### **Boulcott School**



## Newsletter - Term 3 Week 1



# Principal's Message

Principal — July 17th, 2025

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### Kia ora e te wh**ā**nau

I hope you all had a great two week break from school, and got to spend some time together having fun as a family. I headed up to Auckland in the first week to visit my parents in their rest home. Then the second week I had some lovely sleep ins and lazy days as well as preparing for the term ahead.

Term 3 is shaping up to be an exciting one, with many great things happening!

We are especially delighted to welcome back **Jenny Fraser** and **Kathryn Farmer**, both of whom will be moving from part-time roles in Terms 1 and 2 to full-time teaching positions. For the

first seven weeks of this term, Jenny will be teaching in Room 1, covering for our intrepid traveller, Molly. Kathryn, meanwhile, will be working full-time until the end of the year in our New Entrant space, collaborating with Karen Clements.

We feel incredibly fortunate to have such high-quality teachers available to enrich our students' learning experiences.

This is a timely reminder to book your upcoming **Student Learning Conversations** (parent/student/teacher interviews) for **next Tuesday, 22 July, and Thursday, 24 July**. These 10-minute interviews are a fantastic opportunity to connect with your child's teacher and gain valuable insights into their progress and learning journey.

To make an appointment, please visit <u>www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</u> and enter the code <u>nvjgh</u>.

During these interview afternoons, we invite you to join us in the staffroom for complimentary coffee and tea. This will be a great chance to connect with representatives from our Senior Leadership Team (myself, Jodi Mitchell, and Jo Lock). We'll be available to answer any questions you may have about our school and the upcoming Board elections. We can also provide more information about the role of the Board, should you be interested in putting yourself forward to serve our school community.

Furthermore, as we begin to build our school's new Strategic Plan for 2026 - 2028, we would love you to share your thoughts with us. This plan will guide every aspect of your child's learning journey and the direction of Boulcott School for years to come. We are committed to creating a vibrant and inclusive learning environment that truly reflects our community. By sharing your hopes, dreams, and priorities, you help us create a plan that genuinely reflects the aspirations of all our whānau and empowers every tamariki to thrive. This is your opportunity to help shape the future of Boulcott School, for your child and for generations to come. Please feel free to join us either before or after your child's interview for a short chat.

Get ready for an exciting **Book Week** in Week 4 of this term, culminating in a fantastic **Book** Character Parade on Friday, 8th August!

Our annual celebration of reading will feature a host of engaging activities throughout the week, all designed to encourage the lifelong skill of reading. We're also thrilled to announce that the **Scholastic Book Fair** will be coming to Boulcott, offering families a wonderful opportunity to purchase new books for their children.

More specific information about all the Book Week events will be shared with you shortly. Watch this space!

We know how busy life can get, and we truly appreciate your efforts in getting your children to school each day. Last term, we noticed a growing trend of students arriving late to school, and also a number being picked up after the 3:00pm bell. For those arriving late, this will have been flagged on your child's mid-year report. We understand that unforeseen circumstances can arise, but we do need to gently remind everyone about the importance of punctuality. Our teachers often have meetings, professional development, or other commitments immediately after school, and are unfortunately unable to supervise children beyond 3:00pm. If you know you are running late for pick-up, please do call the office to let us know. This helps us ensure your child's safety and peace of mind. If late pick-ups become a regular occurrence, with your child consistently being collected after 3:15pm, we would kindly ask that you enrol them in SKids, our fantastic after-school care providers, who operate daily from our school hall. This ensures your child is safely supervised and engaged. Many thanks for your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a smooth and safe environment for all our tamariki and staff.

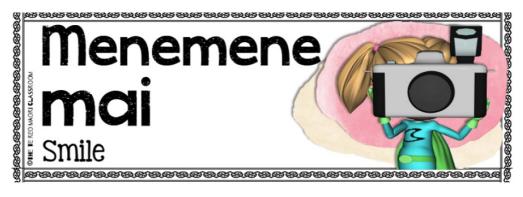


## Kiwaha o te Wiki 2025

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Term 3 Week 1 & 2

This week's phrase is:



Wiki tuarua - Week 2





# Welcome to our New Students

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Term 3 Week 1

We welcome the following students and their families to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have you join us at Boulcott.

Room 9 - Jasper, Kiana, Lillian and Kasey



## PB4L

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Positive Behaviour 4 Learning - Week 1 & 2

### Week 1 & 2 - Restorative Conversations

Having a Restorative Conversation to help solve a problem is an important skill for us all to learn.

### We will be learning:

- How to develop consistent ways to prevent and respond to behaviours
- That the words and tone we use when we try to resolve a problem matters
- To build strong, positive relationships based on trust
- To keep the small stuff small
- To use a problem solving approach to repairing relationships when harm is done
- To ask: What happened, who has been affected and how, what needs to be done to put things right?





# Cheer Cup Awards Boulcott School — July 17th, 2025

### Term 2 2025

Congratulations to the following students who have been our CHEER Cup Award recipients at our final assembly in Term 2.

Cups are presented to 4 students from each of our Syndicates who best embody our school vision: Stand tall, Fly high, Together - Kia tū kaha, kia maia, kia rere ki te ao and showing our CHEER values.

Harakeke: Ellie, Gabriel, Corbin, Paora Kōwhai: Max D, Anya B, Bianca, Arie

Kahikatea: Mackenzie, Malakai, Maddie, Alice





## **Board News**

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#### **Board Elections:**

**Boulcott School** 

School Board Elections

Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of 5 parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at **noon** on **Wednesday**, **6 August 2025**. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday, 10 September 2025.

Tania Blucher

**Returning Officer** 

Please join us for a complimentary tea or coffee after your student interviews on Tuesday, 22 July and Thursday, 24 July, where you can chat and ask questions with our Senior Leadership team about our Board Elections and becoming a board member.

Our next Board meeting is on Monday, 4 August at 6pm in the staffroom. You are most welcome to join us at this meeting to see how our meetings are run and what is involved with being on a school board. Alternatively, reach out to our Board with any questions by emailing <a href="mailto:bot@boulcott.school.nz">bot@boulcott.school.nz</a> or grab an information brochure from the office.



# Congratulations! Boulcott School — July 17th, 2025

### **Huge Congratulations to Annabella!**

A massive congratulations to Annabella, who achieved an incredible feat over the school holidays! She danced her way to victory, winning the New Zealand Championship Highland Dancing title for Under 10s against 46 other talented dancers from across the country.

What a busy, yet hugely successful, holiday period for Annabella - well done on your outstanding achievement, and we hope you enjoyed your brief downtime too!





# **Sports News**

Margaret Presland — July 17th, 2025

#### Term 3

### **Traditional Maori Games**

Over the next 4 weeks, we are lucky enough to have Jason from Kokiri Marae coming in to teach our Year 3 & 4 and Year 5 & 6 classes some Traditional Māori Games. Classes will participate in 2 sessions over the next 4 weeks of Term 3. Look out for a write up from the students in the coming weeks.

### **Sports Term 3**

Good luck to all our teams that are participating in sports throughout this term, including

- 6 basketball teams at Walter Nash
- 1 water polo team
- 2 badminton teams
- 2 netball teams that are continuing their competition.

A big thank you to the parent volunteers who have stepped up to either coach or manage these teams. Your support is greatly appreciated and allows us to offer these sports to our students.



# **Home and School Committee**

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### Pizza Friday

#### Pizza Fridays

This is the final week to put in your orders for Pizza Friday, which starts on Friday, 25 July. Please click on the link below if you still need to order.

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#### Disco

The School Disco will be held on Friday, 1 August at Knox Church, 574 High Street, Lower Hutt.

Please click on the link below for more information and to complete the google form to purchase tickets.

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Please complete the form by 3pm Friday, 25 July, as no late responses will be accepted.

#### Calendar Art

An order form was sent home with your child this week for the beautiful products you can order - calendar (\$16), cards (\$16), diary (\$17), mouse mat (\$17) or sketch book (\$17). One form needs to be completed for each child, and forms need to be returned by **Friday**, **25 July**.

Please follow payment instructions on the form and make payment to the **Home and School Account (12-3478-0056621-00).** Please note this is not the school's main account. (Reference: Art, Code: Last name, Payee: Room number)

#### Gala

We will be having a school Gala early in 2026. While we are still working out the plans, we would appreciate it if you could save any good-quality used children's clothing and toys to donate to our clothes and toy stalls. Once we have sorted out the storage of donations, we will run some donation times later in the year.

We'll also collect empty jars and excess fruit to make into chutney and preserves.

Any questions or thoughts, email <a href="mailto:gala@boulcott.school.nz">gala@boulcott.school.nz</a>



# Launchpad

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Launchpad Champions (formerly Bible in Schools) meet in Room 15 on Friday mornings 8am-8:30am.

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We'd love to have you join us!!



Launchpad is a fun 30-minute lesson that presents tamariki with positive values and aims to grow their sense of mana, self-worth and character through games, stories, drama, workbooks and crafts.

This <u>link</u> gives more information about the programme.

If your child would like to opt-in to this programme please

go to this <u>link</u> to enable your tamariki to be added.

You can also check out <u>Launchpad Plus</u>, an online link to short 5 minute videos touching on a range of positive values including respect, kindness and honesty.

Penny and Mrs Cody



# **Events and Important Dates**

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### Coming up!

### Term 3

**Tues, 22 July -** Student Learning Conversations, Home and School Committee meeting in the staffroom 7pm

Wed, 23 July - Assembly 2:10pm - Room 6 hosting

Thurs, 24 July - Student Learning Conversations

Thurs, 31 July - Kowhai Syndicate Zoo trip

Fri, 1 August - School disco - Knox Church Hall

Mon, 4 August - Board Meeting - 6pm in the staffroom

- Book Fair week

#### Wed, 6 August

- 12pm, nominations for Board of Trustees close

Assembly 2:10pm - Room 13 hosting.

Friday 8 August - Book Character Dress up day

Mon, 18 August - Cohort 6 starts

Wed, 20 August - Assembly 2:10pm Room 8 hosting

Thurs, 21 August - Room 4, World of Waste Tour

Thurs, 28 August - Room 2, World of Waste Tour

Mon, 1 September - Board Meeting - 6pm in the staffroom

Wed, 3 September - Assembly 2:10pm - Room 1 hosting

• Rooms 3 & 4 trip to the Marine Centre

Thurs, 4 September - Room 1, World of Waste Tour

Fri, 5 September - Teacher Only Day - school closed

Wed, 10 September - Rooms 1 & 2, trip to the Marine Centre

Thurs, 11 September - Room 3, World of Waste Tour

Tues, 16 September - Girl's Futsal Tournament at Walter Nash

Wed, 17 September - Assembly 2:10pm

Student Leaders hosting

Thurs, 18 September - 'Jump' Off skipping event

Fri, 19 September - Last day of Term 3, school finishes at 3pm



# **Lost Property - Final chance!**

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#### Last chance to check!

Our lost property is being cleaned out and will be packed away by 9am Friday, 18 July and any unnamed remaining items will be donated to charity. Please come into the hall to view.

Please remember to label your child's clothing for school. The lost property area is in the corridor outside the Hall and Room 7 during term time, please check regularly if there is anything belonging to your child. Named clothing will be returned.

Thank you for your support.



# School Calendar 2025/2026 Dates

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Term Dates and Public Holidays

### Term Dates 2025

Term 1: Monday, 3 February - Friday, 11 April

Term 2: Monday, 28 April - Friday, 27 June

Term 3: Monday, 14 July - Friday, 19 September

Term 4: Monday, 6 October - Tuesday, 16 December

#### **Teacher Only Day:**

• Friday, 5 September - School Closed

### Public Holidays 2025:

• Monday, 27 October: Labour Day - School Closed

### Term Dates - 2026

Term 1: Monday, 2 February - Thursday, 2 April

Term 2: Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July

Term 3: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term 4: Monday 12 October - Tuesday 15 December



# **Yummy Stickers**

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Thank you for collecting Yummy stickers!!

### YUMMY Fruit Stickers

You can start collecting yummy stickers at anytime! Please keep collecting if you can, place the Yummy stickers on sticker collection sheets (available from your classroom teacher) and bring them into school.

Get your friends, family, neighbours collecting the Yummy Fruit Stickers to help out Boulcott School. 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 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.

Sticker collection sheets - you can print them from the Yummy Fruit website: <a href="https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/">https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/</a>

So let's get munching!



# sKids Before and After School Care

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Term 3 at sKids

Term Three sKids

Our programmes are packed with exciting activities to keep your child engaged, active, and entertained all term long!

Here's a sneak peek at some of the fantastic things happening this term:

Amazon Antics – Explore the rainforest and play fun games that explore the Amazon environment.

Space Week – Get ready for an out-of-this-world adventure! Learn about planets, astronauts and space missions through fun games, crafts and activities!

Daffodil Day – Explore with us the significance of Daffodil Day through engaging activities including crafts, puzzles, poetry, and baking!

Safety Week – Teaching kids essential life skills through fun, hands on activities, from first aid to basic fire safety and emergency responses.

Engineers Workshop: 4 Weeks of STEM Fun!

Get ready to design, build, and create! Over 4 exciting weeks, kids can dive into the world of engineering and STEM, testing their skills with hands-on challenges that spark curiosity and creativity.

Here's what's coming up:

Week 3 - Build It (Wed, 30 July)

Put your building skills to the test and create awesome structures from scratch!

Week 4 - Marine Engineering (Wed, 6 August)

Design and experiment with boats, bridges, and underwater inventions — can your creation stay afloat?

Week 5 - Flying High (Wed, 13 August)

Explore the science of flight with paper planes, rockets, and other flying wonders!

Week 6 - Tinker Lab (Wed, 20 August)

Get creative and experiment with all kinds of materials to invent something truly unique.

Join us for one or all of these sessions , it's the perfect chance to tinker, learn, and have a blast with engineering!





# Community Notices Boulcott School — July 16th, 2025







### Visit our Website <a href="https://thegreatkiwicircus.co.nz/shows/">https://thegreatkiwicircus.co.nz/shows/</a>

Wednesday, 10 September 2025 - 6.00pm Lower Hutt Little Theatre, 2 Queens Drive, Lower Hutt

Thursday, 11 September 2025 - 6.00pm Wellington Soundings Theatre, 55 Cable Street, Te Aro, Wellington





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