



The
Boulcott

Wednesday 31 October 2018
Term 4 Week 3



Broadcast

Tālofa Boulcott Whanau,

We all made a great start to the week with another successful Athletics Day for our Year 3 to 6 students. The worst of the weather managed to stay away for us to complete a full day of events. This is an important day for us on the sports calendar as it helps us determine our top athletes to represent the school at the Central Zone Athletics event in a couple of weeks time. More importantly though, it is an opportunity for all students to have a go at a wide variety of events and endeavour to achieve some personal goals after several weeks of training. It was wonderful to see our CHEER values being demonstrated throughout the day with students supporting their peers and strive for success. Once again, that strong House spirit was shown at the conclusion of the day with our House relays! A big thank you to all the parents who attended on Monday. Whether it was helping run an event or simply supporting your child to achieve their best, it was great to have you involved. A special thank you to Dana Skinner and Craig O'Connell for coordinating the day. It was a slick operation from start to finish which was due to their attention to detail in preparing for the day.

If your child has been selected for the Central Zone event, information will be sent home shortly explaining the organisation for the day.

This week I am celebrating my 1 year anniversary at Boulcott School! Time has certainly flown by since my wonderful powhiri welcome on my first day back in 2017. Recently I was asked by fellow Principals what makes Boulcott School great. I instantly responded that it is the people that make this place so fantastic. Our students are engaged, enthusiastic and excited about learning. Our parent community is welcoming, friendly and committed to supporting their children in their learning. Our staff are professional, relational and always willing to improve their practice ensuring they get the best from our akonga (learners). Thank you all for making my first year at Boulcott School so special. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the community and I'm excited about many more years leading Boulcott into the future.

He aha te mea nui o te ao

What is the most important thing in the world?

He tangata, he tangata, he tangata

It is the people, it is the people, it is the people



2019 CLASS ORGANISATION

This is the time of year where the teaching teams commence the process of forming classes for 2019. This is often an intricate process where a lot of factors are taken into consideration. Learning, social, behaviour, emotional needs are all put into the mix to ensure we make the right decisions for each child.

Although at Boulcott School we do not take parent requests for class placements, if you have some information you think we would find useful about your child, you are welcome to provide us with this. If you wish to do this, please let me know directly by Friday, 9 November. You can email your thoughts to my address below, or call the office should you need to make an appointment.
principal@boulcott.school.nz

SCHOOL CLOSED - Friday, 16 November due to Strike Action

The Board of Trustees can't provide teaching for students during the upcoming strike.

The NZEI has advised the Boulcott School Board of Trustees that Stu Devenport and staff at our school will be taking strike action from 7am to 7pm on Friday, 16 November 2018.

The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and unfortunately decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike. It's important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike.

The school will need to close during this strike.

I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your understanding. Please contact Stu Devenport if you have any queries relating to this decision.

If you would like more information on our current offer from the Ministry of Education, please follow this link: <https://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/campaign-resources/>

STAFFING UPDATE

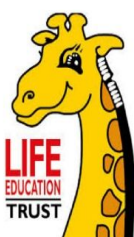
We are pleased to announce we have appointed two new teachers to join our teaching team for 2019.

Stacey Rowe is joining us from Greenacres School and is currently in her 5th year of teaching. She has expertise in the Junior school, Te Ao Maori and Play Based Learning. Stacey will be joining our Junior Team in 2019.

Darlene Avia will be in her first year of teaching in 2019, after finishing her teaching qualification at the end of this year. Darlene has had several years working as a Teaching Assistant and working in an Early Childhood Centre. Darlene is a talented hip-hop dancer and is incredibly excited about having her own class in the Middle Team in 2019.

The finalised structure for the teaching team for 2019 is almost finalised. I look forward to sharing this with you in the next couple of weeks.

LIFE EDUCATION



The Life Education mobile classroom arrived this week and we welcome Andrea and Harold the Giraffe to Boulcott School. All 16 classes will have a couple of visits to the Life Ed classroom over the next couple of weeks. The major focus for students in the Middle and Senior School is looking at relationship building while the Junior School are focusing on road safety. The cost of \$6 per student to cover this programme (and show \$3) is now due. Please pay directly into our school account, 12-3142-0062729-00, reference 'Activities'.

TERM 4 ELECTIVES

In Weeks 4 -7 we will be running a school-wide 'Electives' programme. This allows students to choose an exciting activity or learning opportunity from across a range of curriculum areas. If you haven't completed the google form that went out last week please complete this as soon as possible. All responses need to be in by Friday morning.

WACKY HAIR DAY

The Student council is organising a Wacky Hair Day on Tuesday 6 November.

Dress up your hair and please bring a gold coin donation for the Kids Can charity to help kids who are not as fortunate as us. You don't have to have a tricky hair do, just something a bit crazy.

We can't wait to see everyone's crazy hair!

By Jada (Rm 12) and Lucy (Rm 1)



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Touch Rugby

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for the Wellington Touch Rugby Team:

U10 Mixed Team - Isabella - Rm 13, Jada - Rm 12

U10 Mixed Development - William - Rm 15, Lucy - Rm 12

U12 Mixed Team - Finn - Rm 2, Acacia - Rm 1

U12 Girls Team - Lynmari - Rm 4

U12 Boys Development Team - Wairangi - Rm 3, Jackson - Rm 2, Kobe - Rm 1

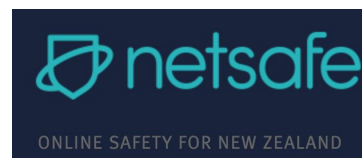


Tennis

On Thursday, 18 October, six Year 5 & 6 students participated in a Primary School Tennis tournament held at Mitchell Park. Everyone played hard and won a lot of their matches. Sadly no one from Boulcott School made it through to the regionals but they all had a great day. Thank you to those parents who came along to help the team and provide their support.

NETSAFE - KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

Continuing our handy hints for online safety for your children, here are further tips to consider:



ONLINE BULLYING

One in five young people in New Zealand have been the target of online bullying. Teach your child what to do if they're targeted online, so they have the tools to deal with it if it happens. Ask them what advice they'd give a friend who was experiencing online bullying. This is a good way to understand how they would deal with these kinds of situations if they were to experience it themselves.

Make sure you also talk to them about how you expect them to behave towards others online.

- Let them know that if it's not acceptable offline, it's not acceptable online
- Ask your kids to think about the person on the "other side" of the screen
- Lead by example – think about how you're behaving toward others online

Find out more about [how to deal with online bullying](#).

ICAS EXAMS

In last week's assembly we celebrated student success in the ICAS Maths and Kiwi Spelling exams, which were administered in Term 3. We congratulate the following students who achieved excellent results:

Maths	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Distinction <i>The next 10 % of participants</i>	Joshua - Rm 15	Lucy - Rm 2	Thadius - Rm 3
Credit <i>The next 25% of participants</i>	Luke - Rm 13 Terrance - Rm 13 Akshaya - Rm 14 Franco - Rm 13	Issy - Rm 15 (Year 4 sitting a Year 5 exam) Emma - Rm 2 Lindsey - Rm 1 Judy - Rm 3	Dineth - Rm 4 Fin - Rm 2 Elliott - Rm 1 Callum - Rm 2 Catherine - Rm 3 Liam - Rm 2
Merit <i>The next 10% of participants</i>	Isabelle - Rm 15 Elina - Rm 14 Lucas - Rm 13 Alana - Rm 14	Vihini - Rm 1	Melissa - Rm 3

KIWI SPELLING		
Melissa	Rm 3	Excellence
Maya	Rm 4	Merit
Kijiana	Rm 4	Merit
Mishall	Rm 4	Merit
Dineth	Rm 4	Merit
Judy	Rm 3	Merit
James	Rm 1	Merit

Congratulations also to Jake, Rm 15, who is a Year 3 who sat the Year 4 ICAS English exam and received a credit. We apologise for missing this out in the last newsletter.

SUNHATS

Now that the warmer weather is here all students will require a sunhat for outside play at morning tea and lunchtime. Please come to the office to collect an order form. Our 'No Hat No Play' policy is now being enforced.

LIBRARY

Book Author visit - Last term the Senior School was lucky enough to have an author visit from Ben Spies, a young talented author from Kapiti. Ben and his mum Renata visited Boulcott School to talk to Senior students about Ben's two books he has written, 'The Magic Pencil', and 'Weirdo' and he is only 12. Ben then took a writing workshop with some of our PBL students and showed them



some tips and tricks on how to produce their own books. We really appreciated Ben and Renata taking the time to visit us from Kapiti.

Scholastic Book Fair - Our annual Scholastic Book Fair begins on Thursday, 8 November and runs through to Tuesday, 13 November. The library will be open each morning from 8:30am to 9am and after school from 3pm to 3:30pm (late night Thursday till 5:30pm), for students and parents to look at and purchase a great range of books from Scholastic. For every book sold the school will receive a percentage of the funds. These funds are used each year to purchase new books for our library. Thank you to those parents who have signed up to help during the Book Fair but we still need more helpers. If you are able to help please add your name to the roster outside the Library or email tania_blucher@boulcott.school.nz.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Patel family from Room 13 who, on behalf of Briscoes, donated a box of rugby, netball and soccer balls to Boulcott School. They will be well used.

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, 26 Oct:	Teacher Award	Student Award
Room 5a	Charlie	Lilli
Room 5	Christopher	Stella
Room 6		Christopher
Room 7	Jack	Elvina
Room 8	Anna	Ethan H
Room 9	Henry	Sophie
Room 10	Isla	Declan
Room 12	Lucy Y	Camden
Room 13	Toby	Ivy
Room 14	Olivia	Elina
Room 15	Issy	Benjamin
Room 1	Oska	Acacia
Room 2	Jet	Sophie M
Room 3	Sophie HB	Kijiana
Room 4	Asher	Olly

HOME AND SCHOOL

A big thank you to Gina Ewington who held the Trilogy event last Saturday. It was a fun, relaxing afternoon learning how to make moisturiser and learn about the Trilogy products.

Upcoming events in Term 4:

Ice block Fridays - Ice blocks (\$1) will be sold on Fridays after school this term, under the shade sail. If you are able to help with selling ice blocks on Fridays please email karen_henry@boulcott.school.nz.

Pizza Day - **Thursday, 22 November**, forms will be sent home to the eldest child in the next week.

TERM DATES FOR 2019

Term 1: Thursday, 31 January - Friday, 12 April

PLEASE NOTE TEACHER ONLY DAY ON FRIDAY, 15 FEBRUARY

Term 2: Monday, 29 April - Friday, 5 July

Term 3: Monday, 22 July - Friday, 27 September

Term 4: Monday, 14 October - Tuesday, 17 December

Important Dates for Term 4	
Date	Event
1 November	Central Zone Teeball Touch Rugby begins
2 November	2019 Ballot
6 November	Wacky Hair Day
8 November	Scholastic Book Fair starts
9 November	Kapa Haka Exchange Year 5 & 6 E-Pro8 challenge
12 November	Central Zone Athletics Board of Trustees Meeting
16 November	Potential Strike Action - School Closed
19 November	Dental Bus arrives
20 November	Central Zone Softball Gala Meeting
22 November	Home and School Pizza Lunch
23 November	Assembly 2:10pm
27 November	InterZone Athletics
29 November	Seniors EOTC - Remutaka Forest Park
30 November	Junior Athletics
4 December	Road Patrol Party Regional Athletics
5 December	Cushion Concert Year 6 Trip to Eastbourne
7 December	Prize Giving Assembly
10 December	Board of Trustees Meeting
11 December	Avalon Park - Whole school EOTC
12 December	Meet 2019 Teacher & Class lists, reports go home Year 6 Evening
14 December	Leavers Assembly Final day of 2018! School finishes at 1pm

Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Saints and Angels Party - Wednesday, 31 October, Knox Presbyterian Church, 574 High Street, 5pm - 7pm. Dress up in your favourite costume and join us for an evening packed with fun. There will be a giant slide, bungee run, bouncy castles, petting zoo, football cage, face painting and a variety of carnival games. Everyone receives free popcorn and candy floss. Sausages and drinks are available for \$1. No scary costumes please. Entry is by way of gold coin donation and/or can of food. Cans will be donated to the Food bank.

The Pelorus Trust Run & Walk - Hikoikoi Reserve, Petone, Lower Hutt, Sunday, 25 November. To register online visit www.hvmc.org.nz.

Festival Singers - Invite you to a Singalong concert of Handel's Messiah, Sunday 2 December, 7pm, Wesley Methodist Church, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington. \$20 per ticket. For more information visit www.festivalsingers.wordpress.com

Waikawa Beach Holiday Home - available for rent during the holidays. We have a 3 bd house, which is fully fenced, canoes for the river, and pet friendly. A fantastic wide beach with the choice of beach or river swimming. Huge sand hills to climb and explore. Otaki shops are only 12 minutes away to the South and Levin is 15 minutes to the North. Contact Karleen Wilkins on 021 266 9589 or 566 6312 for rates and availability.

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