Wednesday Newsletter

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30th April 2025 - Week 1 Term 2

Share and Care
Whole School: TBA

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

Welcome back! We hope all of our tamariki had a fantastic break. Term 2 is shaping up to be another busy and exciting term full of learning and opportunities.

Over the holidays, the hedge was removed from the front of the school. It was very impressive to watch the contractors at work. A big thank you to our wonderful neighbours, Ailie and Kallum, for providing access through their property — we truly appreciate your support. We're excited to see how this area develops in the future!

On the first Sunday of the break, the Mahua Trail Ride was held. This was a fantastic event, and we are incredibly grateful to Mike and Ryley Short for running it and for their generous donation of the proceeds to Mount Biggs School. The event raised a massive $4,375.00! Thank you also to the amazing Home and School volunteers who helped with marshalling, BBQ, and general support on the day.

We were very proud to have around 12 children and their whānau represent Mount Biggs School at the Feilding ANZAC Day dawn service. A group of senior students laid a wreath on behalf of the school. Thank you to everyone who came along to honour and remember.

Next week, we're excited to welcome the House of Bricks to Mount Biggs on Thursday. This will be a hands-on, creative day where students will work in rotations to develop their teamwork and problem-solving skills using LEGO. It promises to be a lot of fun! A big thank you to Home and School for making this day possible.

On Friday, 16 May (Week 3), we'll be holding our School Cross Country. This is always a fantastic day for everyone. Classes have already started training, so please look out for more information in next week's newsletter and from classroom teachers. Tamariki wanting to be considered for the Kainui Cluster team and interschool events may want to start doing some extra training at home.

Finally, winter sports are kicking off this week. It's wonderful to see so many of our students getting involved. A massive thank you to Louise for all the organisation she has done. It is a mammoth task sorting out all of the sports teams. Also, a huge thank you to the coaches, managers, and referees who are giving up their time to support our children — we truly appreciate your contribution. Let's make sure we are showing respect and gratitude to all helpers and teammates throughout the season. Best of luck and enjoy the games ahead!

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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

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

Welcome back to Term 2

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

- **Year 8 Bowlarama notices DUE this Friday**
- **Lucky Book Club DUE Next Wed 7th May**

IN BRIEF

WEAR GREEN TOMORROW- THURSDAY 1st May
- In support of support staff (see below)

PINK SHIRT DAY - Thursday 15th May
Pink Shirt day falls on Friday 16th May, but we will support this the day before (as we have school cross country 16th)
Gold coin donation to the office.

CALENDAR DATES
Term 2 (28th April - 27th June) 9 weeks

April
28th - Term 2 starts

May
7th - Year 8 Kainui Bowlarama Fun Day
8th - House of Bricks visit
15th - Pink Shirt Day
16th - School Cross Country
26th - Book Character Day

June
2nd - Kings Birthday Public Holiday
4th - Kainui Cross Country
10th - Planting Thompson's Farm
12th - Home & School Meeting
20th - Matariki Public Holiday
25th - Kainui Rippa
27th - End of Term 2

Payments for school accounts & lunches

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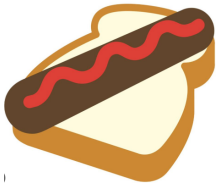
SCHOLASTIC

Book Clubs

Order forms went home today
Due back next Wednesday 7th May

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Term 2 Lunches on Tuesdays



9 x weeks

Sausages $2

Baking $2



Payments can be made into the school account or cash to Louise. Thank you

Mt Biggs School Cross Country



Friday 16th May (@ approx 1pm) Week 3

Held next door on the Brown's farm

Students to wear their HOUSE colours



Home & School are kindly supplying Milo & Baking for the students after they finish their race...



It would be great if we had a few parents help out with baking please. If you can please let Louise know. Thank you

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Wear GREEN in support of our amazing SUPPORT STAFF

Tomorrow Thursday 1st May.

NZEI are currently in discussions with the government to ensure that our support staff are paid fairly and are valued throughout our profession.

During in-school discussions, teachers highlighted priority areas for claims – and one thing that came through strongly was that support staff need to be valued.

On 1 May (May Day or International Workers' Day), you can get behind your support staff and kaiārahi i te reo **by wearing green** and asking whānau to **sign our support staff open letter** – we're aiming to get to 20k signatures!

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Term 2 Sports - Just a reminder

Netball

Saturday Morning Netball

FSMN 2025 Competition Information

The 2025 FSMN Competition will begin on 3 May 2025. Registration is done through your School or Club who will enter the teams.

There will be three weeks of grading games. Each team will play two games per week. Grading games are two halves of ten minutes each half.

The Round Robin competition begins on Saturday 24 May and runs for 10 weekends, with exceptions for King's Birthday weekend and the middle and last Saturday of the School holidays. Check out our Calendar tab at the top of this page for exact dates.

FSMN play 7-a-side netball from Year 3. The Junior Grade competition is decided on points, while the Senior Grade is determined through a Finals round. For more details, check out the Competition Rules.
The Junior Grade is school Year 3 & Year 4 while the Senior Grade is school Year 5 & 6.

Year 3/4 Mt Biggs
Laken, Madeline, Scarlett, Lexi, Eva, Maggie, Dixie & Alice Parkinson
Coach: Becky Ballingall
Manage: Fiona Thompson
Umpire: Alex Atkins or Becky Ballingall
Practice: Thursdays lunchtime @ school outdoor turf
Cost: $30 per player
Starts: 3 May

Year 5/6 Mt Biggs RED
Macy, McKenzie, Molly, Emmi, Caoimhe, Georgiana, Hayley & Laney
Coach: Ryley Short
Manage: Tammie Boyden
Umpire: Sarah Parkinson
Practice: Fridays after school @ 3pm
Cost: $30 per player

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Starts: 3 May

Year 5/6 Mt Biggs PURPLE
Alex, London, Harley-Quinn, Odin, Violet, Thomas, Willow & Freya
Coach: Katie Duff
Manage: Clare Thomas
Umpire: Clare Thomas
Practice: Fridays lunchtime (subject to change)
Cost: $30 per player
Starts: 3 May

Monday Night Netball - Intermediate

Year 7 & 8	
Day of Week	Monday
Competition Times	4.15pm, 5.10pm, 6.05pm
Venue	Vautier Park, Palmerston North
Date	Game
5-May 25	Grading 1
12-May 25	Grading 2
19-May 25	Round 1 Game 1
26-May 25	Round 1 Game 2
2-Jun 25	*Kings Birthday-No GAMES*
9-Jun 25	Round 1 Game 3
16-Jun 25	Round 1 Game 4
23-Jun 25	Round 1 Game 5
30-Jun 25	School Holidays – NO GAMES
7-Jul 25	School Holidays – NO GAMES
14-Jul 25	Round 2 Game 1
21-Jul 25	Round 2 Game 2
28-Jul 25	Round 2 Game 3
4-Aug 25	Round 2 Game 4
11-Aug 25	Round 2 Game 5
18-Aug 25	Finals
19-Aug 25	GRAND FINALS

Year 7/8 Mt Biggs
Evie, Harriet, Ashleigh, Spencer, William WB, Alexis, Addison, Laylah & Noah
Coach: Lou Gilbert & Kristie Wackildene
Manage: Kristi Whittaker
Umpire:
Practice: Thursday lunchtime
Cost: $90 per player
Starts: 5 May
We will need someone to umpire

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Basketball

Thursday Afternoon Basketball - Primary

Year 3/4 Mt Biggs RED
Beauden, Flynn, Lucas, Riley, Nico & Laken
Coach: Drew McBride
Manage: Katie McBride
Practice: Wednesdays lunchtime in hall
Cost: $101 per player
Starts: Thursday 8th May

Year 3/4 Mt Biggs BLUE
August,Jono, Levi, Hudson Short, Wolffie & Toby N
Coach: Mike Short
Manage:
Practice: Wednesdays lunchtime in hall
Cost: $101 per player
Starts: Thursday 8th May

Year 5/6 Mt Biggs PURPLE
Hayley, Harrison Bryant, Violet, Vincent, Toby K & Odin
Coach: Selina Brightwell
Manage:
Practice: Tuesday lunchtimes in the hall
Cost: $101 per player
Starts: Thursday 8th May

Year 5/6 Mt Biggs GREEN
Toby T, Declan, Macy, Hudson Southee, Jack, Walter & Willow
Coach: Fiona Thompson
Manage: Chris Gilbert
Practice: Tuesday afternoons @ 3pm in school hall
Cost: $101 per player
Starts: Thursday 8th May

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Friday Afternoon Basketball - Intermediate

Year 7/8 Mt Biggs-Hiwinui
Evie, Spencer, Ollie, Esther, Sammi (Hiwnui), Edi (Hiwinui) & Dylan (Hiwinui)
Coach: Andrew (Hiwinui)
Manage:
Practice: Hiwinui School (Mt Biggs Hall if wet 4pm) Tuesdays
Cost: $101 per player (pay to school) **PLUS NZ Basketball Levy of $5 paid directly to them**
Starts: Friday 9th May

THIS IS ANOTHER BIG PUSH FOR

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.

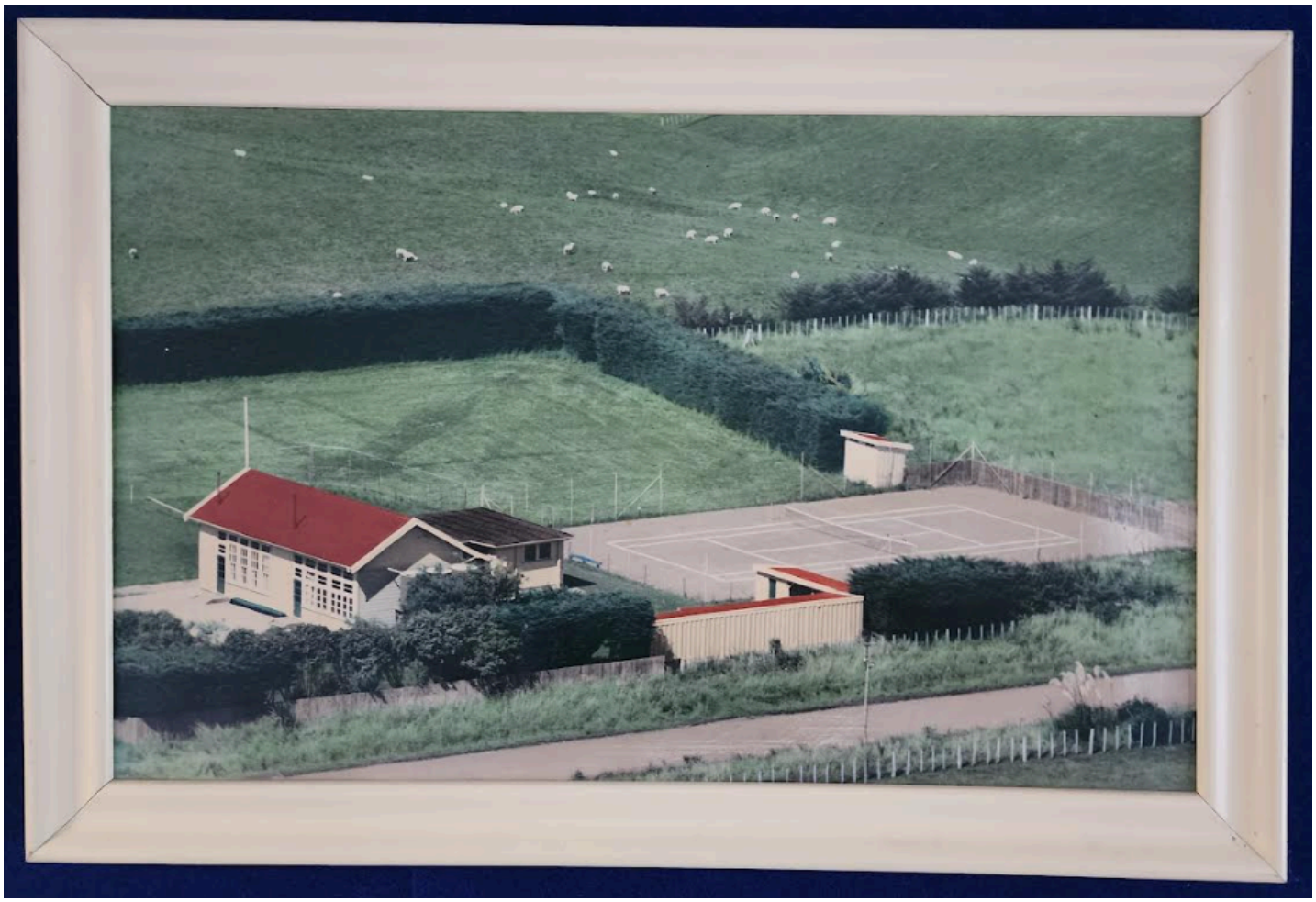


These are cheaper than supermarket eggs by approx $1-$3 per carton (depending on size of egg)

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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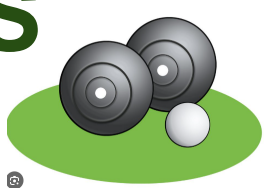


We now have the photo of the original school hanging up in the office.
Our little school certainly has grown over the years, but we still have a few features left of the original…part of the school and the building where we have our hangout room, tennis court and the shed!
If you are not sure where the shed is located now, it's over by the water tanks (this was the third time the shed has been located)...a little bit of school history to hang onto.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

INDOOR BOWLS
Winter Season



Starts Monday 14th April 2025
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

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OPEN DAY
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