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Mount Biggs Bulletin

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

We hope everyone had a wonderful King's Birthday weekend and enjoyed the extra day off. What an exciting start to last week we had with Book Character Day! It was fantastic to see everyone dressed up and celebrating some of their favourite characters and stories. We hope all our tamariki had a great time and made some special memories.

We're now halfway through our new carpet installation project. Rooms 3 and 4 are looking fantastic with their fresh carpet tiles. This week, Rooms 1 and 2 are scheduled to be completed by Friday. During the process, each class has spent time working in the hall. It's been wonderful to see how adaptable and resilient our amazing children are when routines change.

In playground news, we've moved the climbing frames made for the Tough Kid Challenge into the playground, and they're already getting lots of use! It's great to see the kids enjoying them. We're hopeful that we'll be able to add even more exciting features to the playground area in the near future.

Unfortunately, the Kainui Cross Country was cancelled this week, and at this stage, there won't be a postponement. However, some of our Year 5-6 and Year 7-8 students will still get the opportunity to represent our school at the Manawatū Interschool Cross Country event in Ashhurst next week. Hopefully they're out training hard!

Trials for Kainui Rippa Rugby have been running across last week and this week. It's great to see so many of our students putting their hands up to be involved. Unfortunately, not everyone will be selected, and we've taken the opportunity in class and during Ruruku to talk about resilience and how to handle setbacks positively. These are valuable life lessons, and we're proud of how our students are approaching them.

Important Dates – Staff Only Days

A reminder that we have two Ministry of Education-mandated staff only days coming up. These will focus on professional development for the new mathematics curriculum. Please note the dates below that the Ministry of Education have given us:

- Friday, July 18, Friday, September 19

ICAS registrations are now open for students in Years 4-8. If you would like your child to participate, please use the following link for more information and to register:

👉 [ICAS Registration Form](https://forms.gle/g4xwSTqWBfEerAzRA)

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Ngā mihi nui,
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School Reminders

*Matariki Public Holiday
20th June
School Closed*

School Dates

June
2nd - Kings Birthday Public Holiday
4th - Kainui Cross Country
6th - FAHS to visit year 8's
10th - Planting Thompson's Farm
11th - Inter School Cross Country
12th - Home & School Meeting
13th - Feilding Matariki Celebration
16th - 18th - Zero Waste
19th - School Matariki Celebration
19th - Reports Home
20th - Matariki Public Holiday
24th - 25th - Learning Conferences
25th - Kainui Rippa
27th - End of Term 2

Room 1



We have had a great couple of weeks in Room 1. It is our turn to set up our classroom in the hall. The students absolutely love it. We can't wait for our new carpet to be ready.

Last week was book character day. Everyone in Room 1 dressed up. Everyone got behind such a cool day. We had Wally, Harry Potter characters, sports superstars and many more. It made learning a lot more fun.



We have got a busy few weeks coming up. Please keep an eye on the calendar to ensure you don't miss anything.

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Room 2



We had a blast celebrating Book Character Day. I was so impressed with the incredible effort everyone put into their costumes. There was such a fantastic variety — from Harry Potter to a Minecraft character to a couple of Teenage Ninja Turtles!

We've also been learning all about water. The students especially enjoyed doing experiments to make rain and exploring how the water cycle works. It's been exciting to see their curiosity and enthusiasm in action.

Later this week, we'll be moving into the hall — and we're all super excited to come back and check out our new carpet!

Room 3



We've recently welcomed two new students—Charlotte Hastings and Zea Vista. Book Character Day was a blast, with everyone looking amazing and bringing in matching books! We also had a great visit from Michelle Simpson from the Halcombe Volunteer Fire Brigade, which tied in perfectly with our current unit. Some lucky students even got to try on her gear! The new carpet has been fantastic—warmer, quieter, and much appreciated. Thanks to all our tamariki and whānau for supporting our brainfood goals and helping keep it clean!

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Room 4



We have had an interesting couple of weeks in Room 4. Book Character Day was impressive, with the class putting in a good effort with their costumes. They looked great. We spent a couple of days in the hall. It was different and fun. The class really stepped up and helped move the furniture. Our class looks amazing!

Here is what we think:

Spencer: It looks really nice, and it fits the class well.

Harriet: The carpet is soft and slippery.

Sophie: The carpet works well with the wall.

Noah: It makes the class look more modern.

Esther: It is much softer than the older carpet and looks better.

William WB: It looks like we could play chess on it.

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School Certificates

Room 1

Week 4



Week 5



Room 2

Week 4



Room 3

Week 4



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