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Mount Biggs Bulletin

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

What a fantastic start to Term 4! Despite the diabolical weather, with plenty of wind and rain, our tamariki have been absolutely incredible. They've continued to work hard in class and make the most of any time they can be outside. We're getting them out as often as possible, but it's a good idea to pack a change of clothes, especially for our younger students, in case of slips or sandpit adventures.

We're very close to having our new swings ready! Once the edging and bark are completed, they'll be safe for use, hopefully by next week. Our new trampoline has also arrived and will be set up soon for everyone to enjoy. It was sad to see the old one go, but we're excited for this flash new upgrade. A huge thank you to Home and School and the Cox family for making this possible.

Our school band, Geckos and the Guys, are performing at the Epic Music Band Battle on Wednesday. We wish them all the best for their performance! We loved watching them play at Share and Care last term and can't wait to hear how they go.

Next week is Ag Day, one of the real highlights of Term 4 and the school year. Many of our tamariki have been working hard with their calves and lambs, and the classroom artwork is looking incredible. We're excited to see all the art and constructions displayed in the hall on Tuesday. A huge thank you to Louise, Aimee, Home and School, and our wonderful community for all the organisation and support that makes this day such a special Mount Biggs tradition.

We recently received some sports equipment through the Fern Fuels loyalty programme, and our students have been loving it during break times. Thank you to Fern Fuels and everyone who nominated Mount Biggs School for this opportunity — your support is greatly appreciated.

Preliminary work has also begun for our new fence, with underground services located and marked. With the weather delays and Ag/Pet Day next week, the contractor will begin on-site work after the event to avoid extra disruption.

Finally, a reminder to please be patient and understanding around drop-off and pick-up times. The weather has prevented us from mowing the field, so it remains closed for parking. We know this can be tricky, but we hope to reopen it as soon as conditions improve.

Ngā mihi nui,
Kyle Harris

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School Reminders	School Dates
Ag Day - 22nd October Teacher Strike - 23rd October Teacher Only Day - 24th October Labour Day - 27th October	October 6th - Term 4 starts 21st - Bring hall exhibits & floral to school 21st - Hall Judging 21st - BOT Meeting 5.45pm 22nd - AG Day 23rd - Teachers Strike Day 24th - Teacher ONLY Day 27th - Labour Day Holiday 31st - Mt Biggs School Athletics

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Room 1

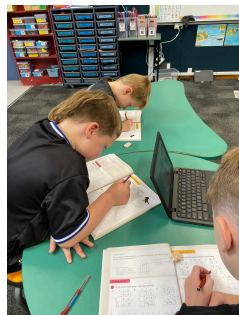
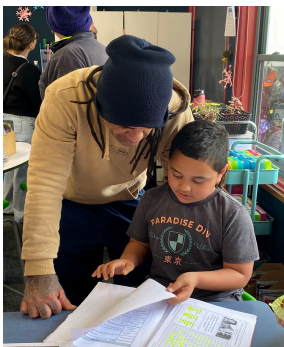


Room 1 was lucky enough to have Megan from St Johns come and teach us some first aid skills. We learnt about how we can best help support people who need help in an emergency. When checking for breathing, we need to remember chin to the sky, check inside. We also all know how to put someone in the side support position, if they are breathing. If they are not breathing, we are talked through CPR, while on the phone to 111.

D- Dangers
R - Response (voice, pain)
S - Send for help (111)
A - Airway
B - Breathing

We explored different scenarios to see how best to help our patient. This session was a great learning experience for Room 1.

Room 2



We finished the term strong with Share and Care in Week 10!

The kids loved showing off their work on the walls, displaying both their artwork and their book work with pride. Our Kapa Haka students made Mt Biggs proud with a fantastic performance for the parents. It's wonderful to see so many Room 2 students enjoying being part of the group.

In Maths, the Year 4 students are loving their new Oxford Maths workbooks. After learning about equivalent fractions last week, they are now tackling vertical addition. Year 2 and 3 students are working hard on their skip counting skills in 2s, 3s, and 5s. They've also become highly independent when solving their daily fast facts.

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Room 3



Welcome to **Teddy** and **Monty**, who joined Room 3 at the start of Term 4!

Last week Room 3 welcomed Megan from St John's, who taught us about First Aid. They practised what to do in an emergency using the steps:

1. Safety first
2. Look – see what happened/check
3. Call 111

The children practised calling **111** and learnt they will be asked "Do you need an ambulance, police, or fire?" They practised telling emergency services *where they are* and *what happened*.

These skills are important — in an emergency, they *could* save a life.

Room 3 has also been busy preparing for Ag Day and having fun practising high jump during athletics.

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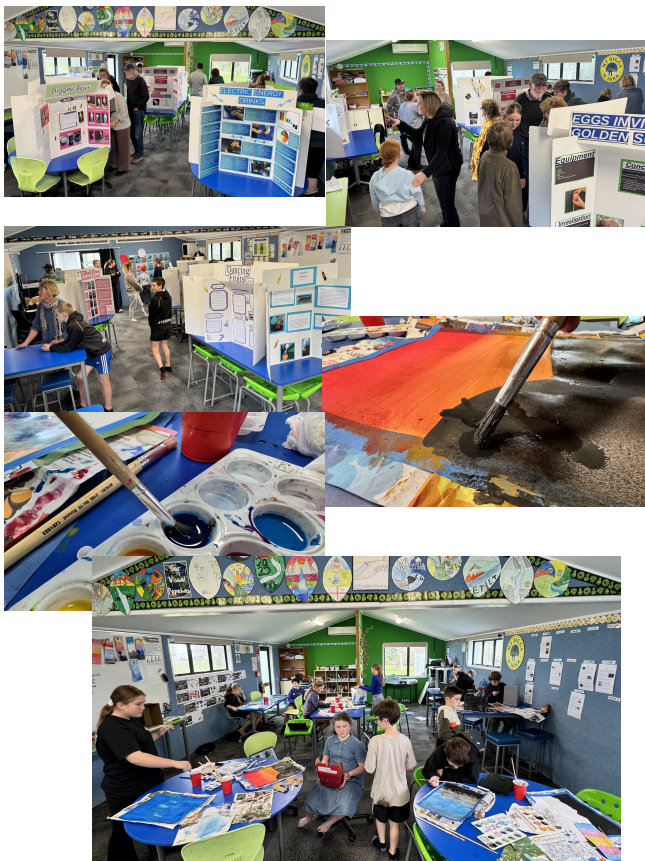


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Room 4



Ag Day preparation is in full swing, with students working hard on their artworks. The class stepped up the athletics training this week, focusing on discus, shotput, and high jump.

With technology changing next week, 6 to go, we're excited to prepare for the final six weeks of technology in the term. The products being shared back at school are very impressive.

It was great showing our parents the mahi we have done in class during Share and Care. It was a huge success, seeing our school band, the Kapa Haka and giving families a wonderful opportunity to see the hard work their children have done.

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School Certificates

Room 1

Week 1



Room 2

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Room 3

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Room 4

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