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# Mount Biggs Bulletin

## Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e e whānau,

The last couple of weeks have been jam-packed with exciting opportunities for both our tamariki and staff. It's fantastic to see so many rich learning experiences taking place across different areas of school life — a real reflection of our vibrant and supportive community.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Room 3 conferences last week. It was a great opportunity to celebrate all the amazing things our tamariki have been doing and to look ahead to what's next in their learning journey. We always enjoy connecting with whānau to share and reflect on student progress.

Last Friday, our staff became the learners! We had a Ministry of Education facilitator onsite to guide us through the refreshed maths curriculum. It was an engaging and informative day that will help shape the way we deliver maths in our classrooms. We're already looking forward to our next session later this term.

It was wonderful to see our netball teams take the court in their stunning new uniforms last week — there were lots of excited smiles as they were handed out! We've also added new pickleball sets to our equipment, which the children are thoroughly enjoying during P.E. and break times.

A huge thank you to our Home and School Committee and wider community for your generous support. Your contributions make a real difference to our tamariki.

This week, we welcomed Kelly Sport back to Mount Biggs. Craig, Keri, and their team are running an after-school programme every Wednesday, and it looked like a whole lot of fun! It's great to be able to offer additional sporting opportunities for our children to stay active and engaged.

We also have Year 5–6 and 7–8 teams heading to the Kelly Sport Ki o Rahi tournament in Palmerston North this week. We're looking forward to hearing all about their experiences and the skills they've gained from this exciting event.

Nominations for the upcoming Board of Trustees elections are now open. Information has been emailed to all families using the email address provided to the school. If you haven't seen it, please check your inbox, junk, or spam folders.

We strongly encourage members of our wonderful school community to consider standing. Being on the Board is a fantastic way to help shape the future of our kura and ensure we continue to thrive.

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As always, thank you for your continued support. We're proud of the learning, growth, and sense of community that's happening every day at Mount Biggs.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Kyle Harris  
Tumuaki/Principal

School Reminders	School Dates
<p><i>Board of Trustees (BOT) Nominations open Friday 18th July and will close Wednesday 6th August</i></p>	<p><i>July</i> 23rd - 24th Ki O Rahi Tournament 29th - BOT Meeting 30th - Kainui Netball 31st - Home and School Meeting</p> <p><i>August</i> 5th-6th Kind Hearts (yr 1,3,5,7) 20th Kainui Kapa Haka Cultural Day 26-28th - Life Education Bus</p>

Room 1

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Room 1 was very fortunate to once again welcome Plant to Plate to our school. Plant to Plate is an organisation who teach tamariki how to cook using fruit and vegetables they can grow themselves. Each child took a turn at preparing and cooking food, then learning how to correctly look after a vegetable garden. Room 1 planted strawberries, coriander, broccoli, lettuce and silverbeet. At the end of the day, we all sit down to share our kai and try new food. Room 1 cooked vege bolognaise, vege pinwheel scones, leek and spinach tart, kumera and ginger muffins, parsnip and apple loaf, and fruit smoothies.

It was an amazing day. Thank you Plant to Plate and the amazing volunteers we had joined us.

## Room 2



Term 3 is well underway and it has brought some beautiful albeit rather chilly weather. We have been getting outside in the afternoons to work on our small ball skills. The kids enjoyed setting up an obstacle course and we have been keeping warm and getting fit at the same time.

At the end of our maths sessions we have been learning how to play Yahtzee. This game is great for reinforcing essential **basic facts** and **times tables** in a really enjoyable way.

Last but certainly not least, the colder weather brought a very special visitor to our classroom: 'Monty' the cat! Monty is quite content to observe and

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"learn" alongside the children during our maths sessions.

### Room 3



Term 2 ended with a busy week! We had a fun hockey session run by some high school students, with one of them being Mrs Wiltons son.

Kelly Sports gave us a taster session which included learning some netball, football and rugby skills with exciting games.

We also completed our science inquiry with another investigation of combining materials and making observations. We made erupting volcanoes and the children loved watching the lava erupt.

It is great to have the children back at school after the break and ready for another exciting term of fun and learning!



### Room 4



We have had a great start to Term 3. The class are well underway with their Science Fair preparation, with some very interesting ideas and experiments. We are halfway through our class novel, Ghost and getting back into our weekly routines.

Technology has started very well. The feedback from the tamariki has been very positive. It has been great to see the wallets, pillows, food and woodworking ideas being shared back in class.



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# School Certificates

## Room 1

Term 2 Week 9



Term 3 Week 1

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Term 2 Week 11

Term 3 week 1



Room 3

Room 4

Term 2 Week 9



Term 3 Week 1



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