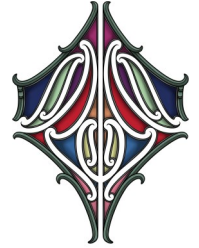




# Mokoia School Newsletter

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## Congratulations

Well done to Oli, Finn, Akanisa and Arlo, who were awarded for their hard work this week. Great job Cirilla and Tiaho, who won a principal prize.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

## Blue

Blue, our favourite Blue-Tongued Lizard, has been very active this week. He has been shedding his skin and in order to rub it off has been giving the class a wonderful display of lizardy dance moves. It's been very awesome to witness. If you have any snails, he would love to gobble them up— please send one or two in after Tuesday.



**Attendance** is key to learning at school. Thank you for making this a priority, and calling to let us know when your child is poorly and unable to attend school. It has made a big difference already to the way in which we are able to report absences to the Ministry of Education.

## Senior Class Teacher

This week Mrs. Davy will be working in the Senior class, Monday– Wednesday, while Whaea Evon attends pre-arranged meetings both on and off-site.

The rest of the staff will be in as usual.

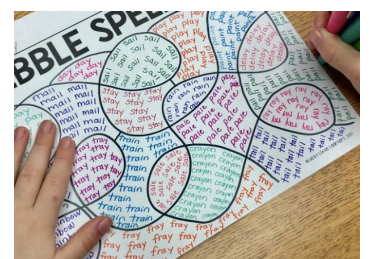
## Dates for Your Diary

### Term 1

<b>17, 31 May, 15 June,</b>	Bhana Cup Practices (Years 5-6)
<b>15 May</b>	PTA meeting 7pm
<b>16 May</b>	Community police officer visit.
<b>22 May</b>	Biodiversity Day bus leave at 8:45am
<b>23 May</b>	BOT meeting 7pm
<b>24 May</b>	World Book Day– c
<b>3 June</b>	King's birthday—school closed
<b>5 June</b>	Rippa Rugby Tournament (pp day 7 June)
<b>10 June</b>	Dance workshop– leave 9am on bus
<b>26 June</b>	Bhana Cup (pp 3 July)
<b>27 June</b>	Winter festival in Hawera 5-8pm
<b>28 June</b>	Matariki (school closed)
<b>5 July</b>	Last day of Term 2

## Home work—Ideas for Spelling

- Spell them in the car on journeys— even to and from school if you live far enough away
- Cover a sheet of paper with spellings in all sorts of directions and sizes
- Make a rainbow of the words— use one word for each colour and repeat it and repeat it
- Write them out, cut them up, and scramble the letters (or use scrabble tiles)
- Spread shaving foam on the table and write them in the foam



Try this website for lots of ideas for fun spelling ideas. <https://luckylittlelearners.com/word-work-activities/>

## Our Learning This Week

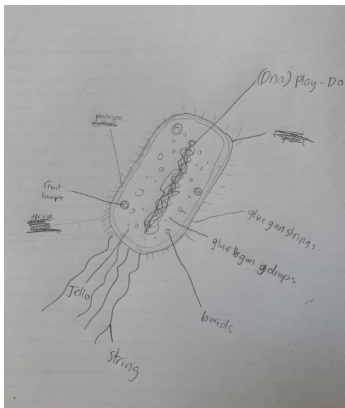


Wednesday was a fun day with all the frost. We went to the community garden, (where it was much warmer than we thought it would be) and had a great time interacting with nature. On a side note, anybody who wants two roosters (or knows anyone who does), please let us know.

We have spent a lot of time learning about what a catastrophe is (the maunga erupting, being eaten by dinosaurs, your leg falling off) and what a mildly irritating thing is ("that person looked at me," "my pencil needs to be sharpened" and "I can't find the rubber" being our top three!).

The children have been learning about following instructions and creating instructions for others to follow. The Seniors learned about "bossy verbs" that give you clear instructions.

Both classes have been learning about who the ANZACs are and the Seniors have been learning about Gallipoli, and then about WW2 and some of the things that contributed towards Germany's invasion of Poland.



The Seniors have continued their work on microbes and are now on to yeast and moulds. Ask them about their experiments this week.



The nice and smooth milk goes in a microwave that heats up and kill all the 'Pathogen' (Bad Bacteria) Pathogen is a Bacteria that can make you sick or ill. The milk gets a bacteria that can turn the yoghurt, its called "lacto Bacillus" (A good Bacteria) The lacto Bacillus makes a liquid named "lactic acid" That make the liquid milk turns to a thick mixture called 'yoghurt'.