

WELCOME TO BOULCOTT SCHOOL

Tēnā koe,

Thank you for expressing an interest in the position of classroom teacher at Boulcott School in Lower Hutt.

Boulcott School is a highly regarded school in Lower Hutt, with excellent educational results, and students who are eager to learn.

We are on Tier Two of the Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L) program, we are several years into incorporating Structured Literacy into our learning programme, and are privileged to be involved in an Assessment for Learning contract with a focus on implementation of the refreshed curriculum in English and Mathematics.

We have exceptional and committed staff, and there is a strong sense of connection between the school and community. Our tamariki and their whānau have warm relationships with the teachers and support staff and it is a noticeably friendly, caring and supportive environment in which to learn. The concept of tuakana-teina is embedded in the school, with a buddy class system and frequent interaction between syndicates. Our teaching staff also get many opportunities to grow their leadership skills and collaborate at regular staff hui.

We are supported by a fantastic and dedicated Home & School Committee (HSC) and Whānau Rōpu, who help to build a sense of community alongside their fundraising initiatives. Over the past few years, the HSC and Whānau Rōpu have added a Matariki dawn celebration and a biennial School Gala to our school calendar, alongside the very well supported School Campout. These events are highly valued by our school and community and allow us to come together to connect and celebrate.

Our school upholds Te Tiriti o Waitangi and has a strong relationship with our Māori and Pasifika whānau. Our Principal and Senior Leadership Team work in partnership with the Whānau Rōpu and other key members of our community to integrate Te Ao Marama into our learning environment. This work is strongly supported by the Board of Trustees and we are very keen to see it continue to grow.

We are looking for a teacher who will be visible, warm, and engaging with students, staff, and whānau. Our new teacher will build on the school's current success in developing not only students with strong foundations in educational achievement but well-rounded, kind and caring people who contribute positively to their community. Our teachers embody our Cheer Values of Confidence, Honesty, Excellence, Enthusiasm, and Respect.

Nau Mai, Haere Mai, Whakatau Mai. We warmly welcome your visit to our school.

Ngā mihi,

Rachael Sole

Tumuaki

AN INTRODUCTION TO BOULCOTT SCHOOL



Te Kura O Boulcott Boulcott School

Stand tall, fly high, together.

Kia tū kaha, kia maia, kia rere ki te ao.

At Boulcott School our community live by our vision of *Stand Tall, Fly High, Together - Kia tū Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia rere ki te ao.*

Boulcott School is a high decile medium size primary school catering for 350 plus children in Years 1 to 6. We are just a few minutes from the heart of Lower Hutt City and sit close to Te Awa Kairangi Hutt River. Our school was established in 1928 and benefits from a strong and continued tradition of community and family involvement, a warm, friendly, and positive culture, fantastic and dedicated staff, and high performing students.

Our Boulcott tamariki are from a diverse background. Just over 50% are New Zealand European/Pakeha, 16% Māori, 25% Asian and 3% Pasifika. They bring with them engaged and connected whānau and a wealth of knowledge that enhances our school community and curriculum.

Our kura has gone through a revisioning and rebranding process. After consultation with key stakeholders, we have implemented a new vision for the school: *Stand Tall, Fly High, Together - Kia tū Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia rere ki te ao.* Our new logo represents this vision along with our five CHEER values, which are at the heart of everything we do. We utilise these values to celebrate our successes and reinforce our expectations across the school.

We are a PB4L school, currently implementing initiatives within Tier 1 and 2.

We have a strong student leadership programme which gives our tamariki opportunities to lead, have agency, and build confidence. Examples of the initiatives we have in place are our House Captains, and House Councillors, Peer Mediators, Road Patrols and Sport Monitors.

Boulcott School has a stable staff of very experienced and passionate practitioners. Our tamariki are at the centre of all decision making. We take an inquiry approach to learning with a particular focus on how to think rather than what to think. We encourage curiosity and creative thinking. Inclusion at Boulcott School means success for all. Boulcott strives to create an inclusive environment for all students and whānau. Providing an optimum environment with opportunities for every student to flourish in all areas of life is our goal. Our dedicated Support Staff and SENCO are committed to ensuring every child can be the best they can be.

Our school operates in three learning teams:

Harakeke: Years 1 and 2

Kōwhai: Years 3 and 4

Kahikatea: Years 5 and 6

Our House culture is also fully established with a strong House spirit demonstrated across our school. Every child is connected to a House group and has the opportunity to earn CHEER tokens for their House through daily school life and sports events. Our four Houses are Kākāpō, Tui, Pukeko & Kea.



