



Boulcott School

Newsletter - Term 4 Week 5



Principal's Message

Boulcott School — November 5th, 2025

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

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We have had a busy last two weeks with lots of exciting things happening across the school for our tamariki. Yesterday our latest fish 'n chip draw winners enjoyed a yummy lunch out in the sun. Our Harakeke students have been busy training for their athletics events which will be held tomorrow (Friday, 7 November) and 50 of our Kahikatea students visited Dyer St school last week to participate in a sport exchange.

On Tuesday we had 45 students represent Boulcott School at Central Zone Athletics at the Hutt Recreation Ground. Our team did us proud, showing the CHEER values and supporting their team mates. We had some outstanding results and will be sending 34 students to the InterZone competition next week.

Our Principal, Rachael Sole is away from school this week as sadly her mother passed away in Auckland over the weekend. Our thoughts are with her and her family at this time. Rachael is planning to be back at school next week.

Kōwhai Football Training

Our Year 3 and 4 students and their teachers have been part of a trial programme with Jenna Reddy from Capital Football for the first part of the term. They have thrived having a series of lessons from an expert and we have seen some incredible skill development, especially from students who have not played football before. We are excited about this programme being rolled out school-wide in 2026.



Rooms 9 and 10's Assembly

Last week our youngest students hosted our school assembly. They took on all the duties of hosting with confidence and pride, such as remembering their lines, speaking into the microphone, leading a song and performing an item about being a 'bucket filler'. We are so proud of you Room 9 and 10 and can't wait to see you grow and learn during your years at Boulcott School. Thanks to Karen Clements and Kathryn Farmer for all your work getting the children ready for this special event.



Staffing for 2026

We are now in a position to be able to share our teaching team with you for 2026. There are several teachers who will be teaching in different areas of the school.

School Leadership Team:

Principal: Rachael Sole

Deputy Principals: Jo Lock and Jodi Mitchell

Team Leaders: Karen Henry, Jo Lock and Melissa Coton

SENCO: Jodi Mitchell

Learning Support Teacher: Lisa Hassell

Harakeke Team:

Year 1: Jane Anstiss, Kathryn Farmer, Tania Tyrer, Ros van Rij

Year 1 and 2: Karen Henry

Year 2: Naisha Lal, Brigit Scahill

Kōwhai Team:

Year 3 and 4: Emma Colling, Calvin Deng, Erin Inglis, Molly Weaver

Kahikatea Team:

Year 4 and 5: Jenn Burridge

Year 5 and 6: Melissa Coton, Corrina Rayson, Claire Williams, Katie Roberts

Release Teachers: Suz Cody, Jenny Fraser, Margaret Presland

A Farewell

Ms Gaylene Nankivell will be retiring at the end of the year. Gaylene joined us 11 and half years ago, teaching Year 5 and 6 in Room 4. She has taught in both our Kahikatea and Kōwhai Teams as well as led Enviro-School and Inquiry learning and was the mastermind behind our famous walking pou on Ariki Street. We wish Gaylene well and know she will be looking forward to having lots of time to spend with her grandson and taking on the world again in dragon boating.

Thank you as always, for your ongoing support.

Warm regards

Ngā mihi nui

Jo (Deputy Principal) and the team at Boulcott



Welcome to our New Students

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

Room 8: Josephine

Room 4: Paul



Kīwaha o te Wiki 2025

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Term 4 Week 5 & 6

This week's phrase is:

Wiki tuarima - Week 5



Wiki tuaono - Week 6





Cheer Awards - Term 4 Week 5

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Congratulations!!

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: Brock, Malakai

Room 2: Malin, Hunter

Room 3: Ronan, Hannah

Room 4: Darcy, Yaniv

Room 5: James, Harper

Room 6: Maggie, Arlo

Room 7: Sagal, Thinush

Room 8: Jocelyn, Freya

Room 9: Lucy, Kal-El

Room 10: Spencer, Dayla

Room 11: Nora, Lorenzo, Ariki

Room 12: Berekah, Shanaea

Room 13: Millie, Theo

Room 14: Nabeel, Luxton

Room 15: Julia, Lucia

Room 16: Ryan, David



Events and Important Dates

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Coming up!

Term 4:

Fri, 7 November - Harakeke Athletics 9am

Mon, 10 November - Cohort 8 starts

Tues, 11 November - InterZone Athletics, Hutt Rec

Wed, 12 November - School Assembly 2:10pm, Room 2 hosting

Fri, 14 November - Harakeke Zoo trip

Thurs, 20 November - Bee Healthy van onsite

Wed, 26 November - School Assembly 2:10pm, Room 7 hosting

Tues, 2 December - Christmas cushion concert (please note change of date)

Sat, 6 December - Whānau Rōpū Pool Party at Naenae Pool

Tues, 9 December - Year 6 Garden Party (please note change of date)

Wed, 10 December - School Avalon Park trip

Mon, 15 December - Reports go home

Tues, 16 December - Last day of Term 4 (School finishes at 1pm)



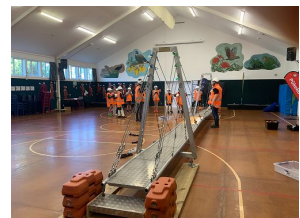
Bridges To Schools STEMM Opportunity

Melissa Coton — November 5th, 2025

On Friday, 24 October, Bridges to Schools came to Boulcott School in the hall. Bridges to Schools is where kids build a bridge with professionals who build bridges. They were Jimmy and Pete. A group of Kahikatea kids got chosen to learn about bridge building. Bridges to Schools helped us to construct a real bridge, then we put the wires up to hold the platforms up, so they would stay up. Then we started to put platforms that wouldn't fall down and we put the bolts in to make them stay together. Pete went on the bridge first because he said he was the heaviest, after he went on the bridge and confirmed that the bridge was built safely, we all walked over it after him. They asked us what we want to be when we grow up. Bridges to schools is an engineering challenge. It was really cool.

By Malin, Brock and Leven

Gallery





Sports News

Margaret Presland — November 6th, 2025

Zone Athletics 2025

What a fantastic day it was at our Zone Athletics on Tuesday, 4 November. The weather was on our side and all of our 45 students gave it their all - running, jumping and throwing with great enthusiasm and skill. It was wonderful to see the strong sportsmanship throughout the day as our students encouraged each other and other students from the different schools.

A huge thank you to the parent helpers who came and supported the team throughout the day. Your time, encouragement and support was invaluable and we really appreciate you giving up your time to support us. Thank you also to the parents who came down and cheered the students on. It is always fantastic to see familiar faces on the sideline supporting us. THANK YOU.

Congratulations to all the students for their effort, energy, and skills shown on the day. A special congratulations to those students who have made their way through to the InterZone Athletics on Tuesday, 11 November. Information will be sent out shortly.





Interzone Athletics

Congratulations to the students who performed well at the Zone athletics are and now moving forward to the InterZone Athletics. These will take place on Tuesday, 11 November (ppt) Thursday 13 November. Information will be emailed out to families.

We will be requiring a number of parent helpers to help with transport and help throughout the day. Please indicate if you are able to help on the google form as soon as possible.

Dyer Street Sports Exchange

On Friday, 31 October 44 students went to Dyer Street School for a Sports Exchange. We had

- a football team
- a touch team
- a netball team
- a basketball team
- a chess team

WOW, what an outstanding day it was. We were welcomed with a pōwhiri and then our students had a chance to play in their playgrounds at morning tea, before the games begun. Each sport played for about 30mins each and there was some great competition, outstanding sportsmanship shown and some amazing team work throughout each sport.

We ended the day with some MVP certificates being handed out for each sport and a sausage sizzle and a iceblock before walking back to school.

Thank you to Anand Ranchod and the staff at Dyer Street School for a wonderful experience for our Tamariki and we look forward to doing it again next year.

Thank you also to our wonderful parent helpers who came with us on the trip. We really appreciated your time and support throughout the day.



Dyer Street Sports Exchange 2025

Touch Term 4

Our first games start this week on Thursday at Fraser Park. Remember the draw will be emailed out each week and you can also find this on our school website and Total Touch website. We look forward to 6 amazing weeks of touch.

Netball Year 1 - 4

Congratulations to our Year 1 - 4 netball teams who kicked off their season on Saturday at Taita Courts. We hope you enjoy your season and a special thank you to the coaches and managers who are supporting your team each week.

Weetbix Tryathlon

On Sunday, 15 March 2026 the Weetbix Tryathlon will be held at Kilbirnie Park in Wellington.

This is open to 6 - 15 years with several different entry options:

- Individuals 7 - 15 years
- Splash and Dash - 6 years
(Swim and run only)
- Junior Team - 7 - 9 years
- Senior Team 10 - 15 Years

For more information: <https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/wellington/>

Boulcott School has created a school group for this event. You need to register and pay for your child to enter this event, you can have the option to have your Tryathlon pack sent to school. You must be registered at least 4 weeks before this event to ensure this arrives at school. To register under Boulcott School you can click on the link below

<https://raceroster.com/events/2026/109744/wellington-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon/register?team=865851>



Measles Outbreak in NZ

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Measles cases in Aotearoa

As you may be aware there have been recent measles cases in areas of the North Island. Cases were active in the community while infectious and there is a risk of measles circulating more widely in Aotearoa.

- Measles is very contagious and can make people of any age very sick.
- Watch for measles symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes and a blotchy rash.

[Measles: Locations of interest in Aotearoa New Zealand – Health New Zealand](#)

- If anyone in your whānau has measles symptoms keep them home and contact a doctor or Healthline urgently on 0800 611 116.
- Vaccination is the best protection from measles. Check all whānau are immunised.

[Measles immunity – Health New Zealand](#)

[Measles, mumps and rubella \(MMR\) vaccine – Health New Zealand](#)

- Anyone closely exposed to measles who has not received two MMR vaccinations cannot attend their school/kura for at least eight days.



Room 11 writing

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This week, we've been having fun learning about different kinds of poems! We've tried writing acrostic poems, and starting colour poems. We've been exploring how words can paint pictures and how poems can make us feel, think, and smile.

Brave tamariki

Original thinkers

Uniquely different

Learning together

CHEER is cool

Organised and calm

Teachers are awesome

Trying our best always!



School Term Calendar Dates - 2025/2026

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Term Dates and Public Holidays

Term Dates 2025

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

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 - Friday, 11 December



Launchpad

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

Throughout the month of November, Launchpad is collecting new toys to help make Christmas that extra little bit special for others.

We'd love your help!



Here are some of the items on their wishlists:

LEGO, barbie & accessories, memory/card games, soft toys, transformers, a robot, minecraft, dinosaurs, squishy toys, Sponge Bob, Spiderman, a scooter, drawing/colouring supplies, RC car, soccer ball, Sonic plushy, new hat, new bag, Lilo & Stitch, arts & crafts, fidget toys, dolls, sticker roll books, a bouncy ball!

Launchpad is an opt-in, 30-minute lesson that presents tamariki with positive values and aims to grow their sense of mana, self-worth and character. Stories from the Bible, NZ history and international role models are presented, and the values from these stories emphasised, to help students take these values into their lives. It's lots of fun and

we'd love to have you join us!

This [link](#) gives more information about the programme.

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

go to this [link](#) to enable your tamariki to be added.

You can also check out [Launchpad Plus](#), an online link to short 5 minute videos touching on a range of positive values including respect,

kindness and honesty.

Penny and Mrs Cody



Gala 2026

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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:
<https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/>

So let's get munching!



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