Mount Biggs Bulletin

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

It was great to see our tamariki out enjoying the bursts of fine weather we had last week in between the rain and cold. It's always so pleasing to watch our children, regardless of year group, playing and mixing together. The playground has been full of life with games of handball, tanker, football, creative chalk art, and plenty of imaginative fun happening in the hut area.

Kainui Netball Success

Last week, a number of our students represented Mount Biggs at the Kainui Netball Tournament. All of our teams played incredibly well and consistently displayed our school values throughout the day.

A special congratulations to our Year 5–6 team, who were the inaugural winners of the Brend Leigh Memorial Shield. An outstanding achievement!

A big thank you as well to all the parents and caregivers who supported the event by coaching, managing teams, providing transport, and cheering from the sidelines. Thanks also to Chris and Louise for all their hard work in organising and preparing for the day — your efforts are always appreciated.

Winter Sports

Well done to all of the children who have completed their winter sports. Basketball and hockey have finished. Netball has a few weeks left to run. A big congratulations to the Year 3-4 basketball team who finished runners up in their grade. A fantastic achievement. Thank you to all of the coaches, managers, and parents who supported and made these opportunities possible for our tamariki.

Gymnastics Begins

This week, the children begin their gymnastics sessions. We were fortunate to have Craig from Kelly Sport Manawatū provide our staff with professional development around the teaching of gymnastics skills. We're excited to see our tamariki challenge themselves and grow in confidence over the coming weeks.

Kind Hearts Visits

This week, some of our students will be taking part in Kind Hearts programmes on Tuesday and Wednesday. We look forward to hearing about their experiences and seeing what messages, learning, and inspiration they bring back to share with the wider school.

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School Reminders

BOT Elections

We will be holding a vote in these elections, so please check you have received communication from Election Pilot.

Please see Louise ASAP, if you haven't received any communication from Election Pilot.

School Dates

August

8th - MATHEX & Orienteering Years 5-8

20th - Kainui Kapa Haka Cultural Day

26th-28th - Life Education Bus

29th - Daffodil Day

September

2nd - BOT Meeting @ 5.45pm

3rd - Kainui Football

4th - Home & School Meeting @ 6pm

10th -Kainui Junior Dance (NE-Year 3)

10th - Year 7 Immunisation

11th - Kainui Speeches

17th - WIG Wednesday (instead of 10th)

19th - TEACHER ONLY DAY

19th - End of Term 3

Room 1



We have had a couple of very busy weeks in Room 1. We have had Kainui Netball, Lego Spikes, Kind Hearts, Gymnastics, science experiments and more gardening club.

Room 1 is enjoying learning to code with the Lego Spikes. We have begun by programming these through our Chromebooks. It is great to see students demonstrating leadership skills and helping others.

Over term 2 and 3, we have been exploring the scientific process through different experiments. This week, we are finally getting to create our own experiments. This has involved having a controlled method, then changing 2 variables to see if the experiment will still work.

This week in gymnastics, we are focusing on balance. This has involved team work activities and in some cases, challenging ourselves on the high beam.

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Room 2







Room 2's year 4's enjoyed having the year 2's from Room 3 come and join us while their class was at Kind Hearts. The year 4's stepped up and were amazing leaders. Our first activity together was a collaborative puzzle page - which proved to be a bit tricky for some groups. Then we headed outside for some fitness. Back in class we taught the Room 3 students how to play SKUNK.

We have started gymnastics in the hall today. We learnt balancing activities with Viv and practised jumping over the vault with Karen. Our most challenging activity was trying to pass a hula hoop along a line of students without using our hands, whilst standing on the beam. We are looking forward to trying out the rest of the equipment later in the week.

Room 3









Our Year 1s had a fantastic time at the Kind Hearts event! They enjoyed an action-packed afternoon of fun and learning, all centred around kindness. Highlights included singing the famous "Poo Song" with Karen O'Leary, doing animal aerobics with Sport Manawatu, and listening to a heartwarming kindness story from author Tracey Moroney. The favourite moment for many was meeting the Dodo puppet, who kept getting things muddled up! With help from the presenters, the children learned about the power of kind words, listening ears, helping hands, and spotting kindness all around

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them.

Room 4



The students had a busy and engaging week! The Kainui netball team played with great spirit, and it was great to see their teamwork on display.

Room 4 are already preparing for the upcoming science fair, and it's exciting to see them so enthusiastic about their experiments. Some have started their experiment already

It was also great to see the Year 7 students get involved in the Kind Heart event on Wednesday. The day was a great success and provided a good opportunity for them to learn about the importance of being kind.

We have started our gymnastics unit. The class is very excited to be in the gym learning about balance and jumping onto the vault.

School Certificates

Room 1 Room 2

Week 2



Week 3



Week 2



Week 3



Room 3 Room 4



Week 2



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