



Kia ora koutou, We have definitely started to see a change in temperature as we move

into the autumn months. I have thoroughly enjoyed spending time in the classrooms over the past couple of weeks - it is always a pleasure dipping in from class to class to see the great learning taking place. There is a real hum of brains ticking away and rich conversation happening.

Reviewing our recent newsletter publications, I realised I have not officially congratulated our newly appointed House Captains for 2019! Well done to the following students who will be leading their Houses for the rest of the year.

Kea: Phoebe & Jay Kakapo: Lucy & Poppy Tui: Kijiana & Holly Pukeko: Maddy & Vince

We know you've already been working hard creating new chants for your Houses. We look forward to seeing you be sound role models for all students through continuing to demonstrate CHEER values in everything you do.

Thank you to the parents who attended our Netsafe parent evening last week. It was an informative session with Anji who shared some useful tips to managing online behaviour with children. For people who didn't manage to get to the evening, check out this useful presentation from Netsafe.

Anji also provided some professional development to the teaching staff, focusing on the safe online practise in the classroom with students. She also encouraged us to look at our current procedures on sharing student information and photos online. A useful reminder that on your child's enrolment form to school, you have indicated if you give permission for photos of your child to be published online. If you wish to change these details at any time, please contact the school office so we can update your records.

Thank you also to the parents who provided feedback for our Gala Reflection Survey. The Gala Team had their final 'debrief' meeting during the week and the information received was incredibly appreciated for forming a plan for potential galas in the future. We do still have a number of chilli bins, gas bottles and marguees at school that belong to Boulcott families. If they could be collected by the end of the week it would really be appreciated.

#### PB4L - Positive Learning for Behaviour

We are really excited to have started our journey with PB4L across the school. PB4L School-Wide looks at behaviour and learning from a whole-of-school as well as an individual child perspective. The framework is based on international evidence.



The Positive Behaviour for Learning School-Wide framework, otherwise known as PB4L School-Wide, is helping New Zealand schools build a culture where positive behaviour and learning is a way of life. The framework allows us at Boulcott School to tailor the programme to suit our own environment and cultural needs. It's not about changing the students; it's about changing the environment, systems and practices you have in place to support them to make positive behaviour choices.

This year we have established a working group of staff members to lead us through the first year of PB4L. This team consists of Jodi Mitchell, Karen Henry, Leigh McGregor, Corrina Rayson, Luke Dentice and Craig O'Connell.

PB4L School-Wide takes at least 3-5 years to put in place. Over this time, schools should see:

- incidents of problem behaviours decline
- the behaviour of students improve
- teachers spending more time teaching
- students more engaged and achieving.

PB4L School-Wide takes the approach that opportunities for learning and achievement increase if:

- the school environment is positive and supportive
- expectations are consistently clear
- students are consistently taught desired behaviours

• students are consistently acknowledged for desired behaviours and undesirable behaviours are responded to in a fair and equitable way.

We will be sharing more information about this initiative throughout the year in our newsletters and other communications. If you would like to know more about PB4L, check out this <u>useful video</u> which has stories from other schools that have implemented the framework.



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#### <u>RIPPA RUGBY</u>

We had a large group of students attend the Lower Hutt Central Zone Rippa Rugby tournament yesterday at Hutt Park. Congratulations to all the students involved, particularly our Year 3 and 4 team Boulcott Dragons, who have qualified for the Interzone event later in the month. A big thank you to the parents who helped out with coaching and managing our teams on the day.



#### YEAR 5 & 6 CRICKET

Our Year 5 and 6 boys Cricket team had another match against Maungaraki School on Tuesday. Maungaraki took out the match 135 runs to 69. A big thank you to Amy Sidford who coached the boys over the past two matches, your time and effort is very much appreciated!

**Weetbix Tryathlon** - Good luck to those students who are competing in the Weetbix Tryathlon tomorrow. If your child is participating in this event please phone or email the office to advise of their absence on 566 3058 or info@boulcott.school.nz.

#### **TEACHER PAID UNION MEETINGS**



As notified in our last newsletter, teachers will be attending Paid Union Meetings next week. To ensure the school remains open for instruction, Boulcott School teachers will be attending these meetings on two seperate afternoons on Tuesday, 19 and Thursday, 21 March. This will ensure disruption to the classroom programme is minimised.

The Government has provided a new offer at the end of last week so teachers across the country will be voting to accept or reject this offer. They will also be voting on continued industrial action which could mean a further strike day on 3rd April (The same day as secondary school teachers). This of course means, Boulcott School may be closed for instruction on this day. We will keep you posted with further information as it comes to hand.

#### HEAD LICE

There have been a number of cases of head lice around the school. It is very important if your child has head lice that they are treated to prevent them spreading to other students. There are a number of treatments available on the market. A Ryobi comb is recommended and chemical treatments such as Prioderm or homeopathic remedies such as "Mr Nits" and "Electric Blue," which are available at pharmacies. An information sheet "Head Lice - the facts and prevention" is also available at the office. As well as the hair treatment, you may have to wash or replace your child's hat and pillowcase as that is a common reason for re-infestation. It is advisable for long hair to be tied up at school, as this helps to stop the nits from spreading. Please continue to check heads so that there is not a re-infestation.

#### WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following student and their family to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have you join us at Boulcott: Year 2: Sim

# 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.

Friday, 8 Mar:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	Georgia	Lilli Faith
Room 7	Amy	Harlan
Room 8	Addi	Chloe
Room 9	Tala	Leo
Room 10	Jasmin	Preston
Room 12	Eva	Dana
Room 13	Brandon	Jyotika
Room 14	Sophie	William
Room 15	Hannah	Lily
Room 1	Aiden	Lucy
Room 2	Anya	Lindsey
Room 3	Jackson	Hosanna
Room 4	April	Abbie
Room 5	Jay	Phoebe



### <u>LIBRARY</u>

**The Big Read** - A large number of our students participated in 'The Big Read', run by Hutt City Libraries over the summer break.

Students receive either a:

Bronze certificate for reading 2 books and completing a task

Gold certificate for reading 4 more books and completing 1 more task

Platinum certificate for reading 10 more books and completing 2 more tasks.

Congratulations to the following students who kept up their reading over the holidays and received their 'Big Read' certificate:

Bronze - Abigail

Gold - William, Gene, Tala and Ashton

Platinum - Scarlett, Sophie F, Lucy W, Maddison L, Maddison R, Jasmin, Issy, Jacob, Jake, Emily, Emma, Frances, Bishr, Carter, Cassidy, Dana, Ashlee, Alexander, Tamati, Lucy H and Ben.

Nga mihi nui Stu Devenport **Principal** 

Important Dates for Term 1	
Date	Event
14 Mar	Weetbix Tryathlon
18 Mar	Year 3&4 Swimming Starts
19 Mar	Teacher Paid Union Meeting
20 Mar	Junior School Arts Festival Trip
21 Mar	Teacher Paid Union Meeting
22 Mar	Assembly 2:10pm
27 - 29 Mar	Year 5&6 El Rancho Camp
5 Apr	Swimming Sports (Year 5-6)
8 Apr	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
12 Apr	Assembly Last day of Term 1 (3pm)



#### Community Notices:

**Chilton St James School, School Production** - C S J to Broadway, Little Theatre, Lower Hutt, Tuesday, 9 and Wednesday, 10 April. Tickets, \$10 Matinee, \$25 Adult/\$15 Concession. For more information go to <u>www.eventbrite.co.nz</u>.

**Night Disco** - Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club, 4A Railway Avenue, Saturday, 30 March from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Come as your favourite Character. Entry \$10 with skate and blade hire free. For more information go to <a href="http://www.facebook.com/upperhuttrollerskatingclub">www.facebook.com/upperhuttrollerskatingclub</a>, email <a href="https://www.facebook.com/upperhuttrollerskatingclub">skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz</a> or phone 022 682 4517.

**Piano Lessons** - In our piano lessons we build skills, one step at a time and at the child's own pace to ensure comfort in playing and to enable the development of beautiful tone. I guide parents in supporting their child's practice at home and together we create an environment with encouragement and patience in which every child can learn and enjoy music. For more information please contact Ingrid Palmer on 577 0885 or email <u>ikpalmer@yahoo.com</u>.

**Plunket Fun Run/Walk** - Saturday, 13 April, Rimutaka Rail Trail, Upper Hutt. An event for all ages and fitness levels with a 3km, 5km, 10km or 24km walk or run. To register to to <u>www.funrun.plunket.org.nz</u>.

**Samuel Marsden Collegiate School Whitby Open Day** - For students going into Year 7 in 2020. Wednesday, 20 March, any time between 10am and 2pm. Enrolments and Academic Scholarship applications are now available online for 2020. Any questions please phone Lorraine Rose on 04 234 1070.

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