



Wednesday Newsletter

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Kaitiakitanga-Manaakitanga-Mahi Tahi-Takakawe

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28th February 2024 - Term 1 Week 5

Share and Care

TBA



Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

We are well and truly into the routine of the term now and it is great to see the wonderful things happening inside and outside the classroom for the children. We are incredibly lucky to have such a talented and passionate staff working with the children. They work hard everyday to make Mount Biggs School a great place for everyone to be. We are also very fortunate to have Viv, Kelly and Danni, our learning assistants back on board.

There are a number of Mount Biggs events and Kainui Cluster events coming up that children will have the opportunity to be involved in. The Kainui Cluster events have been planned out for the year. Information will be in newsletters and sent out via seesaw and the Skool Loop app. Please keep an eye out for these

It was great to see the group of children who took part in the mural painting exercise on the front page of the Feilding-Rangitikei Herald last week. This is all part of the 150th Year Feilding and Districts Commemorations being held this coming weekend. There are more events planned for the weekend. We have sent out information about being in the Decades Parade via Skool Loop and email. If you would like to be a part of this please complete the google form link in those messages or use the following [LINK: Parade Permission Form](#)

There are paid union meetings coming up in March. These meetings are set out in the Employment Relations Act and are compulsory for NZEI members to attend. Unfortunately the date for the local meeting clashes with our Kainui Cluster senior swimming sports so we will be attending the Palmerston North meeting on Tuesday, March 19 from 1.00-3.00pm. This is also the same day at the Weetbix Tryathlon. We will have some staff not attending different meetings so will remain for the afternoon to provide supervision. We would appreciate your support by picking up your child at 12.30pm. If you cannot do this, the remaining staff will supervise them for the afternoon. If your child is remaining at school please let the classroom teacher know. Also, if they are being collected by another parent please let the teacher know. Thank you for your support.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first few weeks at Mount Biggs School as acting principal. The community has been incredibly welcoming and supportive of everything we do here. It has been great getting involved in things like the working bee and community picnic and the tough kids challenge. It is a real privilege to have been appointed the permanent principal of such a wonderful school and community. A massive thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome. I am looking forward to working with the children, community and staff and continuing the great work that is happening at Mount Biggs School.

Ngā Mihi,

Kyle Harris,
Tumuaki/Principal

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IMPORTANT NOTICES - PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

- Camp Parent Vetting Forms DUE Back ASAP
- Kainui Junior Swimming Notices DUE Mon 4th

IN BRIEF

TOUGH KIDS

Notices for help came out last week. This is our BIG fundraiser so please help if you can. Spare notices in the office.

HOME & SCHOOL MEETING: Changed to 13th March

Home & School meeting has changed to Wednesday 13th March.

In the Staff room @ 6.30pm

TEACHERS UNION MEETING: Tuesday 19th March

Please can you pick your children up by 12.30pm, as teachers will be leaving as soon as possible.

Please let your child's teacher know **(by Wednesday 6th March)** if your child can not be picked up and supervision is needed.

CALENDAR DATES

Term 1 (29th January - 12th April)

January

29th - School starts

February

6th - Waitangi Day Holiday

7th - Lunches start for term

8th - Home & School Meeting

13th - BOT Meeting

18th - Working Bee & Community Picnic

27th - Jnr Swimming Sports @ school

March

1st - SNR Swimming Sports @ Makino

5th - Lunch

6th - Kainui JNR Swim Sports

12th - Lunch

13th - Home & School Meeting

18th - Year 7 Immunisations

19th - Teachers UNION Meeting

19th - BOT Meeting

20th - Kainui SNR Swim Sports

21st - Lunch

22nd - Tough Kids

26th - Lunch

27th-28th - Whole School Camp

29th-3rd - EASTER Holidays

April

12th - Last day Term 1

School Accounts



Hi

I will be sending out invoices in **week 6** of this term for stationery, school donations, lunches, new sun hats, camp and anything else that might pop up. If you have already paid thank you...your invoice will show these payments. All payments can be paid directly into the school account - thank you

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Please put "Name & Item" as reference eg. Lindsay Stationery

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Wednesday Lunches Changed to Tuesdays & a Thursday for MARCH

Due to Kainui Swimming Sports (Junior & Senior) and Camp all being on Wednesdays in March, lunches have been changed to
TO TUESDAYS for March.



Tuesday 5th March
Tuesday 12th March
Thursday 21st March
Tuesday 26th March



Whole School Camp
Highland Home, Pohangina 
Wed 27th - Thur 28th March

Years 3-8 (1 x night) \$60

Years 1-2 (day trip on 27th) \$10

Can I please have any vetting notices back ASAP

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Message from BOT

Mount Biggs School Board
Casual vacancy for a parent representative

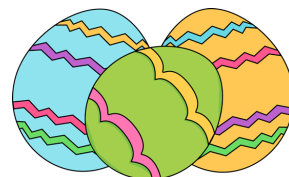
A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative. The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held. Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Angela Transom
Presiding member (chair)
Mt Biggs School Board

Email address botpresidingmember@mountbiggs.school.nz

by: 13 March 2024

Easter Holidays



Yay...Easter doesn't fall during the school holidays this year.
(I always feel a little ripped off when it does)

ANYWAY..... Easter Holidays includes the usual Friday and Monday BUT schools also get the Tuesday off.
Please mark this down on your calendar

Easter Holidays
Friday 29th March - Tuesday 2nd April
(school starts back on Wednesday 3rd April, normal time)

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Tough Kids 2024

We would like to thank all our incredible
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Home & School



PURCHASE A PLAQUE FUNDRAISER!

Help us fundraise to create an amazing multi-purpose outdoor amphitheater by buying a custom-made engraved plaque! We will display your family or business name and logo proudly on our sponsorship wall for years to come.

Options:

- \$500 **Business – Displaying your business name and / or logo.**
(Up to 25 characters engraved on a kwila plaque 1200 x 140mm)
- \$200 **Individual / Family – Displaying individual or family names.**
(Up to 25 characters engraved on a kwila plaque 600 x 140mm)
- \$?? **Would you like to help pay for a plaque for another family that may not be able to contribute the full amount?**

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM ON THE BACK TO ORDER!



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PURCHASE A PLAQUE ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

PLAQUE OPTIONS (PLEASE TICK, IF PURCHASING MULTIPLE PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH)

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\$500 Business Plaque

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\$200 Family Plaque

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\$?? Donation to another family (you choose amount)

DETAILS (PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY!)

- Wording on Plaque: (max 25 characters) _____
- Would you like a logo as well? (business plaque only, please circle) YES NO
If yes, please email logo to: homeandschool@mountbiggs.school.nz
- Please pay into the Home and School account: **03-0626-0620703-00** and use "Plaque" as the reference.
- Please return this form to the school office or scan it to the above email.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT!



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THE EGG PROJECT

MT BIGGS SCHOOL

Order your eggs on the website below (and use your code) before midnight Tuesday and they will be delivered super fresh to collect on Thursday from the school office.

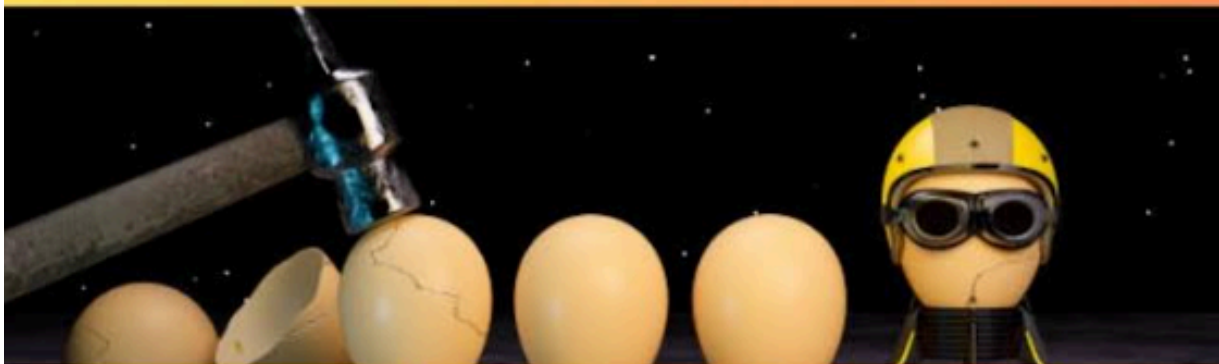
Free Range Dozen - \$9.50
Organic Dozen - \$11.50



We will give back \$1.00 per dozen to help fundraise as well!

YOUR CODE is SCH-007

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Shout Out to Our Awesome Pupils



Aliyah & Reese got a 'special' pick up from school last week... their mum won a competition on More FM.



Ashleigh and Craig had a successful day at the Feilding Athletics ribbon day. Ashleigh came home with two second and two third places, and Craig competed strongly in all events despite the lack of competition on the day,

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Some of our Year 7 & 8 students participated in painting part of a huge mural going up in Feilding.



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A Very Special Happy Birthday Violet & Toby T



Violet Bryant & Toby Thompson share a very special birthday.

They were both born on the

29th February 2016...Leap Year.

This means that they only get a 'Special Birthday DAY'
every 4 years!

Tomorrow is their special birthday...
remember to wish them a Happy Birthday.



They had a special visit on Monday from The Feilding Herald , who took photos and interviewed them both.

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Community News



We are back.... from the Team that brought you Moana Jr & Madagascar Jr in 2023 we are so excited to open auditions for our July 2024 production - Frozen Jr. Come and join us on this wonderful adventure through Arendelle and beyond. Auditions are on 2nd-3rd March at Ross Intermediate. Please email Frozenjrnz@gmail.com for more information.

Ngā mihi
Laura Niwa
Production Manager
Frozen Jr

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Ashhurst Pohangina Football Club: SIGN UP FOR WINTER FOOTY!

The more the merrier, so come on and register! There's fun for every age, so let's get into it!

Ages 4-6 First Kicks play on Mondays at 3:30pm, starting Term 2.

Soccer ages 7 upwards games are on Saturdays and practices will depend on those who volunteer to coach. (We love our coaches!).

This year we have the option of personalised hoodies with the new club logo and colours of Dark Green and Orange. These are heavily subsidised at only \$35 each so please ensure you fill out your size and name/nickname for printing.

You can do this now - got to the link below to register (or re-register) with the Ashhurst Pohangina Football Club.

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/279811>

Please make payment immediately and use your child's last name as reference.

If you have any questions about this email, please contact Ashhurst Pohangina Football Club, but keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information.

Kick Start hockey programme 2024

Aged Year 3 – 8

This Programme is designed for any Tamariki wanting to kick start their love for the game of hockey Or just want to dust off their skills from the summer break before the winter season starts. This programme is

great for both new players and experienced players.

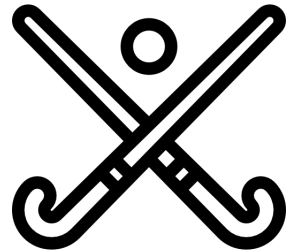
25th February – 10th March 9am-10am with a game day on Sunday 17th March.

\$60 per child. Please get in touch with Hannah if you have any questions,

pdo@hockeymanawatu.org.nz or

click the link below or head to our website to register.

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/50b3bd>



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Ōroua Junior Badminton Club

Ōroua Junior Badminton Club begins on Tuesday March 12 for ages 7 and up. Club nights are Tuesdays during school terms, 6pm - 7:15pm, at the Feilding Civic Centre, until the end of Term 3 in September. \$5.00 per night. **First night free!** Club racquets are available. Please wear non-marking footwear. For more information, please contact David Wasley on 0212491150.



Netball Manawatu RE: Notice of Annual General Meeting

This is to advise all clubs, schools and members that our 2024 AGM will be held as follows:

Date: Friday 22nd March 2024

Time: 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start

Venue: Vautier Park, Palmerston North

All nomination forms. Remits or general business items must be returned to the office no later than **4pm Saturday 2nd March 2024** and can be forwarded to michaela@netballmanawatu.org.nz

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Weet Bix Kids Tryathlon

Tuesday 19th March 2024

Ongley Park - Palmerston North

Enter online <https://tryathlon.co.nz/>

(no school group this year, just enter as individuals)

Distances are approximate and are as follows;

- 6 year olds 50m swim / 1.5km run
- 7 year olds 50m swim / 4km cycle / 1.5km run
- 8 - 10 year olds 75 - 100m swim / 4km cycle / 1.5km run
- 11 - 15 year olds 150 - 200m swim / 8km cycle / 1.5 km run

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