Mount Biggs Bulletin

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

We are heading into the last weeks of the term and there is a lot happening. Last week we had the Year 5-8 speech competition. This year the children opted to present a speech. We were really impressed with all the children who presented. They showed an incredible level of confidence and skill. They can all be very proud of their achievements. It was fantastic to see the level of support the audience gave to all of the children. This is another great example of how amazing our children are at Mount Biggs School. We would like to wish Craig, Laney, and Evie all the best for the Kainui Speech competition this Wednesday at Colyton School.

Last Wednesday the junior school attended the Kainui Junior dance at the Civic Centre in Feilding. This was a great morning and the children (and adults) had a lot of fun showing off their amazing dance skills. Thank you to all of the parents and caregivers who provided transport for us. We appreciate your help.

On Wednesday last week, the teachers attended a meeting with Erica Stanford, the Minister of Education. She presented to the whole Kāhui Ako. It was an opportunity to hear about the initiatives that the government is implementing and the thinking behind them.

We have received some very exciting new equipment and gadgets for the school over the last few weeks from Home and School. We have our new mobile party speaker. We had a trial on Monday afternoon with an impromptu dance party on the turf. This will be great for events and camps. We will have some new updates soon with the cool things that have been purchased. A really big thank you to the entire Home and School committee for the hard work you do and for the amazing support you give our school.

We are all looking forward to our first House Day on Friday, September 20. This is a fun day for the children. More information will be coming out soon. Unfortunately, I will be away at a conference from Tuesday next week, so will miss the House Day. I am looking forward to hearing how it all goes.

Ngā mihi nui, Kyle Harris

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School Reminders	School Dates
Friday 20th September House Day 11.30 - 1pm	September 11th - Kainui Speech Festival 11th - WIG Wednesday 11th - Chocolate Sales Returned 20th - House Day
Share & Care 2 pm	20th - Share & Care 23rd - Last Day Pet Registrations 24th - Pizza Lunch 27th - Last Day Term 3

Room 1



We have been very lucky this week to have Max from Parafed. She worked with us to show how we can adapt different sports to ensure we can include everyone in our class. It was a lot of fun to use a range of new equipment, while also using some that we already have but in a different way.

Room 1 also welcomes Tuli into our class. She is a student teacher on her final placement. Tuli will be in our class for the next 8 weeks. We can't wait to show her life in a country school.

Our Market day inquiry is also well underway. We are currently exploring our logos, slogans and advertising around our products. Market day will be early in term 4, then the excitement for our auction day!

Room 2





This week, we have started our second piece of art for Ag day. We are using crayons to create our amazing masterpieces.

Mr Tate has been teaching us some new waiata. We have learnt Yellow submarine and a taniwha song. Mr Tate plays his guitar while we sing these songs.

We worked with Max from Parafed to learn a new game. This helps us to be able to include everyone from all abilities. It was a fun game where we got some pool noodles to tag people. If you got a ribbon, then you had 6 lives so you got more of a chance to play. We have to do frog jumps, star jumps, push ups and hopping on one leg. We had a lot of fun and can't wait for our second session.

Mrs Hastings has been teaching us how to use rakau sticks. We are learning how to use these when following along with a song.

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Room 3













Room 3 had lots of fun at the Kainui dance last week. They danced to songs from around the world and even got their parents to join in. Their favourite dances involved the stretchy lycra and doing the Hokey Tokey.

This week the children enjoyed learning games with Max from Parafed who highlighted the importance of playing games that everyone can be involved in. They played Infinite Tag and added different variations such as scissors, paper, stone and dancing in a corner.

The children have also been working hard on completing their art work for Ag Day. It is great seeing their skills and creativity in these other curriculum areas!

Room 4



Preparations for market day are well under way. We are now looking at advertising our product, looking at logos and slogans and making a mini advert to help build awareness and expectation.

We have 3 technology days left (one in week 1 next term). Room 4 have worked hard on their projects making some awesome food, board games and bags.

We would like to welcome our student teacher, Justine to Mount Biggs and our class. She was here for two days last week and got to know our awesome intermediates.

For math we have explored sequences and number patterns using manipulatives. We made repeating shapes and looked for a pattern in the numbers. This led to inquiring into rules and formulas for the patterns. A great intro to algebra.

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School Certificates

Room 1 Room 2





Week 6



Week 7



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