



Greetings Boulcott Whanau,

It is hard to believe we are past the halfway mark of Term 2 already! Winter is definitely here now and the wet weather has been challenging, but I'm pleased to see the children (and adults) are managing to cope well with indoor lunchtimes. Hopefully we will see some sunshine soon so we can get some valuable vitamin D!

I have had the pleasure of visiting all the classrooms over the past couple of weeks, observing some wonderful lessons of teachers and students in action. It was wonderful to see such a high level of engagement and ENTHUSIASM throughout all the classrooms. We are very lucky to have a great bunch of teachers providing quality learning experiences for our tamariki.

We were all super proud of the 60 Year 4 to 6 students that represented Boulcott School at the annual Central-Zone Cross-country event last Tuesday. We have 39 of these students qualifying for the Inter-Zone on Tuesday, 19 June - what a great achievement! A special mention to the following students who had podium finishes on the day:

Year 4 Boys - Tyler (3rd)

Year 4 Girls - Suri (1st)

Year 5 Boys - Ben (2nd) and Vince (3rd)

Year 5 Girls - Judy (1st)

Year 6 Boys - Fin (2nd) and Will (3rd)

Year 6 Girls - Sylah (2nd)

A huge thank you to those parents who were able to help with various jobs on the day.

All classroom teachers are currently in the process of drafting mid-year reports for the children in their classroom. These reports will give you information, in plain simple language, on the progress and achievement of your child in Reading, Writing and Maths along with comments on other curriculum areas. It will outline successes, next learning steps and tips on how you can support your child's learning at home. As mentioned in previous newsletters, National Standards are no longer a requirement for reporting, yet feedback from the recent parent survey indicated a strong desire in having a good understanding of how students are progressing against expectations. These reports will have a statement on how your child is achieving against curriculum levels from the New Zealand Curriculum. These mid-year reports will be coming home on the final day of Term 2, Friday 6 July.



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING & WHANAU HUI!

In addition to these mid year reports, we are opening the classrooms up to family and whanau on **Thursday, 28 June**, so your child can share examples of their learning journey with you from the first two terms of 2018. This will be a casual 'pop in' affair with your child leading this process with you. Feel free to come along anytime from 3-5:30pm.

Afterwards, we invite our Maori whanau to the school hall for our annual Whanau Hui. Come along to see our Tikanga Group perform then take part in Kai and Korero with our staff. We would love to hear your views on how we can further enhance the learning environment for your tamariki at Boulcott School.

With Carmen Chambers and Fiona Ranchod departing at the end of this term and Lisa Hassell on leave at the beginning of Term 3, Learning Conferences will take place in Week 9 (Tuesday 26 & Thursday 28 June). If your child is in Room 2, 9 and/or 11 keep a look out for an invitation to make a time for a Learning Conference with your classroom teacher.

#EDCONVO18 - HAVE YOUR SAY!

Following the removal of National Standards, the Ministry of Education is working with schools, students, parents, whānau, iwi and communities to focus on progress and achievement across the curricula, for students in Years 1 to 10.

A focus on progress and achievement across the curricula will mean tamariki have the support and learning opportunities they need to develop the key capabilities for success in life, learning and work.

Please take the chance to have a say about what's important to you, so the work the Ministry does reflects your aspirations and expectations.

If you'd like to share your views and help shape the direction of education, click on the link below:
<http://www.surveymzmo.com/s3/4374796/Curriculum-Progress-and-Achievement-survey-2018>

TEACHERS PAID UNION MEETING

A reminder, the next round of paid union meetings is **Friday, 29 June**. On this afternoon the teachers 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.



Come along to school and let your child share examples of their learning journey from the first two terms of 2018.

**Thursday
28th June
3 - 5.30pm**

Celebration of Learning & Whanau Hui!



At **5.40pm** we welcome our Maori families to the school hall:

- Performance from our Tikanga Group
- Kai & Korero

We'd love to hear your views on how we can further enhance the learning environment for your tamariki.

Kōrero

Mātauranga

Me kōrero tātou

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 6: Kobe & Tala

Room 7: Elyse & Emma



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, 8 June:	Teacher Award	Student Award
Room 5	Rashid	Samuel
Room 6	Ansuya	Sebastian
Room 7	Riley	Asher
Room 8	Lucas	Dakota
Room 9	Olive	Sofia
Room 10	Dana	Mustafa
Room 11	Scarlett	Lily M
Room 12	Marley	Riley
Room 13	Terrance	Lorraine
Room 14	Elijah	Rishka
Room 15	Shubham	Isabella
Room 1	Sophie C	Mila
Room 2	William	Phoebe
Room 3	Jamie	Matilda
Room 4	Antara	Albin

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

Calendar Art - End of Term 2 - more information to follow

Important Dates for Term 2	
Date	Event
18 June	Junior Swimming Programme continues, Board of Trustees Meeting
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
26 June	Learning Conferences (Rooms 2,9,11)
28 June	Celebration of Learning & Whanau Hui
	Learning Conferences (Rooms 2,9,11)
29 June	Teacher Paid Union Meeting (pm)
1 July	Polyfest Rehearsal in School Hall (Year 5&6)
2 July	Polyfest @ Walter Nash (Year 5&6)
6 July	Assembly 2:10pm, last day of Term 2 ends at 3pm
	Mid Year Reports come home

Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

School Holiday Programmes:

Weta Workshop - Calling all superheroes. From sketching to sculpting and costume making, our workshops are for 6 - 12 year olds. Book online at www.wetaworkshop.com/school-holidays.

School Holiday Computer Classes - For ages 5 - 15 years. For more information call 499 2211 or visit www.grandtraining.co.nz

Oscar House Holiday Programme - Monday, 9 July to Friday, 20 July. Programme plans, information & enrolments now available. Go to <http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-junior/> Years 0 - 3, or <http://www.oscarhouse.co.nz/holiday-programme-senior/> Years 4 - 8. Early Bird enrolments close, and fees are due on Wednesday, 27 June 2018.

Little Dog Barking Ltd - Circa Theatre, Wellington, presents "Duck Death and the Tulip, and "Black Dog" - 10 July to 12 July. Suitable for 2 years old and up. For ticketing and further information visit Circa.co.nz or box office 04 801 7992.

Artrageous Kids Programme - Monday 9 to Friday 20 July, for children 5 - 12 years. For more information go to https://enrolmy.com/artrageous-kids/activity/18-July_Artrageous_Mayhem.

Big Kids programme for 10 - 14 year olds from Monday 9 to Friday 20 July. For more information go to https://enrolmy.com/artrageous-kids2016/activity/14-OLDERAGEOUS_July_adventure.

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