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Newsletter No. 12 – Wednesday, 30 August 2017

Greetings Parents and Caregivers,

On Friday we farewell Ms Andrea Rodley. She will be missed by all students, colleagues and our Boulcott community. We acknowledge the contributions she has made here at Boulcott and we wish her all the very best as she takes up her new role at the Education Review Office. We warmly welcome Mrs Ruth Olds who will be taking over teaching responsibilities in Room 3 for the remainder of the school year.

We continue to welcome new students and their families to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have you join us at Boulcott:

Year 1: Oliver Bristow

Year 3: Akshaya Kiran



Our school grounds are open and accessible to all outside of school hours. We ask that everyone treats all school property and areas with respect. If you see members of the public behaving in an inappropriate manner, please contact our local police.

If your child/ren has/have to cross roads on their way to/from school please go over safe crossing techniques from the NZ Transport Agency, as it takes time for a vehicle to stop:

- 1) Stop one step back from the kerb.
- 2) Look and listen for traffic coming from all directions.
- 3) If there is traffic coming, wait until it has passed and then look and listen for traffic again.
- 4) If there is no traffic coming, walk quickly straight across the road.
- 5) While crossing, look and listen for traffic, wherever it may come from.

We are nearly at the end of Winter! We encourage students to have a change of clothes in their bags as the wet and muddy field and paths have put our supply of clothes in the medical room under pressure! We have also had a lot of colds, flu and other illnesses across the school. Please ensure your child/ren is/are returning to school when no longer contagious to others, and fully recovered to participate in their learning.

Please see the note below reminding you to check that all contact information held at school is up-to-date and accurate.

Thank you for your continued support.

Emergency Contact Information

It is VERY important that we have up-to-date contact information for your child/ren. If any of your personal contact information has changed, please let our school office know at your earliest convenience. Also, if people noted as your emergency contacts have moved house, changed workplace or phone numbers, these details are also extremely important to keep updated.

Introduction from our new Boulcott Principal

Kia ora tatou,

I am incredibly excited to be joining the Boulcott team as Principal next term. I am currently Principal of South Makirikiri School, a small rural school of 150 students on the outskirts of Marton in the Rangitikei. Before this, I had 8 years at Muritai School in Eastborne as Associate Principal where I taught a variety of levels from Year 5 to 8.

I have a real passion for learning, in particular providing creative and engaging learning programmes for all students. I have curriculum strengths in Literacy, Numeracy and utilising ICT to enhance the learning. As a leader, my focus is on creating a collaborative environment for both students and teachers to share expertise, risk take and celebrate success together.

My wife, 3 daughters and myself have thoroughly enjoyed our 'rural experience' and are all looking forward to returning to Wellington to settle.

I know Boulcott School is held in high regard in the wider Hutt Valley community so feel privileged to be leading a team into the future. I look forward to meeting you all next term.

Nga mihi nui,

Stu Devenport

Boulcott Book Week and Character Parade

Boulcott School's Book Week has started! During this week a 'Book Bug' is visiting classrooms and teachers are participating in a reading rotation where different classrooms will be read to by someone other than their classroom teacher. Our school Librarian, Tania Blucher has supported our student librarians to create a literary quiz and has organised visiting authors. Mona Williams visited the Year 5-6 team on Monday and Juliette MacIver will meet with our Junior and Middle teams on Thursday.



We will finish with a **character parade on Friday, 1 September at 9:40am**. We encourage everyone to come dressed up as their favourite book character on Friday when we will meet in our school hall to celebrate the week and share our costumes.

"The More that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Dr Seuss



'I liked how Mona put a lot of effort into her storytelling, like facial expressions.' Isla, Rm 4.

'Mona was a great storyteller. I loved how she got the kids involved in the storytelling.' Thadius, Rm4.

'I loved how when she was telling the stories I got a really clear picture in my mind and could see exactly what was happening in the story.' Emery, R4.

Miniball Tournament

Boulcott School entered a Year 3-4 and a Year 5-6 team to compete at an Interschool Miniball Competition, held at Walter Nash on Thursday, 24 August. The teams played phenomenally well and both placed 2nd in their age groups. The teams will now compete at the Inter-zone competition on Tuesday, 12 September. Well done to both teams!



FREE Dental Checks!

Students at our school are due for their *free* annual dental check-ups. The Dental van will be on the school site in the first week of next term. Once seen your child will be given a letter that may include details of another appointment. Please contact us to change this appointment if required. Please search your child's school bag!

To book or reschedule your appointment, or update your contact details, please call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583).

We look forward to seeing you soon!
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Recognition Awards (CHEER)

Congratulations to recipients of our school-wide 'CHEER' awards from our last school 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.

Congratulations to Junior Syndicate: Nate Whalen, Jayden Schulz, Hollie Hebden, Aaliya Dayal, Henry Chardet, Shubham Alve, Lily Mould, Emmy McIntosh, Lucy Wrigley.

Congratulations to Middle Syndicate: Mailee McKinley, Akshaya Kiran, Bishr Asfari, Kelly Thompson, Tyler McFarlane, Rosy Khual Sim, Kelsey Payne, Noah White, May Siitia, Oska Va'a, Allie Siitia, Alex Moreira.

Congratulations to Senior Syndicate: Lynmari Lazenby, Brooklyn Blakeborough, Samuel Moreira, Maz Bennett, Iosefo Leo, Liam Young, Rishma Sherifdeen, Kelly Ward.

Congratulations to Bishr, Rosy, Brooklyn and Kelly, whose names were drawn out to have fish and chips with the Principal this Friday, 1 September.

Thank you!



Thank you for supporting last week's 'Bake Sale', successfully organised by Rooms 3 and 4. A portion of the funds raised will be donated to KidsCan, an organisation that supports disadvantaged Kiwi kids. The other portion of the funds raised will go towards reducing the cost of the 2019 Year 5-6 Boulcott camp.

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Sickness

Gastroenteritis reminder from Regional Public Health: *There is a need for children and staff who are sick with diarrhoea and vomiting to **stay at home until 48 hours after the diarrhoea or vomiting has stopped**; and to encourage good hand washing and drying.*

More information on what to do to stop the spread of viral illnesses is available on rph.org.nz.

Greenies News

"Keep Calm and Stay Green"

Our whole school participated in a rubbish audit recently and we compared our results to our first audit. Greenies have visited every classroom to share and celebrate our results:

- ▶ In 2014 our first rubbish audit showed that we brought over 131,000 pieces of rubbish to school in a year.
- ▶ In 2015 we did another rubbish audit where we found that we brought 102,400 pieces of rubbish a year. That was 22% better than the year before.
- ▶ This year in 2017, we started our third rubbish audit and we found that by the end of the year will have brought 70,360 pieces of rubbish.
- ▶ This is another decrease of 31%, or, a whopping 46% less than when we first started out in 2014, that's nearly half from 2014.

We're encouraging you NOT to bring rubbish to school because we are a Silver Enviroschool.

Please bring a NOOD food lunch box to Boulcott everyday. That means: no gladwrap and no plastic packaging. Please use reuseable containers.

Skylah from Room 3 and Gabby from Room 4

Library

Scholastic Book Club – Issue 6 due back at school by Thursday, 7 September. Payable by cash or cheque only. Please make cheques payable to 'Scholastic NZ'. All visa payments now need to be done through the LOOP online system.

Home and School - Disco

Everyone is looking forward to our School Disco, **Friday, 8 September** in the Boulcott School hall from 6pm-9pm - always an AWESOME night! Tickets are \$5, which gets you in the door, a drink and a snack. Also glowing items for sale. We are very sorry, but due to safety issues with the number of people in the school hall, pre-schoolers are unable to attend this year.

Our disco night runs as follows:

Junior (Years 1-3) Disco 6pm -7pm.

Senior (Years 4-6) Disco 7:30pm - 9pm.



Tickets are collected at the door and the child receives a stamp on their hand. All students will need to be collected by an adult from the main Hall door.

If you would like to help out with hall set up, selling items or serving the food and drink to the children please email: homeschool@boulcott.school.nz.

School Photos

School photos will take place during the last week of Term 3. Information and order envelopes will be sent home later in the term.

Spare Clothing

We need spare clothing for the medical room in larger boys sizes. If you have any boys pants or tops that you know longer require we would love them for the medical room. Please drop any clothing to the office, thanks.

Hutt Intermediate

Hutt Intermediate enrolments close this week, Friday, 1 September. It is IMPERATIVE that those who are out of zone, even if they have a current or past sibling, get their enrolment forms with a copy of their birth certificate/passport and proof of their residential address to Hutt Intermediate, 7 Kauri Street, Lower Hutt, by 3pm Friday.

Dates

Term 3: Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September (10 weeks)

Term 4: Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December (9 weeks)

2018: Wednesday 31 January – Friday 14 December

Coming Events

Week of 28 Aug:	Boulcott Book Week
Fri 1 Sept:	Hutt Intermediate enrolments close
Thurs 7 Sept:	Scholastic orders close
Fri 8 Sept:	ArtSplash ticket orders close
Fri 8 Sept (pp Fri 15 Sept):	Boulcott Jump Rope Event 9am
Fri 8 Sept:	School Assembly 2:10pm
Fri 8 Sept:	Home & School Disco
Tues 12 Sept:	Inter-zone Miniball Competition
Mon 18 Sept:	BOT meeting 7pm staffroom
Tues 19 Sept:	Central Zone Hockey
Weds 20 Sept:	ArtSplash
Thurs 21 Sept:	DanceSplash
Sat 23 Sept:	Boulcott School hall being used as a General Election polling station
Week of 25 Sept:	School photos
Fri 29 Sept:	School Assembly 2:10pm, and Term 3 ends at 3pm
Mon 16 Oct:	Term 4 begins

Kind regards,

Veronica Sawers
Acting Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Orans Year 13 Young Enterprise Group – Are you looking for a fun, family, friendly book about pets? Well, we've got you covered with our new book 'Looking After Your Pets with Ollie and Friends.' We are a Year 13 Young Enterprise Team from St Oran's College who wanted to create a children's book that focused on our passion for pets. Our book is set in a kiwi friendly home and follows the story of Ollie the dog who is trying to help kids of Aotearoa learn how to look after their finned, pawed and whiskered friends. We want you to experience the love and passion we have put into the book for you and your family. Our aim is to educate young kiwi kids to learn how to safely look after their pets at home. Our product is \$15 each and 10% from each book sold will go to the Wellington SPCA. If you are interested in purchasing our product please contact us at readlearnandrescue@gmail.com or just txt 021 152 4455 to preorder now. Thanks from Brooke, Jess, Holly and Sherling.

Lower Hutt Tennis Club – Open day, Saturday, 23 September, 1pm – 3pm, 67A Totara Crescent, Lower Hutt. Andrew Chuah, tennis coach will be available to discuss coaching, training and equipment. Everyone welcome. Boys interclub trials will take place on Saturday, 23 September from 1pm to 2:30pm. Girls interclub trials take place on Sunday, 24 September from 10am to 11:30am. For further information contact Sarah Painter at painter@actrix.co.nz or www.lowerhutttennisclub.com/join/.

Carterton Daffodil Festival – Sunday, 10 September. Come and pick daffodils at Middlerun, a historic property in Gladstone. Free buses departing throughout the day, starting at 10am from Broadway, will be available to shuttle festival goers to and from Middlerun. For more information visit <http://cdc.govt.nz/daffodil-festival/> or our Carterton Daffodil Festival Facebook Page.

For Sale – St Orans College uniform, excellent condition, details on the school community notice board. Please contact Michelle on 027 656 2191 for more information.

Tennis Coaching Term 4 - For children from Year 2-6. Places are available in this programme which takes place at Boulcott School on **Mondays from 3:10-3:50pm, starting on Monday 16 October, 2017** and continuing for 6 consecutive weeks or on **Wednesdays from 8:10-8:50am, starting on Wednesday 18 October, 2017** and continuing for 6 consecutive weeks. The coach will be Mr Gary Nelson, an experienced teacher and qualified tennis coach. All equipment is provided including rackets. Cost is \$48-00 for the block of 6 lessons and this is to be paid at the first lesson. If you wish to enrol please phone Gary Nelson (Ph- 5897178) **as soon as possible**. **Enrolments will be taken on a first in, first served basis.**

Holiday Programmes

Little Dog Barking Children's Theatre – presents “Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge,” based on the book by Mem Fox. Wednesday 4 October at Expressions in Upper Hutt, Thursday 5 October at Kapiti Playhouse in Paraparaumu, Tuesday 10 October at The Little Theatre in Lower Hutt and Thursday 12 October at St Peter's Hall in Paekakariki. Our delightful production of “Guji Guji” is showing at Te Papa, Soundings Theatre on Saturday 7 October. Both shows suitable for ages 2 – 10 years old. For ticketing and further information contact info@littledogbarking.co.nz, ph 021 042 1851 or www.littledogbarking.co.nz.

Goodtime Music Academy Holiday Programme – Monday 2 October to Thursday 5 October, and Monday 9 October to Thursday 12 October. Learn, explore and perform with some of Goodtime's coolest music teachers. Year 1 – Year 6, all skill levels. BYO morning tea/lunch. \$55 for a full day from 9am to 3:30pm. For more information and to book a space contact holiday.gtma.co.nz, ph 04 568 2237 or holiday@gtma.co.nz.

El Rancho Camp - Zootopia Kids Camp. Only 4 weeks left to book for our Spring Kids Camp for 8 - 12 year olds. ZOOTOPIA is the theme. Join us for an animal adventure like never before:

- * Petting Zoo with baby animals
- * Horse rides for everyone
- * Exciting outdoor activities
- * Live band
- * Competitions
- * Performing Arts and loads more!! On from 4pm, Monday 2 October to 11am, Friday 6 October. OSCAR/WINZ subsidies available. Follow this link to our website to register:

<http://elrancho.co.nz/Camps+and+Events/Kids+Camps.html>

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