 October - Tuesday, 17 December

### Public Holidays:

Tuesday, 6 February: Waitangi Day

Friday, 29 March: Good Friday

Monday, 1 April: Easter Monday

Tuesday, 2 April: Easter Tuesday

Thursday, 25 April: ANZAC Day (falls within the school holidays)

Monday, 3 June: King's Birthday

Friday, 28 June: Matariki

Monday, 28 October: Labour Day

Important Dates	
Date	Event
Mon, 4 Sept	Harakeke Swimming (Mon-Thurs)
Mon, 11 Sept	Production Week, Māori Language Week
Wed, 13 Sept	Production - Matinee and Evening Performance
Thurs, 14 Sept	Production - Evening Performance
Mon, 18 Sept	Chinese Language Week
Wed, 20 Sept	Assembly 2:20pm in the hall
Friday, 22 Sept	Last Day of Term 3 (3pm)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Spotlight Performing Arts** - Dance, Drama and Singing for students aged 4-18 yrs old. Book your child's two week trial for next term now at [www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz](http://www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz).

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## Holiday Programmes

**Capital Basketball Kiwi Hoops Camp** - Three basketball camps are being held at Walter Nash Stadium for all keen basketballers. For more information check out

<https://www.capitalbasketball.org/kiwi-hoops-sign-up> or visit their instagram @capitalbasketball”.

**Learning Connexion’s Holiday Programme** - 25 - 29 September & 2 -6 October at their Taita Campus. \$65 per day from 9am to 3pm. To find out more about our holiday programme visit our website:

<https://www.tlc.ac.nz/study-with-us/kids-art-holiday-classes/school-holiday-programme/>

Bookings can be made directly through EnrolMy:

[Enrolmy | The Learning Connexion - Booking Calendar for Spring School Holiday Programme - Term 3, 2023](#)

**Oscar House Holiday Programme** - Monday, 25 September to Friday, 6 October. Programme plans, information and and enrolment are now available.

<http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-junior/>

School Years 0-2

<http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-middle/>

School Year 3-8

**Kids Domain Holiday Programme** - September/October bookings now open. For more information go to <https://www.kidsdomain.co.nz> or email [kidsdomain@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:kidsdomain@slingshot.co.nz)

SEPTEMBER OCTOBER 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ACTIVITY SCHEDULE				
<p><b>MON 25 SEPT</b></p> <p>MINUTE TO WIN IT</p> 	<p><b>TUES 26 SEPT</b></p> <p>HUIA POOLS \$10 Trip Day</p>  <p>Please bring togs &amp; towels</p>	<p><b>WED 27 SEPT</b></p> <p>LIME SWIRL FUDGE MAKING</p> 	<p><b>THUR 28 SEPT</b></p> <p>LASERFORCE 2½ hours of laserforce &amp; arcade machines plus dress up competition \$10 Trip Day *** If your child wants to play the win prizes ticket machines they are welcome to bring money to play these</p>  <p>Dress up as a Book Character</p>	<p><b>FRI 29 SEPT</b></p> <p>PLAYDOH MAKING</p>  <p>LUNCH PRE-ORDER</p>
<p><b>MON 2 OCT</b></p> <p>HALLOWEEN PUPPETS</p>  <p>LUNCH PRE-ORDER</p>	<p><b>TUES 3 OCT</b></p> <p>AWESOME BOUNCE \$10 Trip Day</p>  <p>SOCKS MUST BE WORN</p>	<p><b>WED 4 OCT</b></p> <p>HALLOWEEN CHOCOLATE MAKING</p> 	<p><b>THUR 5 OCT</b></p> <p>HALLOWEEN MASK MAKING</p>  <p>LUNCH PRE-ORDER</p>	<p><b>FRI 6 OCT</b></p> <p>MOVIES Ruby Gillman, Teenage Kraken \$10 Trip Day</p>  <p>You are welcome to bring food &amp; drink – NO POPCORN</p>
<p>Prize Games DVD's</p>	<p>Competitions Lego</p>	<p>Art</p>	<p>Playstations Sports Board games</p>	<p>Computer Suite Skateboards</p>
<p>OTHER ACTIVITIES</p>				



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