



Namaste Boulcott Whanau,

What an action packed couple of weeks it has been at Boulcott! Along with all the regular learning programmes, we have had a wide variety of other opportunities that have further enhanced the students' learning.

Last week we had a dedicated 'Book Week' to celebrate our love of reading. We had a number of New Zealand authors and illustrators visit the school to share their experience of publishing books. The whole school took part in the 'National Simultaneous Storytime', where we joined over a million other children from across New Zealand and Australia to listen to the same story at the same time. The week concluded with a wonderful parade of students and staff dressed as their favourite book character! A big thank you to Carmen Chambers and Tania Blucher for organising a fun week for the students.

Last week the classes from the Senior Team took part in the 'Pedal Ready' programme which was hosted by the Hutt City Council. This was a valuable opportunity for the students to improve their bike riding safety along with getting their bike a sound warrant of fitness check by some specialised bike technicians!

The classes from the Middle Team took part in the ShuttleTime programme which focuses on improving racquet skills and hand-eye coordination through badminton. We also had 30 Year 2 and 3 students compete in the annual Tiniball competition at Walter Nash Stadium!

Last Tuesday I was very privileged to attend the National Young Leaders Day with 9 of our Year 6 leaders. The theme from the day was '*Me Whakaro Rangitira - Thinking like a Leader.*' The team was inspired by speakers such as Kelly Wilson (*Keeping up with the Kaimanawas*) and ultra-marathon runner Lisa Tamati. Many of the messages were about focusing on your passions, never giving up and believing in yourself in order to succeed. Once again our Boulcott students were wonderful role models and sound ambassadors for our school!

Several students from the Middle and Senior Team also visited the Hutt City Library last week. They got a behind the scene tour of the library to learn how the library works. Lucky things!



## **CHROMEBOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!**

The students in the Senior Team have been enjoying exploring using our new google chromebooks that have arrived recently. We believe these devices will be incredibly effective in enhancing collaboration between students and teachers, along with providing another portal for sharing work with parents at home. As time goes on, the students will become more confident with working in the new platform. If you have any questions regarding these new devices, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

## **COMMUNITY COFFEE CATCH-UP**

Thank you to the small group of parents who attended this casual get-together last week. We always appreciate the feedback we get from our parent community. We hope to make this a regular event so keep a lookout in future newsletters for the next date.

## **TEACHERS PAID UNION MEETING**

Just a heads up, the next round of paid union meetings is **Friday, 29 June**. On this afternoon the teachers from this school will be attending a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting regarding the Kua Tae Te Wā - It's Time campaign. The campaign aims to free teachers to teach and Principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. The meetings will allow our teachers to discuss how the Ministry of Education has responded to changes that the union is seeking.

Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting. The teachers will be leaving school on Friday, 29 June, to attend their paid union meeting which starts at 2pm.

I strongly encourage parents to make arrangements to pick their child(ren) up from school by 1:30pm on Friday, 29 June. If you are unable to pick your children up then, non-union members and support staff will be able to supervise them until 3pm.

I appreciate that this creates some inconvenience for families. However, I encourage you to support your teachers as they strive to achieve the changes which will safeguard quality education for all children and ensure we make teaching an attractive profession for graduates.

## **YUMMY APPLE 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 the 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. We have until the end of Term 2, so lets get munching!

## **WELCOME**

Welcome to the following students and their families who have started at Boulcott School this term:

Room 7 - Rhys

Room 9 - Nico

Room 1 - Mila



## Water polo

Our two water polo teams started their season last week - check out some of the action from Naenae Pool!

## Tiniball

Mrs Falconer had the pleasure of taking 33 Year 2 & 3 students to a Tiniball festival last week at the

Walter Nash stadium. Each team played 5 games with no scores being

recorded as participation was the aim of the game. Our children were challenged at times but they never wavered from their CHEER values. Our CHEER values helped our children stand out in a very positive light. A big thank you to the parents who came along and helped with the teams and provided support to Mrs Falconer.



## Zone Cross Country

Best of luck to our Year 4-6 students who are representing Boulcott at the Central- Zone Cross- country next Tuesday at Trentham Memorial Park. We know you will run with pride!

## LOST PROPERTY

There is a large amount of lost property displayed along the corridor. Please check carefully the next time you are passing to see if any items belong to your child. If a students' clothing is named it will be returned to them.

A wallet was found in the school grounds and handed to the office. Please come to the office if you have lost a wallet recently.



# 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, 25 May:	Teacher Award	Student Award
Room 5	Stella	Brody
Room 6	Ethan	Addi
Room 7	Elvina	Addison
Room 8	Priya	Lexi
Room 9	Todd	Charis
Room 10	Aaliya	Georgia
Room 11	Krish	Paxton
Room 12	Jada	Daksh
Room 13	Harry	Peighton
Room 14	Arabella	Olivia
Room 15	Isabelle	Dharmik
Room 1	Sophia	Gabi
Room 2	Kezia	Maddison L
Room 3	Charlie	Lily
Room 4	Kingston-Leith	Maya





## HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

Upcoming Events for Home & School Fundraising:

Sausage Sizzle - Friday, 15 June

Movie Fundraiser - 'The Incredibles 2' Sunday, 29 July, 3pm at the Monterey Cinema in Upper Hutt

Lost at the disco - A light pink puffer jacket with Hollie Hebden written on one of the inside labels. If your child has a pink puffer jacket please check to ensure they have the correct jacket. Please hand the jacket to the school office if it is found. Thanks.

Important Dates for Term 2	
Date	Event
31 May	Te Papa Trip - Seniors
4 June	Queen's Birthday - school closed
5 June	Central- Zone Cross-country
7 June	Central- Zone Cross- country (pp)
8 June	School Assembly 2:10pm
9 June	40 hour Famine
11 June	Junior Swimming Programme starts - Naenae Pool
19 June	Inter-zone Cross-country, Stargazing Evening at school
21 June	Inter-zone Cross-country (pp), Stargazing Evening (pp)
22 June	Assembly 2:10pm
29 June	Teacher Paid Union Meeting (pm)
6 July	Assembly 2:10pm, last day of Term 2 ends at 3pm

Nga mihi nui  
Stu Devenport  
**Principal**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Pridelands** - Summer Pride Escape Adventure, Monday 28 January to Sunday, 3 February 2019 in Taupo. For ages 9-17 years. Contact 0800 774 3348 or email [info@pridelands.org.nz](mailto:info@pridelands.org.nz) for more information or register online at [www.pridelands.org.nz](http://www.pridelands.org.nz).

**Marrzipan Drama** - Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and hilarious. You can sign your child up for a trial lesson via our website [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz).

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