



Wednesday Newsletter

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Kaitiakitanga-Manaakitanga-Mahi Tahi-Takakawe

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13th August 2025 - Week 5 Term 3

Share and Care

Whole School: TBA



Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

It has been another busy and productive week at Mount Biggs School. The classrooms have been full of great mahi, with our tamariki showing focus and enthusiasm in their learning. Even though the weather has been cold, it has been great to see the children making the most of their breaks and enjoying time outside playing together. You will have noticed the traffic management in place around the school over the past couple of weeks. Thank you for your patience and understanding while this work is completed — we appreciate everyone's care and cooperation in keeping our tamariki safe.

Last week, we had some of our wonderful senior and junior students go to Kind Hearts in Palmerston North. These sessions were a real highlight, as the children explored the importance of kindness, empathy, and looking after others. It was a powerful reminder of how small actions can make a big difference in someone's day. Thank you to Colleen for organising this for us.

Our three Year 5–6 teams represented us proudly at the Manawātū Inter-School Orienteering Champs. The girls' team of Emmi, Laney, and Hayley placed 3rd overall, the boys' team of Bruce, Declan, and Walter came 7th, and the team of Odin, Toby K, and Harrison B placed 13th. For most of these students, it was their first time competing, and the weather conditions certainly added to the challenge! A huge thank you to Kate W for training the children, and to Grant W and Sarah P for providing transport.

On Friday, our students also took part in the Mathex competition in Palmerston North. This fast-paced maths problem-solving event was a fantastic experience for the children, who competed with determination and great teamwork. Well done to all involved, and thank you to the parents and caregivers who provided transport. We appreciate all of your support.

Winter Sport is coming to an end. Hockey, basketball have finished, as have some netball grades. A big congratulations to all of the children who committed to a sports team this season. We hope that you enjoyed your sport and have learnt and developed some new skills. A massive thank you to all of the volunteers who have coached and managed teams this season. We appreciate the time you give to our tamariki to make these opportunities possible. Also a huge thank you the parents, caregiver, and whānau for your support each week.

Last week, nominations for the Board of Trustees closed. Thank you to everyone who has shown an interest in joining our Board. Voting information will be sent out via email on August 13 along with candidate profiles. Please keep an eye on your inbox (and your Spam folder, just in case) for this important information.

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Stay Connected!

For event updates and reminders, please keep an eye on:

- ✓ Newsletter & Emails
- ✓ Skool Loop App
- ✓ School Facebook Page

We are also a School Docs school. You can view the school policies and procedures via the School Docs website (link below). You can also give feedback on policies that are up for review.

<https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/>

User Name: mountbiggs

Password: empowering

We're looking forward to a great term ahead, filled with learning, fun, and community connection. As always, if you have any questions or need support, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Ngā mihi nui,
Kyle Harris,
Tumuaki/Principal – Mount Biggs School.

Please add to your calendar



Teachers Only Day Term 3 2025

- Friday 19th September (week 10 Term 3)

Teachers Only Day Term 4 2025

- Friday 24th October (week 3 Term 4)

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IMPORTANT NOTICES - PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING are **DUE BACK**

- KAPA HAKA Notices Due Back this Friday

IN BRIEF

FOOTBALL NOTICES Will go out on Monday

Kainui football notices will go home on Monday with the students involved. Please can we have back on the Friday 22nd August

BOT ELECTIONS Early September

Please see timetable below

LAMBS WANTED?

If you are looking for a lamb for Ag Day, please let Louise know as there are some coming up.

CALENDAR DATES

Term 3 (14th July - 19th Sep) 10 weeks

July

14th - Term 3 starts
14th Year 7/8 Technology starts
16th - Plant to Plate Rm 1
18th - TEACHER ONLY DAY
23rd - Ki O Rahi Tournament (Year 5-8)
29th - BOT Meeting @ 5.45pm
30th - Kainui Netball (Year 5-8)
31st - Home & School Meeting @ 3pm

August

4th - Lunch today instead of Tuesday
5th - Kind Hearts Junior Event (Year 1 & 3)
6th - Kind Hearts Senior Event (Year 5 & 7)
8th - MATHEX & Orienteering Years 5-8
20th - Kainui Kapa Haka Cultural Day
26th-28th - Life Education Bus
29th - Daffodil Day

September

2nd - BOT Meeting @ 5.45pm
3rd - Kainui Football
4th - Home & School Meeting @ 6pm
10th - Kainui Junior Dance (NE-Year 3)
10th - Year 7 Immunisation
11th - Kainui Speeches
17th - WIG Wednesday (instead of 10th)
19th - TEACHER ONLY DAY
19th - End of Term 3

Payments for school accounts & lunches

12 - 3143 - 0188518 - 00 Reference: Surname & Stationery etc

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Need a Babysitter ?

Alicia Transom is looking
for baby sitting jobs.



Ex pupil...very reliable and lovely with kids
Phone Alicia on 022 0812089



Mt Biggs School AG Day 2025 **Thursday 23rd October**



*Information about the day, hall exhibits, timetable etc... will
be sent out this term in the next few weeks*

***BUT just letting everyone know Lambs, Kids and Calves are to be
born between 1st July and 15th September.***

***If you need books to keep a diary please see Louise
We have special 'Junior Diaries' for Years NE-2***

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Make a difference

UP DATE @ 13th August

Nominations closed last week

We are looking for 5 parent representatives and we have 10 candidates so we will be having a vote.

Voting forms, voting information and candidate statements will be emailed out TODAY (Wed 13th August) from Election Pilot

Candidates: Mike Atkins; Ben Boyden; Selina Brightwell; Kylie Frost; Blair Hayward; Nikki Houlahan; Brad Nichols; Ryley Short; Trent Smith; Angela Transom

*Once again if you **haven't** received any emails from Election Pilot please let Louise know ASAP*

Election Timetable

- Friday 18th July **Call for Nominations**
- Wednesday 6th August (12 noon) **Nominations Close**
 - **Wednesday 13th August Voting Papers Issued**
- Wednesday 10th September **Election Day (poll closes 4pm)**
- Tuesday 16th September **Votes Counted & Results Declared**
 - Wednesday 17th September **New Board Takes Over**

*You will be sent an electronic voting paper (from Election Pilot/Hail)
PLEASE let Louise know if you do not receive an email on Wednesday 13th August
or if you prefer a paper copy*

Any questions you are more than welcome to ask Louise.

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Term 2 Sports

Netball

Year 3/4

Saturday 9th August

The team had another great win. So nice to see everyone working together.
Player of the day Scarlett Atkins



Year 5/6 Red

Saturday 2nd August

We were up against the top of the table team this week, the team worked hard in defence to battle preventing goals. We lost 27-2 to NSS Tainui. Big thanks to Harley-Quinn for stepping up to help us out!



Player of the day this week goes to Hayley Brightwell, playing GD Hayley worked tirelessly and gave it everything in the defence circle and mid court nabbing those intercepts perfectly, well done!.

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Year 5/6 Red

Saturday 9th Aug

We had a great game today. The girls really fought hard in defence resulting in multiple held balls and we worked incredibly well in attack, getting that ball down the court, and setting up in the circle like we practiced, so close to a win!

Final score 9-10 to MSS Huia



Congratulations Emmi Webb our player of the day today for the hard work in the circle you did everything we practiced to a tee, also worked really hard getting some great intercepts mid court today!

Year 7/8 -Monday Night Intermediate Team

Monday 11th August

What a great way to finish the season!

Score 19-3 to us

Player of the day - Whole team

The Year 7/8 netball team have improved every game this season and ended with a fantastic win on Monday night against Newbury. They worked well as a team with everyone giving their best. Lots of intercepts and rebounds on defense and the shooters were on point. Great work team!



Missing from photo
William Whittaker Brown

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Congratulations to our amazing Feilding Saturday Morning Rugby students

We have some awesome kids that play rugby on Saturday but a very special congrats to the following ...



Rugby Prize Giving

Year 1:

Team awards

Chase Carter - Player of the Year

Year 2:

Team awards:

Nico McBride - Best tackler

Millie Hastings - Most improved

Toby Nelson - Most enthusiastic



Year 3:

Team awards:

Antoni Purgal - Player of the year + Overall player of the year cup for the year 3 grade. (first year Antoni has played Rugby)

Year 4:

Team Awards:

Flynn McBride - Player of the year



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Job Opportunity Work from home.....

Dane Wells Funnytelemarker.nz

Dane is looking for mums and Dads to do cold calling to set up appointments.

Dane does 1 appointment every 45 minutes.

Pay is \$25 p/hour (kpi is 1 appointment every 2 hours) or can talk contracting.

Training will be given via voice on video meetings

Email Dane@funnttelemarketer.nz or Ring 022 6378387

THE EGG FUNDRAISER THE EGG PROJECT

This is such an EASY way to support the school

BASICALLY order & pay for your weekly eggs online through the EGG PROJECT -you can either have a weekly order or a fortnightly order ...they are delivered to school (you can pick up Thursday morning)

Prices are the cheaper than supermarkets (plus eggs are fresher)

OUR school GETS \$1 for every dozen sold.



These are cheaper than supermarket eggs by approx \$1-\$3 per carton (depending on size of egg)

Easy to sign up (go to webpage) www.theeggproject.co.nz and sign up for either weekly or fortnightly deliveries

(no deliveries over school hols)

Our school code is SCH-007

Get your family, friends, and neighbours to join

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Budding Entrepreneur
Have a look at the products in the Office....

3D Printing by Lucas Webster

Lucas has started a wee business making 3D printed objects. He has the following available now but can also take orders.
If you would like to buy or order please see Lucas (or Louise in the office) Thank you.



Wolf Head \$5
(3 black in stock)



Swords \$30
(1 red in stock; 1 black in stock)



Hourglass Fidget \$10
(1 red over black & 1 black over red in stock)



Small Cone Fidget \$8



Cone Fidgets Small \$8 Large \$12
(Cone small 3 red over black & 3 black over red)
(Cone large 4 red over black & 1 black)

New Colours Coming Soon

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Need Help with Accounts??
Selina could be the answer...



Kia ora Mount Biggs whānau!

Are you looking for a friendly, reliable helping hand with your accounts, bookkeeping, payroll, or admin?

I'm Selina – Hayley from Room 1's mum – and I genuinely enjoy working with numbers and keeping things running smoothly behind the scenes! While I currently work part-time at an accounting firm in Palmy, I'm also offering my services to local families and businesses.

A little about my background: I've been bookkeeping for over 5 years, I'm a Xero Certified Advisor, and I hold a Bachelor's degree majoring in Management. If you'd like to see my CV, I'd be more than happy to send it through.

My rates are very reasonable, and I'm always happy to have a chat about how I can best support you or your business.

Feel free to email me at selinabrightwell@gmail.com or give me a call on 022 061 4634.

**Ngā mihi,
Selina Brightwell**

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MSRA Quiz Night - Roof Fundraiser

MSRA Range, 61 Totara Rd, Palmerston North

Saturday 23rd August 2025

Doors open at 6.30, Quiz starts 7.00pm

\$60 per team entry

Make up a Team of up to 6 players
and come show us how clever you are!

Spot prizes, Raffles, Mystery Auctions

A Bar will run for purchase of wine, beer, cider, soft drinks.

Water and food provided. Cash / Eftpos on site.

EMAIL your ENTRY to: msraquiz@gmail.com

or sign up online: <https://shorturl.at/JBlTc>



and pay the entry fee by 16th August

Limited to 26 teams so get in quick!

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MSRA Quiz Night Entry Form

Team Name: _____

Number of members: _____ (Up to 6)

Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

Mobile: _____

By submitting this entry form you are agreeing to
pay the \$60 entry fee by 16th August.

Account: Manawatu Smallbore Rifle Association
06-0746-0251746-00
Use your TEAM NAME and QUIZ as references

Email to **msraquiz@gmail.com** by 16 August

Entries are limited and will be accepted on a first-in basis.
The organisers reserve the right to decline an entry at their discretion.

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INDOOR BOWLS Winter Season

Mt Biggs School Hall @ 7.15pm



*Everyone is welcome, including beginners. No cost the first night.
Come along and have a go...great fun*

For more information contact Rod on 06 3293916


DanceFit
2025

DanceFit is BACK at Halcombe Memorial Hall!

Shake off the stress and move with us!
Every Thursday from 7 Aug to 25 Sept, 6:15-7:15pm
Halcombe Memorial Hall
\$5 per person - Doors open at 6:00pm
All fitness levels welcome - come for the fun, stay for the glow!
No bookings needed - just show up and dance it out.

August & September confirmed dates

A u g u s t	S e p t e m b e r
7 August 6:15 - 7:15	4 September 6:15 - 7:15
14 August 6:15 - 7:15	11 September 6:15 - 7:15
21 August 6:15 - 7:15	18 September 6:15 - 7:15
28 August 6:15 - 7:15	25 September 6:15 - 7:15

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Feilding Craft Market is back in October

Friday 10th & Saturday 11th October 2025

(biggest indoor market in New Zealand)

Print & Save the following flyer for \$2 off entrance fee

NZ's Largest Indoor Craft Market



Feilding Craft Market

Manfeild Stadium – Feilding

October 10th & 11th

9am – 4pm

Spot prizes of \$50 Vouchers

Entry: \$10 adults – under 12 free

Bring this in for \$2 off entry price

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Manawatū River Catchments Collective Mangaone West Catchment Wetland Planting Day

Date: Sunday 31 August, 10am

Venue: Mangaone Road

**We need your help to plant out a
newly fenced off wetland area**

Meet at the sheds of 705 Mangaone Road ready to convoy down to the wetland area following a health and safety briefing for the day. Some tools will be supplied but if you have a suitable shovel please bring along. Decent footwear required gumboots/waders.

A BBQ will be provided post planting.



**A good level of fitness is required to walk out to
the area and navigate around the waterways.**

RSVP to Fiona Burke:

coordinatormrcc@gmail.com

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CRICKET TERM 4 - see below

**WANT
TO PLAY
CRICKET?**

ARE YOU AGED 5-10?

\$25 per term

**SMASH
CRICKET**

MON - PALMY NORTH
TUE - ASHHURST WED
- FEILDING & P N
THU - DVIRKE & PAHIATUA
FRI - FEILDING

For more info scan QR code



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Registrations are open for smash cricket. We had great growth in term 1 and we are looking forward to seeing more tamariki experience cricket in a more fun and engaging way! Please see information below;

For younger tamariki (school Years 1-4);

Smash Play or Smash IT! programmes (flyer attached)

Information can be found on our website -

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/mca/smash-cricket/smash-cricket?em=1>

Players will register directly with MCA.

For older tamariki (school years 5-8);

Smash Yard! Cricket (flyer attached)

Register via school system. School contact to provide number of students wanting to play via google form - <https://forms.gle/T7TV3KDvhqf84fDn6>

We don't need players names or contact details, all comms will be via schools. We will invoice you for the number of students you register (\$25 per student). If you want to charge more to assist your sports budget, that is up to you! You don't need to create teams, provide coaches or managers. Just sign them up and send them our way!

Information on our website for Smash Yard! and YEAH! Girls Smash (girls only programme).

Smash Yard! -

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/mca/smash-cricket/smash-yard-1?em=1>

YEAH! Girls -

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/mca/smash-cricket/yeah-girls-smash?em=1>

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SHEMOZZLE

HUNTERVILLE HUNTAWAY FESTIVAL

Children's Shemozzle

Important Dates:

Entries Open: 9.00am 31st August

Race Day: 1st November

Races:

Year 3 to 5 at school? Junior Race

Year 6 to 8 at school? Intermediate Race

Year 9 to 13 at school? Teen Race

More Information:

Web Site: www.shemozzle.co.nz

Facebook: Hunterville Huntaway Festival

E mail: info@shemozzle.co.nz

HAVE YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES?

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FRIDAY 3 OCTOBER 2025 10AM - 3PM

FEILDING

RURAL DAY

WHEN COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN!



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NZSC Manawatu Tough Kid® Challenge 2026

SAVE THE DATE

Mount Biggs School, with the support of Sport Manawatu,
would like you to SAVE THE DATE for
NZSC Manawatu Tough Kid® Challenge 2026.

FRIDAY MARCH 27th 2026



Registration opens February 2026



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