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## **Boulcott School**

# **Newsletter - Term 2 Week 4**



# **Boulcott School: Mural Unveiling**

Thursday 23 May 2024 Kia ora koutou, Guten tag, Bula, Nǐ hǎo, Mingalaba, Namaste, Greetings, Sàwàtdee, Hallo, Assalām 'alaykum, Min-ga-la-ba, nín hǎo, Néih hóu, Konnichiwa, Chôm rab suôr, Tālofa, Hola!, Kumusta, Vaṇakkam, Mālō e lelei, Bonjour, Kia orana, Xin chào

On Friday, as well as celebrating anti-bullying, Pink Shirt Day, we also had our grand '**Mural Unveiling**'. In the picture above is Amy Burrell, our Mural Artist who worked with a group of

students from across the school to create this stunning mural.

We were thrilled to be one the schools selected to receive \$15,000 to use for creating a large mural. Brigit Scahill liaised with local artist Amy Burrell who is skilled in working with tamariki in schools on this kind of project. The theme of the mural project is the whakatauki '*Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua'*-I walk backwards into the future with my eyes fixed on my past.

As our school is located near the site of the 'Boulcott Farm' event, one of the significant battles from the New Zealand Wars, the twenty children in Years 3-6 have been learning about the history of our local area, and the impact this event potentially still has today. They participated in the creative process, unpacking the project brief, seeking feedback and adapting as the project concept was developed and presented. The Deputy Mayor, Tui Lewis has also visited the group to discuss the monument located on Military Road, and the work which the Council has already started -researching and building relationships with Mana Whenua to look at potential enhancements or changes. The other themes being researched included: Te Awa Kairangi and its impact on the Hutt Valley, the immigration of Chinese gardeners and their significant influence growing and supplying fresh fruit and vegetables in the Boulcott/Avalon area, and how today Hutt Hospital is a major Hutt Valley employer, which encourages diversity in our community as more people immigrate here. All these themes have been captured in our stunning mural which can be found on the wall beside Room 15.

Last week at school we also celebrated '**Support Staff Week'**, where staff and students alike acknowledged and appreciated the hard work of our Learning Support Staff, Admin Team and Caretaker. Cards were made, songs were sung and goodies were given. We really are so fortunate to have such a dedicated team of staff who work with our tamariki.

Earlier this week all of our staff attended an amazing talk given by **neuroscience expert, Kathryn Berkett** on *Managing Behaviour & why we are seeing increasingly challenging behaviour*. Many of our parents also attended a community evening on *Raising Resilience in Children*. I have had a lot of feedback on how engaging and informative the evening was.

Our **Seussical** production rehearsals are now in full swing, with both choreography and singing practices occurring over 3 lunchtimes a week. Our dedicated producer and director Georgia Jamieson Emms has told me that the 52 students involved in the show have been turning up on time and with great enthusiasm - fabulous to hear!! The students now know exactly which part they are playing and some of them are really excited to have costume changes throughout the show.

Finally just a reminder about appropriate clothing for school. We ask that children do not come to school in either 'Onesies' or 'Oodies' or 'Dress-up costumes'. These are definitely clothing for at home as they distract children from their learning - which is of course the whole point of school. Thanks for your support with this. I hope this school rule supports you in your parenting, ie telling children that the school rule is you can't wear...oodies / onesies / or dress-ups.

Have a fabulous week everyone

Kia pai tō rā

Rachael and the team @ Boulcott



# Wiki tuarima - Week 5

#### Wiki tuawhā and tuarima

Week 4 & 5

Wiki tuawhā - week 4



#### and Respect.

Room 1: Sam, Jonty

Room 2: Bella, Crystal

Room 3: Hoang, Lucy

Room 4: Eden, Emily

Room 5: Joshua, River

Room 6: Lily, Annabella

Room 7: Maggie, Marlo

Room 8: Emily, Hardit

Room 9: Kobe, Lorenzo

Room 11: Tia, Paora

Room 12: Lucia, Oliver

Room 14: Milena, Ahren

Room 15: Lailia, Mandy

Room 16: Lenny, Lucas

#### **Cheer Awards 2024**

Term 2 Week 3

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



# **Events and Important Dates coming up**

Term 2

Wed, 29 May - Assembly 2:20pm in the hall

Fri, 31 May - Teacher Only Day - School Closed

Mon, 3 June - King's Birthday - School Closed

Mon, 10 June - Kōwhai Trip to St Oran's (Drama performance)

**Tue, 11 June** - Inter-Zone Cross Country (pp Thur, 13 June)

Wed, 12 June - Assembly 2:20pm in the hall

Friday, 14 June - School Disco at Knox Church Hall

Wed, 26 June - Assembly 2:20pm in the hall

Thur, 27 June - Matariki Celebration

Fri, 28 June - Matariki Holiday - School Closed

Tue, 2 July - HuttFest Performance 3pm at the Walter Nash Stadium

Fri, 5 July - Mid-year reports go home. Term 2 finishes at 3pm.



#### **Sports News**

Term 2 Week 4

#### **Central Zone Cross Country**

Unfortunately the Central Zone Cross Country was postponed on Tuesday, 21 May due to the weather.

This event will now take place on Thursday, 23 May.

Watch out in the next newsletter for results, photos and see who progresses through to the Interzone on Tuesday, 11 June.

Good luck to all the Boulcott students in this event.

#### **Sporting Opportunities in Term 3**

#### Water Polo Year 5 & 6

An email went out this week to the parents of all Year 5 & 6 students for them to be able to register for water polo in Term 3.

This takes place on Wednesday afternoons at Stokes Valley Pool, with games from 24 July - 25 September and games played between 4pm - 6pm.

Please complete the google form if your child is interested. **Registrations close on Friday, 7 June** 

Google Form: <a href="https://forms.gle/RH9UYMXg4BCdNLe26">https://forms.gle/RH9UYMXg4BCdNLe26</a>

#### Basketball Year 1 - 6 Term 3

An email went out to parents for students from Year 1 - 6 who wish to register to play basketball at Walter Nash Stadium for Term 3.

Year 1 & 2 play on Friday afternoons/evening

Year 3 & 4 play on Monday afternoons/evening

Year 5 & 6 play on Thursday afternoon/evening.

Google form: https://forms.gle/k68DzabTGfyoRMR16



#### **Home & School Committee**

School Disco - Friday, 14 June and Family Pie Fundraiser Information

Hi Everyone,

The School Disco will be held on Friday, 14 June at Knox Church, 574 High Street, Lower Hutt.

Please click on the link below for more information and to complete the google form to purchase tickets.

https://forms.gle/QQPKQAygHprRzCYdA

Please complete the form by **3pm Friday**, **7 June**, as no late responses will be accepted.

Tickets are \$5. There will be no physical tickets issued but students will be marked off on arrival.

Disco times as follows:

Harakeke/Juniors 4:30pm-5:30pm

Kōwhai/Middles 5:45pm-6:45pm

Kahikatea/Seniors 7:00pm-8:00pm

Thanks,

The Home & School Committee

#### Family Pie Fundraiser - Your pies will be delivered Thursday 30 May

Thank you to everyone who have supported our pie fundraiser. We have placed an order for a whopping 775 pies!

These will be ready for you to collect from the Cottage (The white building on the senior courts) on **Thursday 30 May from 2.30-4pm**.



#### **Creatives in School Mural**

Our Mural is complete!

On Friday 17 May we held a small ceremony to unveil our new school mural. All of the tamariki involved in the project thoroughly enjoyed researching both our local Boulcott history, along with their own personal arrival story.

Please come and check this new piece of work out, located on the end wall of Room 15.

A big thanks to Whānau Rōpū and the Home and School Committee for all their support.

We would also like to acknowledge Amy Burrell the artist we worked with, she has captured the essence of our inclusive and diverse community so well.



# Senior Boulcott Broadcasters bringing you news from around our school

Our Mural - By Heidi E.

Kahikatea and Kōwhai students have made a mural that represents our school and our local community. They have

been meeting with local artist Amy Burrell and Junior teacher Mrs Scahill to do it. This whole thing started in Term 1 when the teachers told students that a number of children would be doing a mural with an artist. If we wanted to participate we could put our name and room number on the signup sheet. So many students wanted to do the mural which was great, but only 16 students were able to do it. The teachers choose 8 students from each syndicate.

Once we knew who was doing the mural we set to work. The first thing we did was learn about the history of New Zealand. We learnt about wars that had happened and cool events that had happened, though some events were ghastly. After about 7 weeks of history we started thinking about our mural. Amy drew up some draft templates for the mural. The students discussed them and together decided what we liked and what we thought was not so great. So Amy went away with some ideas to juggle about. Over the weekend she made some more solid templates. She showed Mrs Scahill and the students and we started to refine it.

Over a couple of weeks we got our final design. In the centre we had a bugle and a māori taiaha. We sent three of our designs out to the school for them to choose from. Mrs Scahill came to us and told us that some people were put off by the crossing instrument and a weapon. It made it look like the English were peaceful, innocently using their instruments and māori were the problem using violence when that is not what happened. So we changed it to a māori face looking at an English face. This was good because we could paint the emotion on their faces. After that, we went outside where the mural will be. We bought a piece of paper with us so we could write down colours that would suit the environment around us. We got some good colours for our mural and Mrs Scahill said to us that some people would like a tree in the mural because of the fact that Boulcott school used to be a farm. So now we had to incorporate a tree into it. Finally we did it. We had our mural all sorted out and now we just had to do the painting. Over about three weeks we painted it. Amy did some while we were not there so now it looks so amazing and it's time for the mural's great reveal.



### PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our next focus for PB4L is **Confidence : Maia -** Have a go, keep trying - be resilient.

We will be learning how we can:

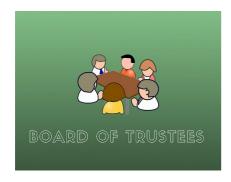
take risks in our learning

- show resilience
- have an "I can" mindset

We will learn about the power of the word 'yet".

The "power of yet" is about having a growth mindset. Instead of saying "I can't do something, say. I can't do it YET."

Show Resilience, Keep trying, Don't give up, Do your best, Make a new plan if something goes wrong, Stand strong, Be proud.



#### **Board News**

**Board Meeting Information** 

The Board met for the third time this year on Tuesday 21 May 2024

We were pleased to welcome Rachael back from her conference trip to Canada and hear about what she had learned and the great connections that she made. The Board decided to fund kapa haka for the whole school (which has already begun) and the He Māori Ahau course, which Whaitiri

Poutawa will deliver in Term 3. Since Whaitiri is also a Board member, he recused himself from the decision, and the remaining board members decided on a protocol to manage potential conflicts of interest.

Ngā mihi nui



#### **School Reminders**

**Making payments to Boulcott School** 

Just a reminder of our school bank account information and where to make payments to:

**Boulcott School Main Account** This is for payments of family donations, camp, EOTC, stationery, sports, trips and shows.

12-3142-0062729-00

email: info@boulcott.school.nz

**Boulcott Home & School Account** This is for all fundraising activities - raffles, discos, movie nights, pie sales, sausage sizzles etc.

12-3478-0056621-00

email: homeschool@boulcott.school.nz

**Whānau Rōpū Account** This is for all fundraising activities for our Whānau Rōpū group - purchasing hoodies etc.

12-3478-0056621-01

Many Thanks

**Boulcott School Office** 



## **Community Notices**

Events and Activities Happening in the Community

School in Action - Hutt Intermediate School -

Hutt Intermediate School welcomes parents/caregivers and Year 6 students to attend guided tours of our school.

These tours allow for authentic experiences showing life at Hutt Intermediate.

Tour dates and times are below:

Monday, 17 June, Tuesday, 18 June and Thursday, 20 June. All welcome between 11:00 – 11:30am – No booking necessary.

See Flyer Below.

#### St Oran's Gala This Friday, 24 May 3pm-7pm

St Oran's is holding its school gala this Friday at 550 High Street, Boulcott Lower Hutt.

There will be craft stalls, food trucks, raffles and much more.

All proceeds go to Ronald McDonald House. See flyer below for more information.

#### Information on New Zealand's Education system and challenges for Tamil Families -

We are an incorporated society and registered charity representing the Tamil community in the Wellington region. Wellington Tamil Society Inc is organising some seminars this year in conjunction with the Ministry of Education for families, particularly new migrants, to better understand New Zealand's education system and dealing with challenges they face in the education of their children.

This is held in their mother language, Tamil, or translated in Tamil, so that they can better understand, and freely ask questions or discuss in their own language.

See flyer below

Information can also be accessed through our facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wellingtontamilsociety">https://www.facebook.com/wellingtontamilsociety</a> or by contacting us at: info@WellingtonTamils.nz

#### Warm up Your Winter Fundraising with Light House Cinema!

We host fundraiser screenings on Sunday – Thursday evenings and with 4 screens to choose from, it's an easy and fun way to raise funds no matter how big or small a club or organisation you have.

We have an upstairs lounge area that can be reserved to mingle in for the hour prior to the screening. We also allow groups to bring along their own kai to share before the film.

There's something for everyone in our line-up. See flyer below.



#### **School Calendar 2024**

#### **Term Dates and Public Holidays 2024**

Term 1: Thursday, 1 February - Friday, 12 April

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

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

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

#### **Public Holidays:**

Monday, 3 June: King's Birthday - School closed

Friday, 28 June: Matariki - School closed

Monday, 28 October: Labour Day - School closed

Please note: Teacher Only Day on Friday, 31 May



# **Yummy 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 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.

\*Newsflash: There is now an addition to the Yummy family - Hailstone Hero apple bags. A wild spring storm hit the Hawkes Bay, damaging a significant amount of the apple crop with hail. Although these look funny, they still taste yummy. The official cut-out is not on these bags, but you can collect the round bar-code sticker as 10 points. These are Yummy apples but branded Hailstone Heroes and available in both New World and Pak'n Saves.

Sticker collection sheets - you can print them from the Yummy Fruit website: <a href="https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/">https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/</a>

We have until the end of Term 3, so let's get munching!



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