

Namaste Boulcott Whanau,

I hope you all had a relaxing and happy Easter break. It is only once in a while the Easter break falls outside normal school holidays and no doubt it was welcomed by all. With a week and a half until the next break, this is the last Boulcott Broadcast for Term 1.

If you have visited the school lately you would have seen our corridor slowly coming to life with a variety of collections, celebrating the wonderful work that has been happening over the past term. Our 'Boulcott Gallery' is starting to feature some quality artwork from around the school. We plan to update this regularly throughout the year to showcase our fantastic artistic talent! Our Year 3 & 4 Team have also started showcasing some of their amazing creations at the western end of the corridor. Our Enviro Greenie Team have re-established their 'Vision Board', detailing their latest initiatives and future plans. They are utilising the Hutt River as a visual to represent the journey we are on with EnviroSchool initiatives. Overall the entire corridor space is looking great! Loads of colour and quality work to celebrate the wonderful school we are!

Speaking of EnviroSchools, you may have seen our 'Walking Pou' is almost complete and nearly ready to be installed at the stop bank on Ariki Street. We will be working with the Hutt City Council to make a time to install it so it can become a 'pick up and drop off' point for our students and whanau to travel to school by feet, scooter or bike. We will keep you posted with updates when we learn more. A big thank you to our Greenie Group, Ms Nankivell, Cherie Wright and Samantha Hughes for completing this great initiative.

GOAL SETTING

Next week your child will be sharing their goal setting via the Seesaw app. All the students have been reflecting on their learning from the past term and have identified some next steps for their learning in reading, writing and maths. Many students may also have a social or behavioural goal they plan to work on. An essential part of learners being independent and self directed is their ability to set and reflect on goals for their success. This process has been largely facilitated by the classroom teacher so they can guide the students on their next logical step in their learning. When you view your child's goal setting on Seesaw, please take the time to leave a comment for them. Receiving constructive feedback is another essential tool in successful learning. If you'd like to read more on the importance of goal setting for learning check out [this useful article](#) from Karen Boyes, a New Zealand Educational Speaker and Blogger.



ROOM 6 & 7 RENOVATIONS

Our two new entrant classrooms are pretty much complete and are looking AMAZING! Ms Jellie and Ms Lock have been busy over the past week setting up their rooms with their furniture and their students have had regular trips down the corridor to check out the progress. We are awaiting on the 'finishing touches' so we will look to move the classes to their new spaces at the start of next term.

WRITTEN REPORT WRITING SURVEY

A big thank you to all the parents that have completed our short survey on written report formats for mid and end of the year - we have had a great response and we really appreciate your feedback. We will keep the survey open until the end of this week so if you haven't completed it yet, simply click on the link [here](#) or on the email that was sent out last week. Don't forget every submission will give your child's House Group 20 points!

STAFFING UPDATE

During last weeks assembly we gave a sad farewell to the lovely Mrs Kathy Cutler. Kathy has been an integral part of our teaching team for over 14 years and has worn many 'hats' during her time at Boulcott, including PE & Sport Co-ordinator and Mentor Teacher for many beginning teachers. Kathy has accepted a full time teaching position at Pinehaven School, starting in Term 2. Kathy will be considerably missed at Boulcott but we wish her the best of luck for her next teaching adventure. Jane Anstiss will be taking over Kathy's release in the Junior Syndicate and I have almost finalised a replacement for Kathy in the Senior Syndicate which I can confirm with you shortly.

Carmen Chambers has had her study leave application accepted by the Ministry of Education so she will be taking leave from the classroom in Terms 3 and 4. This will give her much needed time to complete her Masters in Education. We are currently in the process of seeking suitable replacements for Carmen and Fiona Ranchod (Maternity Leave), starting Term 3.

HOLIDAY PROJECTS

During the upcoming holiday break we potentially have a number of property projects on the go:

- Weather permitting, our sports field will be re-sown with grass to hopefully improve the playing surface.
- A sandpit is set to be constructed by the Junior playground. This project has been fully funded through the amazing Home and School Committee.
- Room 9 and the Boiler Room at the western side of the school is due for a exterior repaint.
- The large eucalyptus tree by the Senior playground has been identified as a risk of falling and unfortunately needs to be removed.
- All things going to plan, the large stand of pine trees behind Room 15 (on the Golf Club/Summerset property) will also be removed while the children and staff are away from school.

As you can see, there will be a lot of activity around the place. Please be mindful of this if you intend to use the school spaces in the holidays as there will potentially be some 'high risk' and therefore 'no go' areas. I will endeavour to keep you posted via email with updates as we get closer to the break.

RIDICULOUS RHYME SHOW VISIT!

Next week we have some entertaining guests visiting us. A BBC Children's television show 'The Rhyme Rocket', which is a rhyme and poetry show on the Cbeebies channel in the UK. The team from the show have recently devised an interactive literacy show based around rhyming which they have been taking into Primary schools across the UK over the last twelve months. The school show is pitched at 4 - 10 year olds with the aim of promoting rhyming and poetry and encouraging children to really enjoy literacy. It's a very upbeat show full of songs and comedy and has been received immensely well by UK schools as a fantastic and unique learning tool for promoting literacy to children. After the show, our Year 5 and 6

students have a further opportunity to take part in a workshop about working in television. The cost for the visit is \$4 per child, which needs to be handed into the office by Tuesday, 10 April.

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RIPPA RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Best of luck to our 3 Rippa Rugby teams who are representing Boulcott School and Central Zone at the InterZone Tournament today. We are sure you'll do us all proud! A big thank you once again to the parents who have supported the children to get there today, along with Craig O'Connell for making it happen for all the teams over the past few weeks.

YEAR 3 - 6 SWIMMING SPORTS

We are all looking forward to this Friday at Naenae Pool, where all our Year 3 to 6 students will be competing in our annual Swimming Sports event. Please make sure you have read the separate notice that went home regarding this event so your child is fully prepared for the day. You are all welcome at the pool to support our swimmers on the day. Events will begin at approximately 9:30am and finish at 12:30pm. A big thank you to Dana Skinner and Craig O'Connell for organising this action-packed day for us!

HURRICANES!

Last week the Hurricanes Development Coach came to talk with several Senior classes about what it takes to be an athlete. The students had many questions for Carlos, one of the development players, some challenging ones too. Many thanks to the Hurricanes for coming in and sharing your knowledge and experience with us.



CHEER AWARDS

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. This year each class awards two students a certificate; one chosen by the teacher and the other chosen by the class.

Friday, 29 March:

Room 5
Room 6 & 7
Room 8
Room 9
Room 10

Teacher Award

Micah
Christopher
Chelsea
Luke
Declan

Student Award

Hania
Olive
Ethan L
Riley
Isla

Room 11
Room 12
Room 13
Room 14
Room 15

Addyson
Lily
Suri
Thomas S
Chloe

Regan
Mica
Nevaeh
Adam
Edward

Room 1
Room 2
Room 3
Room 4

Vihini
Jackson M
Melissa
Kelsey

Max
Holly
Anyia
Mishall



BOULCOTT PRESERVATION SOCIETY AGM

You may be interested in attending this meeting to find out more about developments that are happening with Summerset Retirement Home. The BPS have recently met with the Hutt City Council to learn more about the upcoming Earthworks planned for later in the year. The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Boulcott School Hall on Thursday, 19 April at 7:30pm

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Just a reminder that our Wednesday Thai lunches, provided by Thai Tara Restaurant, are now **\$6**. Please place the correct cash in the envelope provided. Cheques will not be accepted. Orders need to be placed in the lunch box at the office before 9am on Wednesday morning.

LIBRARY

Issue 2 of the Scholastic Book Club closes today. We are trying to encourage all families to order their books using the LOOP online system. Visit scholastic.co.nz/LOOP or download the LOOP app from the app store. As from Term 2 we will no longer accept cash/cheque payments.

SCHOOL HATS

A number of students have misplaced their named Boulcott School hats. Please check your child's bag to ensure they have the correct hat. Please return any hats not belonging to your child to the Lost Property cupboard by the hall.

PIANO KEYBOARD LESSONS

Learning to play an instrument complements a child's learning in other areas. Both sides of the brain are engaged and will help develop: Concentration, Reading and Mathematical skills, Musical appreciation, Hand-eye coordination, Self esteem and confidence. Piano and keyboard are great first instruments to learn. Your child can learn Piano and Keyboard at school. Book now and start next term. Phone 027 211 5077 or email admin@musicacademy.co.nz.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you to a Boulcott School family who anonymously covered the cost of our 'Shuttletime' badminton programme for all our students. We appreciate your generous donation.

Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

| Important Dates Term 1 & Holidays | |
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| Date | Event |
| 4 Apr | InterZone Rippa Rugby Tournament |
| 6 Apr | School Swimming Sports Yr 3-6 |
| 9 Apr | Board of Trustees meeting 7pm |
| 10 Apr | UKTV Show visit |
| 12 Apr | Goal Setting via Seesaw |
| 13 Apr | Assembly 2:10pm, Last day of Term 1 ends at 3pm |
| 19 Apr | Boulcott Preservation Society AGM @ Boulcott School Hall 7.30pm |
| 30 Apr | First day of Term 2 |

BOULCOTT SCHOOL GALA

The Gala Committee is in the throes of planning the 2019 Gala that will take place on Saturday, 23 February.

The Gala will be the biggest fundraiser on the school calendar and promises to be an exciting event for our kids and the local community.

In the future we will be asking for volunteers and the donation of goods, but for now we are in need of a shipping container to use as storage.

If there's anyone who knows how we can get hold of one or has a contact for us to approach, please get in touch with Kris Sturmer 027 414 9393 or email gala@boulcott.school.nz.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

GKR Karate - Free Self Defence Classes at one of our upcoming open nights. Saturday, 7 April at Hutt Central School 10:30am - 12pm, Thursday 12 April at Waterloo School from 6 - 7:30pm, Wednesday 18 April at Normandale School from 6 - 7:30pm and Tuesday, 24 April at Epuni School from 6pm - 7pm. Contact Anthony on 027 765 3935 to book your spot.

Holiday Programmes

Free School Holiday Activities - Animates will be running free sessions during the holidays to learn about everyone's favourite fluffy friends on Thursday, 19 and 26 April at 11am. Bookings not necessary but arrive early.

Little Dog Barking Children's Theatre - Presents 'Twinkle', 16 April at Te Papa, Wellington, 17 April at the Little Theatre, Lower Hutt, 19 April at St Peter's Village Hall in Paekakariki and 24-28 April at BATS Theatre in Wellington. Suitable for ages 2 -8 years old. For ticketing and further information go to info@littledogbarking.co.nz ph 021 042 185, or www.littledogbarking.co.nz.

Artrageous Kids - April programme from Monday, 16 April to Friday, 27 April. 5 - 12 years at Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Terrace, Mt Cook Wellington. 8:30am - 3pm, \$69 and after care 3pm -5:15pm \$15. 10-14 years at Wellington High School, Taranaki Street, Mt Cook, Wellington. To book go to admin@outrageouskids.co.nz.

Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club - April Term School Holiday Roller Disco Monday – Friday (including ANZAC Day 25 April) both weeks 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Saturdays 3:00 – 5:00 pm. Entry \$7 Skate/Blade hire \$3. Adult skating with a paying child 8 years or younger will get Free Entry only. Ask about our loyalty card. Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club, [4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt](http://www.4arailwayavenue.co.nz). 0226824517 emails rinkbooking@gmail.com skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz

Skate-a-thon roller disco. 6.00 pm – midnight. Entry \$15 includes skate/blade hire. Spot prizes throughout the session. Pizza slices for sale throughout the evening. All ages welcome to this fun night. Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club, [4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt](http://www.4arailwayavenue.co.nz). Ph 0226824517 rinkbooking@gmail.com skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz, www.facebook.com/upperhuttrollerskatingclub <http://www.skatewellington.org.nz>

Felting Workshop - Wrap, dunk and roll! Create felted pebbles from fluffy wool, shiny silk and smooth stones. For 5-12 year olds, \$15 per child, all materials supplied. Eastbourne Library, Tuesday 17 April, 1:30-3pm. More info at <https://www.facebook.com/jinglebugsnz> and bookings to jann.freitas@jinglebugs.co.nz.

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