## Mount Biggs Bulletin

#### Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

What a great start to the term. It was fantastic to see the children enjoying each other's company and the sunny days we had last week. Hopefully, we will have more settled weather in the coming weeks and they can continue to have fun outside.

Thank you for helping us with the parking and drop-off zone. We appreciate your patience with this. The field is open now so that will help.

Last week we had the Jets basketball players here taking the children for skills and game development. The children and staff had a great time. It is awesome to have Zavier and Michael here for the next 6 weeks.

Ag Day is this week. For some of us, it is our first one. We are looking forward to seeing how this all runs at Mount Biggs School. It is great to see all of the mahi the children have put into their art, construction, and food creations.

You would have received information about athletics this year. This year we are going to make this a whole school activity and will be running it at Timona Park in Feilding. Chris has sent out some information this week. Classes are practising in preparation for this in Week 4.

It was great to see so many children playing summer soccer last Wednesday. It is hectic down at the Arena but a lot of fun. Touch starts this Thursday. We are looking forward to seeing our teams in action. Thank you to all the volunteers who have put their hand up to manage and/or coach. We appreciate the time you give to make these opportunities possible.

Home and School have purchased us some mobile seating. These are a great addition to the school and will be invaluable for all of the events we have at school.

It is exciting to announce that we have updated the school website. This has been created for us by Skool Loop. If you google Mount Biggs you will go to the new site. A big thank you to local sponsors who have helped to make this possible. Please support these businesses.

This weekend is Labour weekend so Monday is a holiday. We have a Teacher Only Day on Tuesday, October 29. The teachers will be at school working on new curriculum developments in preparation for 2025 as well as attending professional development at other schools. We hope you all have an amazing long weekend. We will see you all back on Wednesday.

Ngā mihi, Kyle Harris

School Reminders	School Dates
Ag Day Thursday 24th October	October 24th - AG DAY 28th - Labour Day Holiday
Labour Day Monday 28th October	29th - Teachers ONLY Day November 13th - Year 7/8 Vaccinations TBC
Teacher Only Day Tuesday 29th October	19th - JNR Kainui Athletics 21st - SNR Kainui Athletics 28th - School Showcase

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#### Room 1



We have had an amazing start to the term. Room 1 is very lucky to have basketball every Wednesday with the Jets. Our first session was amazing. They learnt a range of new games, while all building on their basketball skills.

Term 4 is also our athletic term. We are going to be working with Room 4 to ensure a good coverage while teaching athletic skills.

Mrs Nag has been teaching us about persuasive writing. It has been great to explore different opinions while also being able to justify our answers.

#### Room 2









We loved having The Jets come and take us for basketball skills and drills. By the end of 45 minutes we were absolutely stuffed! We worked on developing our reflexes and our shooting skills. The Jets come in every Wednesday and we can't wait for them to come back today.

It's a sporty term and we have started athletics training preparing for our school and inter school athletics coming up in weeks 4 and 6. Mrs Hasting took us for high jump on Friday and we are developing our shot put and discus skills this week with Mrs Wilton.

In Te Reo we learnt the Maori vowel and consonants - and practised pronouncing common Maori words correctly.

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#### Room 3



The kids have been loving our athletics practices, especially the sprints and shot put! It's great to see their energy and excitement

> skills. We've also welcomed three new students this term, and thev've



jumped right into the joy of learning. With so many fantastic role models around, they're quickly seeing how awesome school can be. We're also thrilled to have the Jets players visiting and teaching us some basketball skills—what an inspiring experience! It's been equally cool watching some of our tamariki really embrace kapa haka, getting involved with such passion and pride. It's wonderful to see them engage in all these activities!

#### Room 4



We have an amazing opportunity to have players from the Jets basketball team come to Mount Biggs and teach the tamariki some skills with basketball. Room 4 were first up on Wednesday in Week 1 and were amazing.



We have also started work on our Persuasion unit, learning about the purpose of Persuasion and diving into the vocab, the reasons and the justification.

Ag Day prep has been very good with Room 4 working hard to finish their designs for Thursday.

The next big focus is Market Day. Room 4 have decided on their idea and are well underway to creating their product and designing the advertising in preparation for Market Day in Week 4.

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# School Certificates

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