



Boulcott School

Newsletter - Term 3 Week 2



Principal's Message: Thursday 1 August, 2024

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Welcome back to Term 3! I trust you all had a relaxing couple of weeks break from regular school routines. I certainly enjoyed the break and headed up to Auckland to visit my parents for the first week of the holidays. The weather was absolutely lovely, so I felt very fortunate.

The term ahead is a very busy and exciting one. We are currently in the middle of Book Week - an annual event where we celebrate our love of all things related to reading. We are having daily quizzes for both staff and students, including a big fairytale character hunt!!

Our book character parade this morning was such fun. With many children and staff members dressed as their favourite book character.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in the school Library from today, Thursday, 1 August until Tuesday, 6 August. The library will be open from 8:30am-9:15am in the morning and from 3pm-4pm in the afternoon, unless it is a Parent Interview night, Thursday, 1 August and Monday, 5 August, where the library will remain open until 6:15pm. This is a great opportunity to buy birthday and Christmas presents. There will be pens and pencils and other small bits and pieces on sale as well. Your child may come home with a wish list after their class has visited the library for a look at what is available. There will be eftpos available and cash will also be accepted. Holding a Book Fair and collecting a percentage of the total sales allows us to purchase more books for the library, so come along and support the Boulcott School Scholastic Book Fair.

Tomorrow morning we welcome our new families in a mihi whakatau celebration beginning at 9:15am in the hall. You are all welcome to attend and meet our new whānau. Light refreshments will be provided after the ceremony.

We are well underway with rehearsals for our amazing "Seussical - The Musical" production. The show will be performed in Week 10 - right at the end of this term at Little Theatre in Lower Hutt on Tuesday 24, Wednesday 25, and Thursday 26 September. So exciting!! I got a sneak preview of the opening number last week and I was very impressed, it actually gave me goosebumps! So look out for further information coming out soon regarding purchasing tickets for friends and family.

Our parent interview afternoons /evenings are happening this afternoon / evening from 3pm to 6pm and Monday from 2 - 5pm. It is great if your child also attends these discussions with you and their teacher, so please bring them along with you if at all possible. I look forward to catching up with many of you, as you come into school this week and next for these chats.

Warm regards

Ngā mihi nui

Rachael and the Boulcott Team



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Please remind your child to leave their bag in their classroom or outside the library before visiting the Book Fair.

Eileen Falconer
Librarian



Seussical Jr Production

Seussical Jr - Save the Date - Tuesday, 24 September-Thursday, 26 September

Our amazing cast have been working hard and excited to put on a fabulous show! This will be held over three nights starting on Tuesday, 24 September to Thursday, 26 September at the Little Theatre.

Come and support them and get ready for a night of fun and entertainment!

Tickets will go on sale in Week 4 (mid Aug).



Harakeke - 100 Days at school

And writing from Room 7

Last Friday, Harakeke students celebrated 100 Days at School. We had a range of fabulous activities throughout the day, such as a 100 Days Smarter crown and fairy bread making.

One highlight was getting into 100 with our bodies on the field and Mr Tyrer flew his drone above us to take a photo. It was so cool to watch the drone fly above us and around our field.

Pieces of writing by Room 7 -

My favourite activity over the 100 days was the drone. I liked it when the drone took photos of us.

By Arlo, Room 7.

My favourite activity was making the fairy bread because we got to eat it.

By Maggie, Room 7.

My favourite activity was going to the disco. I loved it because we got to dance.

By Daisy, Room 7.



Wiki tuarua and Wiki tuatoru

Week 2 and 3

Wiki tuarua - Week 2

Wiki tuatoru - Week 3



PB4L - Positive Behaviour 4 Learning

Our next focus will be on **Feelings and Respect**

We have started this term talking about our feelings. We are learning that:

- Emotions are what we **feel** within us
- Emotions **are not** 'good' or 'bad'
- **Some** emotions may feel uncomfortable
- **All** emotions are important
- It is important to recognise **what is happening to, and in, our bodies**, when we feel different emotions
- We need to find **healthy ways** to express our emotions

We have talked about how our feelings can be sorted into zones - red, blue, yellow, green. We learn best when we are in the Green zone and our bodies are calm and focused.

Our next focus will be on respect - Whakamiha. We will focus on being Kaitiaki - guardians, caring for:

- Our environment
- Our school buildings
- Our equipment and using it safely



Sports News

Regional Cross Country -

On Thursday, 4 July a group of 8 students went to represent Boulcott School at the Regional Cross Country at Queen Elizabeth Park in Raumati.

The day was pretty cold but this didn't stop our students with some outstanding results, including:

Cooper - 1st Year 4 Boys

Eden - 1st Year 5 Girls

Arthur - 14th Year 5 Boys

Emily - 2nd Year 6 Girls

Elyse - 6th Year 6 Girls

Harry - 8th Year 6 Boys

Congratulations to Eden, Emily, Elyse and Harry who made it through to the Inter Regional Team who compete in September.

Congratulations also to Ahren and Pat who ran really well and placed in the top 35 out of 70 students in their age group.

Thank you to the parents who transported and supervised the students throughout the day.

Term 3 Sports

Term 3 sports are underway and good luck to the teams for their games. Remember to keep an eye out for your draw and these can also be found on our school website

<https://www.boulcott.school.nz/sports/>

We would also like to shout out to the parents who have volunteered to help coach or manage these teams. Without your support we wouldn't be able to provide these opportunities to our students. This term we have:

- 2 Year 5 & 6 netball teams
- 6 Basketball Teams Year 1 - 6
- 3 Badminton Teams Year 5 & 6
- 1 Water Polo Team Year 5 & 6

Dodgeball Tournament

This week we sent 20 Year 3 & 4 students and 20 Year 5 & 6 students to the Lower Hutt Primary School Sports Association (LHPSSA) Dodgeball Tournament at Walter Nash. It was a very successful day with the students having heaps of fun.

Thank you to the parents who helped to transport the students to and from the event and to those that helped to supervise the students. We really appreciate your help and support.

Photos and a student report coming in the next newsletter!

LHPSSA Football Tournament

We have the opportunity to send 4 teams to the Lower Hutt Primary School Sports Association Football Tournament coming up in August. Information has been emailed out those families this week. We do require parent help with transport and supporting the students.

This event is a fun event with the focus on participation and experiencing being in a tournament. No scores will be kept.

Sports Registrations Coming Up

Coming up soon will be registrations for Term 4 Sports. We will add a link to our newsletter and also email these out to families. Teams will be confirmed by the end of Term 3. Please remember to register your child if they are interested in participating in the following sports:

- **Netball** - Year 1 - 4 students who play on Saturday mornings at Taita Courts.
- **Touch Rugby** - Year 1 - 6 students who play on a Thursday afternoon at Fraser Park.



Launchpad at Boulcott School

Years 2-6 Friday mornings in Room 13

Just a reminder that this term we are running Launchpad on a **Friday morning from 8:15am -8:45am in Room 13.**

Please note: younger siblings of the Year 2-6 students can also come along now rather than having 2 drop off times for parents.

Please see the links below if you would like more information or to opt-in.

This link <https://launchpad.kiwi/> gives more information about the programme including a two-minute video clip.

It is an opt-in programme so please go to this link

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/15TjkgwQFv1aP4bsK-oTcYGcsabyYdVGI_P9gqk2kvlg/edit?ts=65c2d585 to enable your tamariki to join us.



Events and Important Dates

Coming up!

Thur, 1 Aug - Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews 3-6pm

Fri, 2 Aug - Powhiri for New students 9.15am in the hall

Mon, 5 Aug -Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews 2-5pm

Wed, 7 Aug - Assembly in the hall at 2:20pm

Mon, 12 Aug - Board of Trustees meeting 6pm

Fri, 16 Aug - Bring a can of food or gold coin for Lower Hutt canned food drive

Wed, 21 Aug - Pizza Lunch fundraiser (more details to follow)



Home and School Committee

Come and Join us!

Boulcott School's Home and School Committee is a group of parents and caregivers who work with the school and Whānau Rōpū to organise community events and fundraisers to support our school. We focus on creating events for our tamariki to enjoy, and opportunities to raise funds for school resources and initiatives, to help bridge the gap between the Government funding our school receives.

Some members will be moving on from Boulcott over the next couple of years as their tamariki head to Intermediate, so we're **calling for new members to join!** This is a great

opportunity to ensure your tamariki can continue to enjoy the events they've grown to love, including ice-block Fridays, discos, galas, Avalon Park trip, as well as an opportunity to bring new ideas to life! If you can't commit but still want to lend a hand, we also have a **Friends of Home and School Committee**, who we call on from time to time for extra help.

Please let us know if you're interested in joining, by completing the below Google form.

<https://forms.gle/C6CHqyYqcbjFEBcV8>

Thank you!



Swap a can of food for clothes or books!

Kia ora Boulcott whānau! On Friday, 16 August, the Rōpu Kaitiaki (Student Leadership Group) will hold a Canned Food Drive for the Lower Hutt Food Bank. Bring a can of food (or a gold coin donation) and swap it for one of our old library books or an item of clothing from Boulcott's old sports uniforms.

The Lower Hutt Food Bank is a place where people can go when they can't afford to buy food from the supermarket. At the Food Bank there is a team of workers who put together food boxes. They put essential stuff in the boxes, but they mainly put in canned food! This is where Boulcott School can help. We are doing a can drive for the Lower Hutt Food Bank so that they can keep giving out food to people.

If you bring a can of food to school on Friday, 16 August, you can swap it for a book or old Boulcott School sports uniforms.

Some cans you could bring are:

- Fruit and vegetables
- Fish and meat
- Baked beans or spaghetti

We would really appreciate it if you could bring a can to school on Friday, 16 August.. If you do bring a can to school you can come to get either a book or a sports uniform. We have lots of books and sports uniforms to give out. If you don't have a can to bring, you could bring a gold coin instead. So please bring a can of food, or a gold coin, to school on Friday, 16 August.

By Heidi E.



Community Notices

Events and Activities Happening in the Community

Naenae Intermediate

Open Day on Friday, 9 August 2024. Please see information below:

"Explore Year 7" Information Evening at St Mark's School.

Wednesday, 21 August , 6pm, St Mark's School, Library, 13 Dufferin Street, Basin Reserve, Wellington

This event will provide families with an opportunity to:

- Attend a presentation on our Year 7 & 8 programs.
- Meet our dedicated teachers and current families.
- Ask questions and learn more about what St Mark's School can offer their tamariki in 2025.

This event will be highly beneficial for families as they consider their options for Intermediate education.

We look forward to welcoming them to St Mark's School and showcasing what makes our Year 7 & 8 programs exceptional.

After School Kids Art Programme for children - The Learning Connexion School of Creativity & Art, in the Hutt.

This term we are introducing a new class 'Sensory & Gardening' where our young artists will be cultivating little plants, to sculpting with clay and making slime, this class is all about a hands-on sensory experience.

To find out more about our after school programme please visit our website:

<https://www.tlc.ac.nz/study-with-us/kids-art-holiday-classes/classes-kids/>

Please reach out to huttunitedhockey@gmail.com for any queries.

Find us on our social media accounts below:

<https://www.instagram/huttunitedhockey>

<https://www.facebook.com/huttunitedhockeyclub>

Hey there friends, family and supporters of [Devil's Cut BBQ](#) . We are pleased to announce that we are running a bbq pop up coming up on **Saturday, 3 August**. If you are keen for some yum bbq then follow the Google Docs link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/Xvu9mpLoSjzyLnXF/?mibextid=oFDknk>

Wonderplay

Join the cast of A Midsummer Night's Dream! Wonderplay has places available in its award-winning drama classes on Mondays at Eponi Hall: 3.30pm (New Wonders: intro to drama, 4-8yrs), 4.15pm (Star Players 8-14yrs). First class free to try. Register today www.wonderplay.co.nz



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, 28 October: Labour Day - School closed



School Reminder

Stopping and parking safely near our school

When children arrive or leave school each day, please make sure your driving behaviour is helping to keep them safe. Children and drivers need good visibility around school to be able to see each other. Parking restrictions are in place for this reason. They protect our children against possible injury.

- Please park legally and safely at all times
- Do not exceed P5 or P10 time limits
- Park further away and walk with your child to or from the school gate
- If you need to turn around after dropping off/picking up, find a safe place well away from the school gate
- Always slow down as you approach school or pedestrian crossing

Thank you for your support



Lost Property

Please come and have a look!

Please come and have a look though our lost property. It is kept in the corridor area by Room 8 and 9 . Anything left unclaimed will be donated to charity at the end of each term.

Many Thanks



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