



Kia Ora koutou Boulcott Whanau,

We are heading into the final few weeks of the 2018 school year! Term 4 is certainly flying by with the next few weeks fairly action packed with exciting learning events and opportunities to celebrate the learning from the past year.

All of the teams have either started or about to start their Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) programmes. Hopefully the weather will come to the party for us over the next couple of weeks so we can actually get out and enjoy the exciting opportunities planned! As always, we will endeavour to communicate with you all as promptly as possible if there is any change to plans. On behalf of all the staff and children, we thank all the parents and caregivers that have offered to give up their time to support these events - we can't do it without you!

As the year draws to a close, there will be several events that we open the doors for our community to share and celebrate with us. Next week is our annual Cushion Concert out on the school field. We will look forward to sharing our festive Christmas carols with you. Bring your picnic dinner along from 5pm on Wednesday, 5 December to join the fun! Our Student Council will be selling lolly bags to fundraise for playground equipment.

On Friday, 7 December we will be holding our end of year Prize Giving. This is a special occasion to celebrate the fantastic year we have all had at school. This is also the time we award our special certificates and cups to individual students throughout the school. Of course, not everyone will receive an award as these prizes recognise the students that have gone above and beyond expectation or have consistently shown an outstanding attitude throughout the year. The teaching staff have been scrutinising these decisions for several weeks now and have put a lot of time and energy into consulting with each other to ensure they have made the right call. Everyone is welcome to attend this special assembly to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our students.

Make sure you check out the school calendar on the website and the important dates below for more information on events happening over the next few weeks.



## EPRO8

Congratulations to Callum, Sam, Elliott and Thadius who placed 2nd in the Wellington semi-finals of EPRO8 last week. This means they qualify for the grand-final next Tuesday - we wish them the best of luck!



A big thank you to:

- Daniel Tye who donated paper and cardboard to be used across the school.

**Lost Property** - Please check the lost property cupboard, which is overflowing, by the hall before the end of the term. Any clothing not collected will be sold at next year's Gala.

**School Lunches** - The last day for ordering Pita Pit lunch will be Friday, 7 December and Thai lunches, Wednesday, 12 December.

### Expressions of Interest – BOT Treasurer role

As part of the Board of Trustees strategy to ensure continuity of one of our most crucial roles through succession planning, we are seeking Expressions of Interest in the position of Board Treasurer. Boulcott School have been extremely fortunate to have had such highly skilled and talented Treasurers on recent Boards, and they have left a legacy of ensuring our school has had fantastic financial governance.

With Board elections next year and our current Treasurer not standing for re-election, we are seeking to co-opt onto the Board a Treasurer prior to the elections to ensure a smooth and seamless transition. As a co-opted Board member, you would be involved in the critical hand over of duties from our current Treasurer, and be part of a great team leading the direction of Boulcott School.

The Treasurer performs an important role on the Board. They have access to the school's accounts and financial reporting tools, which makes the position one of high trust. The Treasurer needs to have an accounting background, be a team player and a good communicator – it is their role to communicate to the rest of the Board the financial position of the school as they see it. The Board looks to the Treasurer to advise on the school's financing strategy.

If this role sounds like you, and you would like more information, including a more detailed position description, please contact feel free to contact us at [BOT@boulcott.school.nz](mailto:BOT@boulcott.school.nz)

### CHICKEN POX

Chicken pox are doing the rounds in some of our Junior classes. Common symptoms of chickenpox are:

- Fatigue
- Fever
- Loss of appetite
- Headache
- Itching

Followed by a

- red rash and itchy blisters

Please keep your child home for a week after the rash starts and the final crop of blisters has scabbed. Ensure your child gets lots of rest and fluids and tries not to itch their skin. Calamine lotion or a cool bath will help chicken pox become less itchy. If the chicken pox get worse please consult a doctor for advice.



## **SPORT @ BOULCOTT**

**Athletics results** - Congratulations to the following students who placed in the Top 3 in their events at the recent CentralZone Athletics competition. We had some amazing results. Thank you to the awesome parent helpers on the day - we couldn't have done this without your support.

### **Year 4 Girls**

Ellie - 1st 60m sprint, 1st 100m sprint, 1st long jump

Bella - 3rd long jump

Stella - 2nd vortex

Madilyn - 3rd vortex

1st place Relay Team - Ellie, Stella, Bella, Madilyn and Suri

### **Year 4 Boys**

Thomas - 1st 60m sprint, 1st 100m sprint, 1st long jump, 2nd high jump

Taine - 3rd long jump

Issachar - 3rd quoit throw

Harry - 2nd vortex

1st place Relay Team - Thomas, Tyler, Logan, Adam and Toby

### **Year 5 Girls**

Acacia - 1st long jump, 2nd high jump, 1st quoit throw

Hollie - 1st 80m sprint, 3rd 150m sprint

Miley - 2nd 80m sprint, 1st 150m sprint

1st place Relay Team - Hollie, Miley, Acacia and Judy

### **Year 5 Boys**

Vince - 3rd 800m

Jet - 3rd high jump, 2nd vortex

Wairangi - 2nd quoit throw

Alex - 2nd high jump

First place Relay Team - Cooper, Wairangi, Oska and Alex

### **Year 6 Girls**

Skylah - 2nd= long jump

Sophie - 2nd high jump

2nd place Relay Team - Isla, Charlotte, Lynmari and Sophie

### **Year 6 Boys**

Fin - 1st 800m, 3rd quoit throw

Asher - 1st vortex

### **Tennis Coaching - Term 1 2019**

Places are available in this programme for students from Year 2 - 6 on Mondays after school from 3:10pm - 3:50pm starting Monday, 11 February 2019, for 6 consecutive weeks. The coach will be Gary Nelson, an experienced and qualified tennis coach. All equipment is provided and the cost of \$50 is paid on the first lesson. To enrol please phone Gary Nelson on 589 7178.



# 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, 23 Nov:	Teacher Award	Student Award
Room 5a	Mason	Nathaniel
Room 5	Abigail K	Toby
Room 6	Melody	Violet
	Jasmin	
Room 7	Olive	Ryan
Room 8	Hollie	Ashton
Room 9	Riley	Nico
	Stella	
Room 10	Mustafa	Aaliya
Room 11	Tamati	Lily
	Scarlett	Te Whairua
Room 12	Ella D	Jada
Room 13	Bella	Abbie
Room 14	Louis	Amelia
Room 15	Bronte	Frances
Room 1	Samu	James
		Liam
Room 2	Kezia	Sam
Room 3	Thomas	Thadius
Room 4	Molly	Poppy



If you've traveled down the main corridor of the school you would have noticed a huge sign-up board for our upcoming Summer Gala. In order for the Gala to be a success, we need your help on the day. This may involve setting up, assistance in running a stall, or packing up afterwards. Please take the time to check out the board to see what assistance you can provide. Thank you to everyone who has signed up already!



## **LIBRARY**

**Stocktake** - Our annual library stocktake commences on Friday, 30 November. The library will close on Thursday, 29 November to prepare for this. Please return any library books that you have at home. On completion of the stocktake any outstanding library books issued to students will be invoiced for.

## **SAFETY**

If you are entering our school grounds please close the gates behind you to ensure students' safety at school.

## **HOME AND SCHOOL**

Ice blocks Fridays - \$1 under the shade sail on Fridays after school.

## **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

<b>Important Dates for Term 4</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
29 November	Seniors EOTC - Remutaka Forest Park, InterZone Athletics (athletics has since been cancelled)
30 November	Junior Athletics
3 December	Middle School at McKenzie Pool
4 December	Road Patrol Party Regional Athletics Juniors at Aotea Lagoon
5 December	Cushion Concert 5pm Year 6 Trip to Eastbourne
6 December	Juniors River Walk
7 December	Prize Giving Assembly
10 December	Board of Trustees Meeting
11 December	Avalon Park - Whole school EOTC
12 December	Year 6 Evening
13 December	Meet 2019 Teacher & Class lists, reports go home
14 December	Leavers Assembly Final day of 2018! School finishes at 1pm

Nga mihi nui  
Stu Devenport  
**Principal**

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Summer Reading Challenge** - For ages 13-113. Explore, read, and relax with Hutt City Libraries over summer. Grab a explore, read, relax, challenge card at any Hutt City Library from 1 December. Drop your finished card off at your local library before 2 February 2019 to go in the draw to win JOJO reusable cups (with coffee). Visit [library.huttcity.govt.nz/explorereadrelax](http://library.huttcity.govt.nz/explorereadrelax) for more information.

**Intro to Model Making** - War Memorial Library, Friday 7 & 14 December from 4pm - 6pm. For ages 13-20. Learn how to assemble and paint a Warhammer model. For bookings go to [LibrariesEvents@huttcity.govt.nz](mailto:LibrariesEvents@huttcity.govt.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](http://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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