



Media Release

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Time for Selwyn youth to BOOST

There's a new youth event coming to Selwyn in the October school holidays.

Residents from 13 to 18 years of age are being invited to join the Selwyn Youth Council with support from the Selwyn District Council in a fun, action-packed week of BOOST events.

Selwyn Youth Council Chairperson Paige Sullivan says the creation of the new youth event is in response to feedback about a lack of things to do in Selwyn for teenagers, particularly during the school holidays.

"We looked at the huge success of KidsFest, an event aimed at children under the age of 13 during the July school holidays, and thought we should be doing something like that for teenagers in our district," Paige says.

"BOOST isn't just a way to fill in your holiday. It's a chance to meet people, try something completely new, or just relax and have fun - all without leaving our amazing district."

BOOST 2018 is taking place during the October school holidays and will feature a broad range of events, activities and workshops to entertain, empower and develop Selwyn's youth. Some of the events include graffiti art workshops, parkour training, 3X3 basketball competitions, yoga sessions, circo arts and a hip hop workshop.

There are also five key events on offer: BOOST Speak - a TEDtalk style evening with three inspiring speakers, BOOST Spook - a horror walk in Foster Park, BOOST Market - a youth market in the Rolleston Community Centre, BOOST Splash - a pool party at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre and BOOST Out - the grand finale featuring food trucks, a skate jam, graffiti art and live performances.

For more information and to register, go to selwyn.govt.nz/boost.