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Mount Biggs Bulletin

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

It has been another busy week with so many exciting activities and opportunities for all of the children. We are very fortunate to have such a supportive community and teachers who are willing to go the extra mile to make these opportunities available for our children.

All year groups attended the Kind Hearts days at the racecourse. It was a fun day where the children learnt about enhancing their mana, being kind and receiving kindness. Such a great message that I feel our children are incredibly good at doing. They also listened to some inspiring speakers and were entertained by Nano Girl with some cool science experiments. Thank you to all the parents who attended over the 2 days.

We also had the Year 5-8 Mathex Competitions run by the Manawatū Maths Association. This was also held at the racecourse. Our teams did very well on the day in a very tense and hectic competition. The children have a quick fire round where they are required to answer 15-20 problems in 20 minutes. They then have practical challenges to complete. Our Year 5 and Year 6 teams finished in the Bronze section of the Challenge competition. The Year 7 team finished in the Silver section of the Challenge competition. The Year 8 team finished 21st in the competitive section. All of the teams can be incredibly proud of their efforts. Thank you to all of the parents who help with transport. This is very much appreciated.

On Friday we had the privilege of having the PNBHS music road show perform for us. They had an orchestra, band, choir, and bag pipes to name some of the groups performing. This was an incredible show that we all thoroughly enjoyed. The children were not only entertained but they also learnt about the different instruments and how some of these are played.

On Tuesday, October 29 we will be having our second Ministry of Education Teacher Only Days. This is the second of two compulsory days the MoE have directed schools to have this year.

Ngā mihi nui,

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School Reminders

**Term 4
Teacher Only Day
29th October**

School Dates

- August
- 19th - Ag Day Info Staffroom 2.30pm
- 21st - Kainui Football
- 23rd - Star Jam
- 24th - Jump Jam Competition
- 28th - Kainui Kapa Haka
- 30th - Daffodil Day

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Room 1



Room 1 had a great time at Kind Hearts. It was a great chance to learn about growing our own mana, random acts of kindness, receiving kindness and developing kindness habits. The highlight was definitely seeing Nanogirl. She performed a range of science experiments like setting her hand on fire.

We were also fortunate to listen to Shaz who shared her experience of losing an arm. She was closing a gate and got blown into the gate. This caused her arm to get stuck. The best part was that she called her arm stumpy and they took a skin graft from her bum to put on her arm.

Room 2



Room 2 had an amazing time at Kind Hearts last week. The Year 3's went with Room 3 to the junior event and the year 4's went to the senior afternoon.

At the senior event the first speaker was Nanogirl - there were quite a few surprised faces when she set her hand on fire! The second speaker was Shaz from Feilding who spoke about overcoming adversity and how good can come from bad.

The Juniors came back excited and full of tales from their event. I'm pretty sure they enjoyed the bus ride too!

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Room 3



Room 3 had lots of fun at Kind Hearts last week. We danced, sang, laughed and did animal aerobics all while learning about kindness. Some of the things the children learned:

"How to walk across the road safely" - Madeline

"You can show kindness by sharing things" - Mackenzie

"Have lots of kind people around you" Laken



The children are enjoying our technology and design inquiry this term. We have linked this with the olympics and so far have looked at the olympic torches and medal designs. Room 3 have shown their creativity by designing their own NZ themed medals. We are looking forward to seeing what else they create!

Room 4



Room 4 have had a great time the past few weeks. The team from Parafed showed us some inclusive games on the turf and we got the chance to play Wheelchair basketball. The class had a great time, manoeuvring the chairs around the court!



The Kind Hearts visit last week was enjoyable. The speakers were very good, full of inspiration and great ideas. The Nano Girl caught everyone's attention by setting her hand on fire.

We also had students attend the Mathex competition. Both teams did very well at this challenging task. They all showed good problem solving and

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teamwork, working through the challenges.

School Certificates

Room 1



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