



# BULLS SCHOOL

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VISION: To create collaborative, connected and active lifelong learners in a modern, innovative community school environment.

AT BULLS SCHOOL WE DEVELOP & SHOW PRIDE THROUGH

Positivity Whanaungatanga	Respect Manaakitanga	Integrity Pono	Determination Mana Motuhake	Excellence Whakamana
Goal #1 Expand on strong community partnerships that reflect the school's unique & rural setting.	Goal #2 Promote a safe and sustainable learning environment where everyone and everything is respected and appreciated.	Goal #3 Strive for excellence the national curriculum with a strong emphasis on the literacy and numeracy.	Goal #4 Creating pathways to foster successful lifelong learners.	Goal #5 Growing actively involved students who want to excel physically, culturally and academically.

**TOMO MAI KI TE KURA AKO**  
Enter to Learn



Miss Kim Gordon  
Principal/Tumuaki



## Who are we?

The school was established in 1867 so we have a long and eventful history. We are very proud of not only our students but our whole school community. We strive to work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for our students. We cater to individual needs through the development of a child's key competency skills and PRIDE values which are integrated into rich and meaningful classroom programmes. We PRIDE ourselves on our rich community connections and classroom programmes that offer challenging educational, physical and cultural opportunities. We are a full primary school catering for Years 1–8 with many opportunities for our students to develop as young adults through a rich tuakana teina culture.

### WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM US?

- \*Dedicated Board of Trustees and staff who value and respect the bicultural partnership of Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- \*Developing localised curriculum lense - what can we learn about the community we live in and how can we apply this to our learning journey in order to become active and contributing citizens?
- \*Research and evidence based approach to teaching in the 21st Century - what do our tamariki need to succeed?
- \*Commitment to integrating technology using the philosophy - 'best tool for the job' eg: iPads, laptops, chrome books, digital cameras, robotics.
- \*Events with special character eg: Ag Day, Senior Citizens Concert, River Rejuvanation Programme, Pae Tamariki
- \*Strong sense of Tikanga Māori evident in and across our kura with a strong kapahaka ropu and a dedicated kaiwhakaako
- \*Annual camps for senior students - Tuarongo Hub.
- \*Overnight stay for middle students - Tokomanawa Hub.
- \*Regular opportunities for outdoor education for Whole School
- \*School Sports Teams
- \*Spacious Playing Fields & Playgrounds
- \*High engagement with South Rangitikei Cluster of schools
- \*Active and involved member of South Rangitikei Community of Learning/Kāhui Ako
- \*Sports and Cultural programme which includes opportunities such as jump jam competitions, interschool sports events
- \*Specialised sports and cultural teacher
- \*Swimming Programmes specifically aimed at senior students and a school pool for summer junior school lessons
- \*Sports & Academic Prizegivings
- \*Beautifully kept grounds and playgrounds with a cement bike track which we encourage our community to use outside of school hours
- \*Positive relationships with early-learning centres to support transition to school
- \*Well resourced and funded school across all curriculum areas.

## Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees are a group of dedicated people who have the role of governing the school according to Ministry of Education Guidelines (NAGS & NEGS).

The Board of Trustees meet twice a term. Meetings are public and parents/friends of the school are welcome to attend.

## BoT Members

Chairperson: Martin Krieger  
Principal: Kim Gordon  
Staff Rep: Megan Syme  
Members: Jen Ross  
Doug Wallace  
Hine Rokosuka  
Dave Snowdon  
Bridget Hammond  
Secretary: Di Jensen

## Traffic Safety



Traffic outside school is busy, especially around 2.50pm and on wet days. Please show consideration to others and remember to keep clear of the areas that the children use. We encourage parking 'away' from the school and walking into the Wilson street entrance. Students should avoid the Bridge Street entrance due to the traffic volume increasing the chance of danger. **Please slow right down when entering the school car park. Do not enter school grounds between 8.00am & 4.30pm.**

## Scooters & Bikes at School

We are happy that our children use these methods to get to school. Once they reach the school grounds we expect them to push their wheels to the bike stands in order to avoid accidents and mishaps. If your child is unable to adhere to these guidelines we may have to ask them to discontinue bringing their bikes or scooters to school. Students must place their wheels in the stands as soon as they arrive. We discourage 'other' types of wheels as this can create unnecessary issues. Our bike track is for everyone's enjoyment. Helmets must be worn at all times.



## Road Patrollers



A staff member and road patrollers are on duty from 8.30 – 8.45am and 2.50 – 3.05pm at the main crossings. Please use the patrolled crossings. Please ensure that your child crosses the main road when the crossing is patrolled. As a driver, we ask that you observe both the patrollers and the 'No Parking' areas. The car park is best avoided at peak times.

## Bus Transport

Students who live on Ohakea Base or in the Parewanui area, are currently permitted to use the MOE provided bus service which has an extension to Bulls School. Parents are responsible for letting the school office know whether or not their child is using this service on any given day. A bus list is kept in the office and students are checked off and supervised by the duty teacher until the bus arrives to collect them shortly after 3pm each afternoon. MOE guidelines regarding eligibility, safety and behaviour are all enforceable and a student may be refused the service if breaches to these guidelines occur. A full list of the guidelines is available at school for your perusal.



## Uniform Code

All students wear the Bulls School polo shirt, polar fleece and the sport & Cultural top, and the logoed red bucket hat available from Academy Apparel in Palmerston North. Their 'bottom' is non regulation other than a colour restriction to plain black (no writing, logos, stripes or other colours). Shoes need to be suitable for school wear.

### Please name ALL clothing and shoes.

In Terms 1 and 4 of each year, red Bulls School bucket hats must be worn when outdoors. We recommend student hats stay at school in their classroom as not having a hat means the child has restricted play areas (deck areas with shade). We also recommend sunblocking your child before school. Top up Sunblock is available from sunscreen stations around the school.

Restorative Process is a framework that supports our school in creating a culture where positive behaviour and learning thrive. The focus is on 'restoration of relationships' and the creation of a 'culture of care' to develop 'responsible citizens'. The fundamental premise is that people are happier, more co-operative and productive and more likely to make changes when those in authority do things *with* them, rather than *to* them.

## Absences

Phone 322 1184 and select 1 for absences or the App

are the best way to notify us of a child's absence.

Parents are asked to contact us before 8.50am if their child is going to be absent or late.

The electronic roll is marked at 9am

& 1.45pm

## Enrolment Procedures

Parents may complete enrolments for children from their 4th Birthday, but they must be attending school by the age of 6. The admission procedure requires the child's Birth Certificate and Immunisation Certificate to be copied by the office. The two signed Consent Forms and the Digital Citizenship Agreement form, must also be returned.

## Lunch in School

The Ministry provide free healthy lunches daily, you will need to provide morning tea and a water bottle for your child. Please let the office know of any dietary requirements, alternatively you can opt out of the Lunch Scheme and provide your own healthy lunch.

## Book Club

The school operates the Scholastic Book Club.

This gives the children an

opportunity to purchase children's books of good quality at competitive prices and also the school gains 'points' which they use to get books for the Library.

## Lollies & Carbonated Drinks

Lollies and carbonated drinks are not allowed at school. We prefer water bottles to be used in class.

## Stationery

The Board of Trustees made a decision to provide all students with their stationery requirements for the year.

## Unclaimed Property

The property bin is located outside the Senior Hub and should be checked regularly. We are constantly surprised by the amount of unclaimed, un-named clothing, which we dispose of or recycle at the end of each term.

## Swimming

We are fortunate enough to have a school pool. In Term 1 we teach our junior & middle hub children to swim here.

In Term 4 we run a swimming programme in conjunction with Marton Swim School at the Marton Pool for two weeks for our Seniors.

## Kapa Haka

We have an excellent Kapa Haka instructor. Kapa Haka is an integral part of our school.

## Office Hours

The office is staffed between 8.15am to 3.00pm daily. Feel free to contact the school at any time. The phone will not always be manned so organising after school pick-ups should be done before school.

## Early Pick Ups If Necessary

If you are collecting your child during school hours please report to the office to sign out.



# B.S.S.G

## Bulls School Support Group



This is a small but super dedicated group who raise funds that support our children's learning journey.

Examples of areas funds have been directed to are: Ipads, Bean Bags, Camp, Outdoor Activities, Playground Equipment, Kapahaka Uniforms, Sports Uniforms and much much more!

**We would love more volunteers for this group, so if you are interested please let Di at the office know.**

Did you know that being involved in your child's school sends a hugely positive message to them!



Our House Leaders lead, motivate and support their house in participation, competitive spirit and sportsmanship.

They act as role models to others in the school. House leaders help with both sporting and non-sporting events throughout the year.

They fundraise by selling juices and hot chocolate throughout the year. This enables them to attend National Young Leaders Day where they develop their leadership skills.

**BY THE KIDS FOR THE KIDS**

# **Bulls School Strategic Plan 2020-2022**

## **TO TĀTOU MANAKO - OUR MISSION**

To create collaborative, connected and active lifelong learners in an innovative community school environment.

## **South Rangitikei Kāhui Ako / Community of Learning**

### **TO TĀTOU MANAKO - OUR VISION**

A community that promotes collaboration through Manaakitanga and Whanaungatanga to engage and empower learners.

By learners we mean all parties invested in positive outcomes for our young people.

The students themselves as learners, but also the whānau, school staff and wider community. We all have a vital part to play in this journey.

Building Teacher and Learner Efficacy		Developing & Strengthening Cultural Revitalisation		Developing Our Localised Curriculum through Place Based Learning	
<b>P</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>WHANAUNGATANGA POSITIVITY</b>	<b>MANAAKITANGA RESPECT</b>	<b>PONO INTEGRITY</b>	<b>MANA MOTUHAKE DETERMINATION</b>	<b>WHAKAMANA EXCELLENCE</b>	

# FIND US

Bulls School  
200 Bridge Street  
Bulls  
4818

PHONE: 06 322 1184

EMAIL: [office@bulls.school.nz](mailto:office@bulls.school.nz)

WEBSITE: [www.bulls.school.nz](http://www.bulls.school.nz)

SCHOOL APP: Download from app store  
- Skool Loop, then Bulls School

FACEBOOK PAGE: Like and join our page  
- bulls school, bulls

NEWSLETTERS: Published fortnightly but available on school app,  
website and via email if notified.

Bulls School Policies & Procedures

<http://bulls.schooldocs.co.nz/>  
(note that there's no "www"!).

Our username is bulls and password pride  
Westpac Bank Account  
030 605 0179074 00

## Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



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Download Skool Loop – Bulls School

# You are the most important person in your child's learning journey.

Working as a team to get the most out of your child's time at school means a WIN/WIN for all of us.

## 8 Great Tips:

1. Get involved in your child's school
2. Build a relationship with the teachers and staff
3. Know your child's strengths and share them
4. Do not speak negatively about the school or staff\*
5. Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep with a healthy diet to support their ongoing learning
6. Teach your children to be responsible for their actions
7. Establish routines
8. Have patience

\*There is a complaints procedure which will help you to resolve any issues or concerns.



## Cybersafety

This website has excellent up to date support for schools and parents with regards to keeping our tamariki safe in the online world.

[www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz)

### My Promise To You

I promise you every day your child will learn something.  
Some days they will bring it home in their hands.  
Some days they will bring it home in their heads,  
and some days they will bring it home in their hearts.

-Valerie Welk





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- \* Please name all clothing and shoes. Sweatshirts are best named with permanent marker under the hem or in the collar.
- \* In Terms 1 and 4 of each year, Bulls School bucket sunhats MUST be worn when outdoors.
- \* If hair is long, we request it is tied back for safety, hygiene and practical purposes. Hair styles and colours should be as natural as possible and avoid extreme 'trends' which may be seen as threatening.
- \* Jewellery should be kept to a minimum and not pose any health or safety dangers.
- \* When students are representing our school at events, they will be issued with a uniform – suited to the type of event they are participating in. Prompt cleaning and returning of these is appreciated.

## Uniform Price List 2023

*All prices include GST*

### Polo-Short Sleeve      \$33.00

Red polyester cotton backed, black contrast with School embroidery, children size 4-16 & adults size S-L

### Polo-Long Sleeve with ribbed cuff and School embroidery

Children's sizes 4 - 16      \$38.00

Adults sizes S - L      \$42.00

### Polar Fleece      \$43.00

Red fleece, 1/2 zip, black contrast with school embroidery childrens sizes 4 - 16 adults sizes S - L

### Red Bucket Hat with School Logo – \$20.00



Academy Apparel

82 Broadway Avenue

Palmerston North

**Mon to Fri 8:30am – 5pm  
Closed Public Holidays**

**January 2021: Thursdays open till 6pm**

**January 2021: Saturdays 10.00am - 2pm**

**Phone: 06 354 0979**

**Email: [sales@academyapparel.co.nz](mailto:sales@academyapparel.co.nz)**

**Online Shop: [www.academyapparel.co.nz](http://www.academyapparel.co.nz)**

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Bulls School buys and sells used uniforms. Donations gratefully accepted.

We buy for 50% of saleable price, eg, we will pay \$10 for a polar fleece that we can sell for \$20.

Selling Range: up to \$10 for polar shirts, up to \$20 for polar fleece,  
(depending on condition).

Contact Bulls School 322 1184 for any queries you may have.