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Boulcott

Wednesday 4 March 2020
Term 1 Week 5



Broadcast



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What an awesome time at school last weekend! It was great to have the sun come out for our Camp Out and it was wonderful to see a huge crowd of campers or people just wanting to join in the fun! It was a wonderful community atmosphere and great to see loads of people making new connections with each other. A huge thank you to our hard-working Home and School team for making the event so memorable and special for young and old. (Hopefully all the campers managed to get a good night sleep, or if not, are slowly catching up now it's midweek!)



We are now in the third week of our swimming programme at Huia Pool. This week our Junior and Senior teams are swimming together. It has been wonderful to hear the positive feedback from teachers and pool staff on the progress and behaviour of our Boulcott tamariki while they are at the pool.



Over the past couple of weeks the students and teachers in our Senior team have been focusing on selecting our student leaders for the year. In 2020, we are continuing to expand the range of leadership opportunities that are on offer for our Senior students. From House Captains, Greenie Leaders, Sports Ambassadors, Assembly Hosts and lots more, we are endeavouring to cater for the wide range of skills, interests and strengths our Boulcott students have. We have been overwhelmed with the sheer number of students that have applied for the various roles on offer - their enthusiasm and commitment is a real credit to themselves and the school.

Congratulations to our new House Captains for 2020! This was a rigorous process that involved students stepping outside their comfort zone to apply for the position, promote themselves throughout the school and within their Houses. All the Boulcott students then had the opportunity to vote for their preferred candidate to lead their House for the year ahead. Once again, we had a large amount of Year 6's that put themselves forward for these positions - with Kea House having over 10 candidates!! In the end there could only be two chosen from each House:





Karina & Bella

Tyler & Bronte

April & Logan

Thomas & Alana

Congratulations once again to these 8 talented students. I know you will all lead your Houses with confidence and enthusiasm throughout the year ahead!

TOUCH RUGBY

The Touch Rugby season is now well underway. It is great to see the students putting in the extra mahi with training either before or after school or during lunchtimes. Once again, THANK YOU to all the parents and caregivers who have taken up the roles as Coach and/or Manager for a team - we simply can't do it without you all!



Movin'March is underway at Boulcott School! This initiative is all about thinking of active ways to travel to and from school. There are loads of ways you and your child can win cool prizes!

WOW passport

Every day we will stamp the walk and wheel trips your tamariki take to OR from school over March. All entries will go in the draw to win one of 12 x \$400 AVANTI vouchers. [More information on WOW](#) from the [Movin'March](#) website.

Parents also win

Snap a photo of your family's journey to school during Movin'March and win. It might highlight a small adventure or wonder discovered along the way, or simply capture a moment in your journey. Post your photo publicly on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) with [#movinmarch](#). All entries will go in the daily draw to win a family pass to a fun destination in the Wellington region. Don't forget to post on Friday when Jack does his draw of his favourite photo when participants go in the draw to win a child's [Sprite Micro scooter](#) RRP \$189.95. T&C's are [here](#).

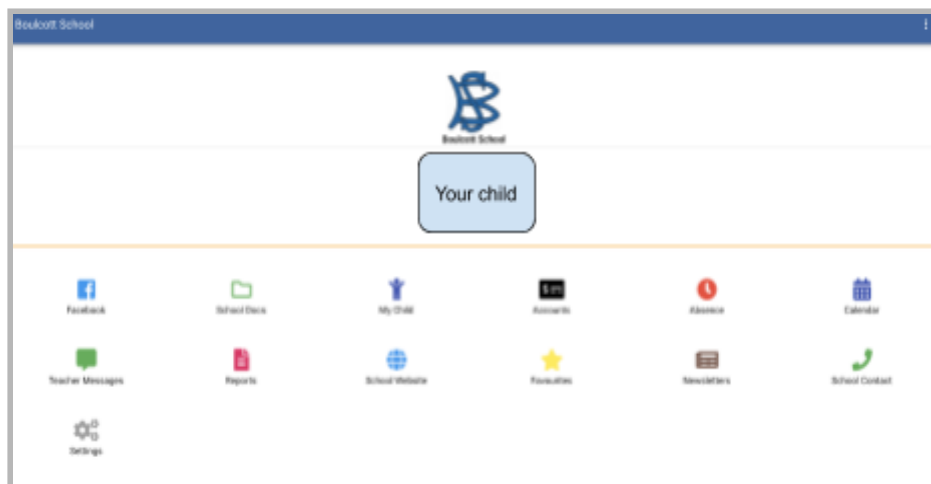
Boulcott School will hold a [WOW Family Day](#) on Thursday, 19 March where we invite all families to walk or wheel – even if it's just for one day. Give it a go on WOW Family Day and be part of our celebration! Keep a look out for further information on this soon!

We encourage you to 'Park and Stride' during Movin' March. Why not park away from the school gate and walk or scoot the rest of the way with your tamariki? It's a great way to spend time together and avoid parking hassles and congestion. Plus it means our entrance is safer for those walking and

'wheeling' to school. Our school recommends parking on Ariki Street by the Walking Pou, High Street or Fry Street.

BOULCOTT SCHOOL PARENT APP IS COMING!

After a long process, we are finally ready to share our new Parent App with you. Information on how to access this app will be shared in an email later on this week. You will be required to download the app from Google Play or the Apple Store then enter your unique ID and password (you'll only have to do this once), so it is important you follow the instructions carefully in the email. We hope the app will provide another useful platform to connect between home and school. The goal is to have the majority of our communication from school sent through this app, so we are asking every family to download this app so you are fully informed. We appreciate it will take a while to have everyone connected, so we will continue with our other communication streams over the immediate future. Below is a little taste of what it offers:



THANKS AGAIN!

We are continuing to receive some voluntary parent donations from Boulcott whanau over the past month. Although we will not be asking for donations this year, we will always graciously receive any that come our way!

Thanks also to the Wallace family, who donated a marble run to be used in the Junior school.

COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

During the weekend there has been much media coverage on this topic.

You may be wondering what Boulcott School is doing to plan and prepare for an event like this. The Ministries of Education and Health have been providing excellent communication to school principals on this issue for the last few weeks.

If you have checked our Pandemic Planning Policy on-line (School Docs) you will have seen that school specific content is no longer there. Instead we will follow the daily updates from the Ministry of Education and Health.

Here is the current advice to us all:

- Everybody should follow the following basic principles to reduce the risk of getting an acute respiratory infection or passing it on to others:
- Regularly washing hands (for at least 20 seconds with warm water and soap and dry thoroughly).
- Covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze.
- Staying home if you are sick.
- Avoiding close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- If you feel unwell you should avoid public gatherings and events.



Here at school, we are reminding students about the importance of the points above too. We are also increasing the cleaning of our high-use areas.

Here are two links for those who wish to read more.

Ministry of Education

<http://www.education.govt.nz/.../novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/...>

Ministry of Health

<https://www.health.govt.nz/.../dis.../covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

EMERGENCY FOOD PACKS

Thank you to those families that have returned their child's emergency food packs. In order to be prepared for an emergency, we would like every child to bring an ice-cream container packed with food items ie spaghetti/baked beans, small tin of fruit, muesli bars, barley sugars etc. Please avoid items containing nuts due to allergies. We would appreciate it if you could return your containers to the school before the end of this term, last day being Thursday, 9 April. Please ensure the containers have your child's name, room and House colour clearly labelled.



WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following students and families to Boulcott School. It is wonderful to have you join us at Boulcott:

Year 1: Keira-Leigh, Jonty and Virika

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, 28 Feb:	Teacher	Student
Room 6	MacKenzie	Urja
Room 7	James W	Amelia
Room 8	Daniel Mia	
Room 11	Max R	Brigade
Room 12	Georgia	Greta
Room 13	Kaleb	Zac
Room 14	Ethan L	Abigail
Room 15	Oliver	Addi T
Room 16	Charlie	Freddie
Room 1	Cordelia	Francesco
Room 2	Brandon	Hugo
Room 3	Brayden	Thomas S
Room 4	Issy H	Lawrence
Room 5	Joshua Y	Ashleigh



Nga mihi nui
Stu Devenport
Principal

Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Wed 5th Feb – Thu 9th Apr

Term 2: Tue 28th Apr – Fri 3rd Jul

Term 3: Mon 20th Jul – Fri 25th Sep

Term 4: Mon 12th Oct – Thu 17th Dec

Additional Holidays:

ANZAC Day: Monday, 27 April (Mondayised)

Queen's Birthday: Monday, 1 June

Teacher Only Day: Tuesday, 2 June

Labour Day: Monday, 26 October

Teacher Only Day: Tuesday, 27 October



EVENTS	
MAR 2 Mon	Juniors and Seniors swimming Mar 2 – Mar 5 (all-day)
MAR 9 Mon	Junior and Senior Swimming Mar 9 – Mar 11 (all-day)
	BoT Meeting Mar 9 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
MAR 12 Thu	Weetbix Triathlon Mar 12 (all-day)
MAR 13 Fri	Junior and Senior Swimming Mar 13 (all-day)
	Assembly Mar 13 @ 2:15 pm – 2:45 pm
MAR 19 Thu	WOW Movin' March Day Mar 19 (all-day)
MAR 27 Fri	Assembly Mar 27 @ 2:15 pm – 2:45 pm
MAR 30 Mon	Swimming Sports – Huia Pool (Year 5-6) Mar 30 @ 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
APR 6 Mon	BoT Meeting Apr 6 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
APR 9 Thu	Last day of Term 1 Apr 9 (all-day)

Hi everyone, we hope your school year is off to a great start now that everybody has settled into their new classes. The Board of Trustees held its first meeting on 17 February and we have our second meeting next Monday night 9 March, 7pm in the staffroom. As always, we invite anyone from the school community to attend.

Our first piece of great news for Term one is that Pania Dewes and Shaun Richardson have both agreed to stay on as Trustees until the end of the Board term in mid 2022. Pania and Shaun were co-opted following last year's election on a short-term basis to undertake projects on behalf of the Board. We are very pleased to extend their co-opted positions, which will allow them to continue sharing their skills and experience and benefiting the school community.

At our February meeting we reviewed the proposed School Charter & Strategic Plan for 2020. As Principal, Stu Devenport updates the Charter document and Strategic Plan at the beginning of each year to reflect the goals and pathway of the school. The Charter outlines the vision of the school, its values and how it plans to deliver high quality education to all students. It is a key document for our school and is available through the school website - [here is a link](#) if you'd like to take a look.

Each term the Board of Trustees also reviews several of the school's policies and procedures. This term we are working through *Recognition of Cultural Diversity*, *Staff Leave* and *Separated Parents, Day-to-Day Care, and Guardianship* – you can find a link to the SchoolDocs site, where all of Boulcott School's policies and procedures are located, through the school website [here](#). We would love to hear any thoughts or feedback you have on them too – you can email us at BOT@boulcott.school.nz.

HOME AND SCHOOL

We are selling Entertainment Memberships again this year, with 20% of all sales being credited back to us. It's a great way to support the school, while being able to treat yourself as well!

The new Entertainment Memberships start anytime and are valid for 12 months from activation. Only Digital memberships are now available as Entertainment books no longer offer paper hardcopies.

If you're planning to travel outside of Wellington this year, you may want to consider a Multi-city membership (for an extra \$50) which you can use in NZ, Australia and Bali.

You can get more information and order your membership via the link below:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10412m4>

Please contact Mel Young on 027 6555833 if you have any questions.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

French Lessons at Boulcott School - Fun French for kids at Boulcott School on Thursdays at 3:20pm. Children speak French from the first lesson. Lessons are based on interactive activities, role play, crafts, active games and music. Free trial lesson. After that \$14.50 per 50 minute lesson, plus a membership starter pack of materials to use at home. To register contact Stefi on stefi@lcclubs.co.nz or 021 178 2099. Visit the website www.lcclubs.co.nz.

Homegrown Kids - We are a Home-based Childcare service looking to recruit Home Educators in your area. Homegrown Kids provides in-home childcare for children from birth to 6 years old. We often get childcare enquiries and are unable to support these families due to a shortage of Home Educators working in the area. For more information contact Kristan Currington on 027 403 0255 or 0508 444 437, email kristan@hgk.co.nz or visit our website homegrownkids.co.nz.

An Evening with Nathan Wallis - Nathan Wallis, New Zealand's favourite Neuroscience Educator (and host of the documentary "All in the Mind", and co-host of the TV Series "The Secret life of Girls") is coming to Lower Hutt for two of his sell-out talks about brain development from childhood to adulthood. He will be at Eastern Hutt school on Wed 18 March and Thurs 19 March 2020 - 7:30-9:00pm

Nathan's talks are very popular with parents, teachers, coaches, leaders and anyone else who is interested in learning about the workings of the brain. Nathan has a profound reputation as a lively and engaging speaker. He uses humour and plain language to condense 25 years of neuroscience research into his unique 'tell you how it is' style. You'll be absolutely captivated and walk away jam-packed with more than a few "ah-ha" moments.

Please find attached details of Nathan's upcoming presentations. More information can be found by following these links

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/understand-your-brain-wellington/lower-hutt>

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/teen-brain-wellington/lower-hutt>



Teen Brain
Navigating those tricky years with your adolescent

Eastern Hutt School - Wellington
Thurs 19 March 2020 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm
Tickets at eventfinda.co.nz

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After School Care (Early Pick Up)	3pm to 4.30pm	\$13	\$15
Before School Care (Full Session)	7am to 8.30am	\$11	\$13
Before School Care (Late drop off)	7.30am to 8.30am	\$9	\$11
Combined weekly rate for Before (7-8.30 AM) & After (3-6 PM) School Care - \$120 per week			

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