Wednesday Newsletter

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11th November 2026 - Term 4 Week 5

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

It is hard to believe that we are nearly halfway through Term 4! The weeks are certainly flying by, and it has been another incredibly busy start to the term. There is so much happening around our kura, and it is wonderful to see our tamariki continuing to work hard, get involved, and make the most of the many opportunities available to them. We have some exciting events coming up this week, and plenty more to look forward to as we head towards the end of the school year.

A Special Birthday for Louise! Last week, we celebrated a very special birthday for our wonderful Louise! We are incredibly fortunate to have Louise as part of our Mount Biggs team. The amazing job she does for our school, our tamariki, our staff, and our whānau is something we are all extremely grateful for.

Louise is often the person behind the scenes making sure everything runs smoothly, looking after everyone, and going above and beyond to help wherever she can. Her kindness, dedication, and willingness to do so much for others make her a very special part of our school community.

We hope you had a fantastic birthday, Louise! Thank you for everything you do. We really do appreciate you!

Behind the scenes, we have been busy planning and preparing for the 2027 school year. There is plenty to consider as we look at how our school will operate next year, and we are looking forward to sharing some exciting news with you soon about what Mount Biggs School will look like in 2027. A big thank you to everyone who completed our intentions survey last term. This information is incredibly valuable as we plan our classes, staffing, and resources for next year.

If your circumstances have changed, or if you now know that your child will not be attending Mount Biggs School in 2027, please let us know as soon as possible. Even if you are still unsure of your plans, it is helpful for us to know. Of course, we would love to see all of our tamariki and whānau continue to be part of our amazing kura!

Thank you for helping us with this important planning.

This week, we are holding a very special Celebration Day to remember and celebrate the lives of August, Hugo and Goldie.We are looking forward to an afternoon filled with fun, laughter, and activities that reflect the things these three much-loved tamariki enjoyed. Our senior students will be running a range of games and activities, and there will also be inflatables, face painting, a free sausage sizzle, and ice creams for everyone to enjoy. We will also be unveiling a beautiful memorial bench seat, which will have a special place at our school and provide a lasting reminder of August, Hugo and Goldie.

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This afternoon is about coming together as a school community, remembering three very special children, and celebrating the happiness, energy, and joy they brought to those around them.

We warmly invite all of our parents, caregivers, and whānau to join us. If you are able to make it, we would love to see you there. It will be a meaningful afternoon for our school community, and we are looking forward to sharing it with you.

We also have our School Athletics Day this Friday at Timona Park. Our tamariki have been busy practising their athletics skills over the past few weeks, and it has been fantastic to see the enthusiasm and effort they have been putting into their preparation. Athletics Day is always a great opportunity for our children to challenge themselves, give things a go, and support one another. Whether it is running, jumping, or throwing, we encourage all of our tamariki to do their best, show perseverance, and enjoy being part of the day. We are looking forward to seeing some fantastic performances, plenty of encouragement, and our school values on display. Parents, caregivers, and whānau are very welcome to come along and support our tamariki. Hopefully, the weather plays its part, and we have another wonderful day together.

Stay Connected!
For event updates and reminders, please keep an eye on:
✅ **Newsletter & Emails**
✅ **Skool Loop App and Website**
✅ **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

With so much happening this week, it is certainly going to be a busy one! We are looking forward to celebrating our tamariki, enjoying the opportunities ahead, and continuing to make the most of our final term together.

Thank you, as always, to our incredible staff, parents, caregivers, Board, Home and School, and wider community for the ongoing support you give our kura. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful school community.

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

Payments for school accounts & lunches

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

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

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IN BRIEF

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

School accounts are being emailed out over the next few weeks

PLEASE can ALL accounts be paid in full by Wednesday 25th November. Thank you

TOUCH RUGBY RESULTS

We love seeing the results in the newsletter (win or loose) Please remember to send them in PLUS the player of day, so I can pop in the fortnightly newsletter.

NEWSLETTER & BULLETIN

As the term is getting busier for teachers, we will only be sending out the Newsletter (on odd weeks - so fortnightly as per usual) Class certificate photos will be included in the Newsletter.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

Order forms went home today for scholastic book orders.. Please have these back by Wednesday next week, in time for Christmas presents.

CALENDAR DATES

Term 4 (12 October - 15 December)
10 weeks

October

Monday 12th - *Term 4 starts*
Tuesday 13th - *Welcome Pōwhiri for all students starting in Term 4*
Wednesday 14th - *Kainui Speech Winners Competition @ night*
Friday 16th - TEACHER ONLY DAY
Monday 19th - *AG Day Week*
Tuesday 20th - *ALL pet diaries by 9am*
Thursday 22nd - *ALL Indoor Exhibits into the hall by 9am / Floral arrangement flowers etc to classrooms.*
Friday 23rd - AG DAY
Monday 26th - Labour Day Holiday
Tuesday 27th - *BOT meeting (Week 3)*
Thursday 29th *- School Photos*
Friday 30th - *Room 4 William Pike Challenge*

November

Tuesday 3rd - *Pizza Lunch*
Wednesday 11th - Fun *Celebration Afternoon*
Friday 13th - *School Athletics*
Thursday 19th *- Kainui Senior Athletics*
Wednesday 25th - *Kainui Junior Athletics*
Friday 27th - *Kainui Year 8 Day Out*

December

Wednesday 2nd - *Home & School AGM*
Wednesday 2nd *- Year 8 Dinner*
Thursday 3rd *- BOT Meeting (Week 8)*
Tuesday 15th - Final Assembly / Finish Term

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Touch Rugby Results



Year 0-2 Mt Biggs GREEN
Week 2: 30 Oct Lost 6/7
POD: Stevie
Week 3: 5 Nov Won 6/3
POD: Harper

Year 0-2 Mt Biggs BLUE
Week 2: 30 Oct
POD:
Week 3: 5 Nov
POD:



Year 3-4 Mt Biggs ORANGE
Week 2: 30 Oct
POD:
Week 3: 5 Nov
POD:



Year 3-4 Mt Biggs RED
Week 2: 30 Oct Won 4-1
POD: Eeuwe
Week 3: 5 Nov Drew 4-4
POD: Jordan

Year 5-6 Mt Biggs YELLOW
Week 2: 30 Oct Colyton 6-3 Lost
POD: Walter
Week 3: 5 Nov LSS 3-3 Drew
POD: Harrison Bartley



Year 5-6 Mt Biggs PURPLE
Week 2: 30 Oct
POD:
Week 3: 5 Nov
POD:

Year 7-8 Mt Biggs BLACK
Week 2: 30 Oct Lost
POD: Riley
Week 3: 5 Nov Lost
POD: Declan

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Anyone who entered a calf or a lamb into our Ag Day can compete at the Interschools Champion Day this Saturday…you just need to register



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School Certificates

Room 1	
Week 3	Week 4
	

Room 2	
Week 3	Week 4
	

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Room 1	
Week 3	Week 4
	

Room 4	
Week 3	Week 4
	

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Community News



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Christmas Is Coming sooner than you think....



Time to think about Christmas presents…
Check out these local markets in November for great ideas…

'Twas The Night Before Christmas'
Night Market
Thursday 12th November
5pm to 9pm *Free entry*
PN Library and George Street





Levin Christmas Market
Saturday 14th November
9am to 3pm *Free entry*
Horowhenua Events Centre and Showgrounds

Crosshills Garden Country Fair
Saturday 21st November
9am to 4pm *$20 adult*
Kimbolton, Manawatu



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