



Macandrew Bay School



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Newsletter

8 May 2020

Kia ora koutou

Like me, I am sure you have followed with interest the announcements made by the Prime Minister this week about Level 2.

On Thursday the Prime Minister advised that in Alert Level 2 schools are safe environments for children, young people and staff and that additional public health control measures are in place to prevent the spread of disease and to support contact tracing.

The good news is that when we are able to, we will be ready to welcome all students and staff back to our school site. Once the decision is made to move to Level 2 schools would be able to return to normal operations at the start of the following week to give schools time to prepare classrooms and teaching programmes.

The key Public Health approach is to minimise the risk that someone gets infected in the first place, and second to ensure we can identify and contact anyone who has been in close contact with a person, if someone in a school is infected.

As we have done in Alert Level 3, you can be assured that in Alert Level 2 we will know who is at school, who our staff and students have been in close contact with and take appropriate measures to keep everyone safe.

Physical distancing is a good precaution to prevent the spread of disease, particularly when out in public and around strangers. We do however know it is very challenging in schools, so good hygiene practices and regular cleaning are even more important here. This includes staff and students coughing into their elbows, good handwashing and drying practices, and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces.

Under Alert Level 2 and 3, we advise any students and staff to stay at home if they are sick, and we will send anyone home immediately if they show any symptoms.

Our school has safe and sensible practices to maintain the health and safety of everyone on the school site. As described by Dr Payinda in his [NZ Herald article](#), "Covid's not measles or chickenpox, it doesn't hang in the air for hours waiting to infect passers-by. It travels on invisible drops of spit. You don't have to cross the street to avoid anyone. Just avoid getting in their 'moist breath' zone". We all just need to remember to have some breathing space at Alert Level 2!

For more information about the public health measures at Alert Level 2, you can visit the covid19.govt.nz website: <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

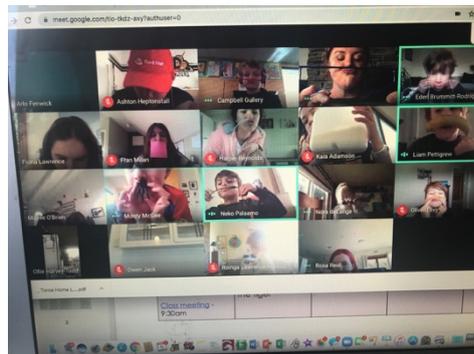
If you have any questions about our health and safety plan, or have a child who might be vulnerable to serious illness and would like to discuss a plan for them, please contact me.

We will be in touch again soon to update you on our plans, particularly once any decision to move to Level 2 is made by the government. In the meantime thanks for all your wonderful support and everything your family has done at Levels 3 and 4 to contribute to the position we find ourselves in as a country now. It is great to have had such low numbers of Covid-19 and none in the south for nearly 3 weeks now.

Ngā mihi
Bernadette

TEAM TOROA- YEAR 6 CLASS

Team Toroa have been busy this week! Mrs Ward and Mrs Hawker meet with us each morning. This week we had a scavenger hunt . That Team Toroa have been busy this week! Mrs Ward and Mrs Hawker meet with us each morning. This week we had a scavenger hunt . This was funny! Here we are when we had to find something to make a moustache with!



Toroa made insect sculptures from garden materials – there were many wonderful new insect varieties discovered! These are by Sophie and Olivia!



One of our writing tasks this week was to watch a Carpool Karaoke episode featuring James Cordon and Harry Styles. Then we had to write our own scripts and interview our favourite

singer on video! Thanks to the “willing” volunteers who helped! These gave us all a good laugh!!



We are keeping fit during our at home learning! This week Mrs Ward – asked us to write and demonstrate a fitness work out. We did a great job demonstrating our exercises. Here is Sophie showing us how to do a plank hold! What have you been doing to keep active?



Here is a recipe you may like to try from Owen – an idea for dessert in your bubble?

Today I made Geronimo Stilton Extra-chewy extra-chocolatey chocolate chip cookies. This is what I did:
Ingredients:
1/2 cup softened butter (113 g) 1/2 tsp vanilla
1/3 cup brown sugar 1- 1/4 cup plain flour
1/3 cup white sugar 1/2 tsp salt
1 egg 1/2 tsp baking soda
1 cup chocolate chips
Method:
I used an electric mixer to beat together the butter and sugar. I then added the egg and vanilla. In a separate bowl, I mixed together the flour, salt and baking soda. I stirred the flour mixture into the egg mixture using a wooden spoon and added the chocolate chips. Then, with my hands on a floured bench I rolled it into a log and put it in baking paper. I then put the log in the fridge for two hours.
After waiting for 2 hours I preheated the oven to 180 C and cut the log into 1.5 cm slices. I put the slices onto a tray covered in baking paper, leaving a little space between each slice. I baked them for 10 minutes. When the biscuits were finished baking I used a fish slice to put them on a wire cooling rack.
We are going to have the biscuits with vanilla ice cream for dessert tonight. !!YUM!!



This week we have learned the NZ Sign Language alphabet. Here is Neko signing the letter “N” as he spells his name. NZSL is one of three official languages in New Zealand. We aim to learn more phrases over the year!

We are very proud of the continued effort from the children and the creativity and enjoyment they are displaying! It’s been wonderful to have such fantastic support from families - thanks so much. Mrs Ward and Mrs Hawker!

KORIMAKO CLASS- YEAR 5

Korimako class and their teacher have become more accustomed to their online teaching environment in the last few weeks but Mr D is certainly looking forward to seeing them face to face and potentially launching a dodgeball or 2. The standard of work and creativity on display should be of great pride to the Korimako children and their families. This week we have an inspiring collection of autumnal poems.

Dolphins in Autumn by Macklin

A dolphin likes to splash
Underwater is the best place for a dolphin
The dolphin caught a fish
Umbrellas are not needed for dolphins
Manatees like to play with dolphins
Nets are bad for dolphins

Autumn by Carli



- Apples are now ready to eat
- Under the tree a special treat
- The leaves turn orange, yellow and red
- Until they fall of to my feet
- Morning is foggy and wet

Now it's time to see the sun set



Another day of lock
down.

Unleashed leaves
falling.

Towers of leaves on
the ground.

Under a naked tree.

Most kids are inside
doing homework.

Never ending days.



Felix

KAREAREA CLASS NEWS- Year 4

Kia ora from Kārearea,

We've had some fun learning activities this week. We are keeping fit with regular walks and doing some PE with Joe. We have been meeting up on Zoom each morning too.

We all look forward to seeing our friends soon in person, rather than on the screen.



Looks like Te Au has been busy and having lots of fun at home.



Making pencil holders, t-shirt bags and lots more....

This looks great Harper! Good recycling and technology learning.



What a great block tower you built Isaac and a fantastic photo of you knocking it down again too.



**We have been building towers... and knocking them down!
Good job Connor and Jason!**

We have also been writing and learning about cinquain poems.

Home...
Home
Dull, boring
Walking, skipping, jumping
Only fun when I'm baking,
House
By Maisie

Home
Quiet, fun
Biking, swimming, walking
I miss all my friends
Lockdown
By Jimmy

Bubble
Boring, active
Walking, biking, laughing
I wish it would end
Lockdown
By Lily W

Country
Green, lovely
Jumping, playing and dreaming
Rolling green hills surrounding me
Mr Baa Baa
By Amelia

Ralphy, Suki and Hank are having a great time pulling apart this scooter and learning mechanical skills.



MIRUMIRU BUBBLE CLASS AT SCHOOL THIS WEEK

We have had an enjoyable week at school this week. Some days we had 4 students at school and other days we had 7 children and 3 adults each day.

We have been doing some writing about autumn, creating paintings of our dying sunflowers in our school garden, creating ice-cream sundae recipes, making Mothers' day cards, zooming with our classmates and normal teachers, making treasure maps, composing music, reading books, building bridges, doing Maths problems, spelling on Steps, listening to stories, doing yoga, singing, doing PE with Joe, and just generally having a good time at school. The kids have also really loved playing outside on the field together at lunchtime too, running around (while keeping 2m distance).

Here is Rose's Autumn acrostic poem. What a great effort for a 5 year old!

Autumn

Under the ugly umbrella

The train goes click clack on the train tracks

Up in the trees the tui sing

May

Night time is for sleeping!

Here is Mila's Ice-cream sundae recipe: (It has an unusual ingredient- Woodraft icecream but you could swap it for your favorite ice-cream

Ingredients:

Woodraft ice-cream

Blueberries

Chocolate

Marshmallows

Cream

Method:

Put 2 small scoops of woodraft icecream into a tall glass

Then fill the glass with melted chocolate, cream, and then the berries and the marshmallows.

Enjoy- yum!

William loved designing an icecream sundae too. He had an amazing collection of ingredients that included sponge cake at the bottom, Russian fudge, jellybeans, caramel sauce, chocolate sauce, strawberries, marshmallows, raspberry icecream and sprinkles and cherries on top finished off the sundae. He would love to make this one day!

Campbell has enjoyed seeing his friends on zoom each day, and really enjoyed doing his painting of a sunflower, and composing a piece of music on the chromebook. He also taught us some dance moves that he has been learning at home.



Mila designed a fabulous hat at home using a recycled gift bag, Ti kouka leaves from the garden and decorative elements found around the house. Looks great Mila!
I love this photo on the next page of Lilly loving the feel of playing in the autumn leaves on a beautiful autumnal day at school!





TERRIFIC TUIS

LOOK AT THESE GORGEOUS POPPIES PIPER MADE FOR ANZAC DAY!



ELLA COMPLETED THE LEGO HOME LEARNING CHALLENGES THIS WEEK



HOPE IT FLOATS!



SAM BUILT A RAFT!

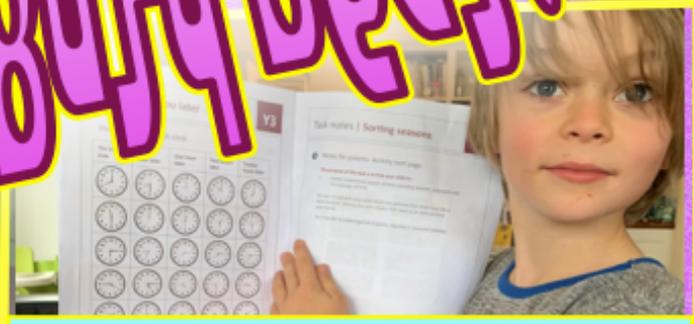
HAPPY BIRTHDAY LOUIS!



CREATIVE HAT!



Busy Bee!

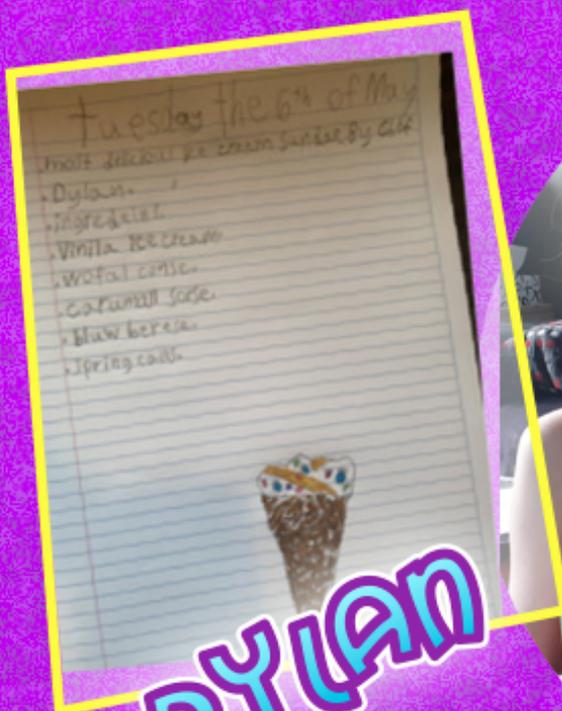


HUDSON HAS BEEN ENJOYING COMPLETING THE HOME LEARNING PACK- THANKS JACINDA!

It has been another busy week for Tui children! They have been completing a range of home learning tasks, that include; photography, steam challenges and activities to get their hearts pumping!

The children have enjoyed fun writing activities and particular favourites have been, 'design your own sundae' recipe and an acrostic poem.

We continue to enjoy our daily zooms together where we read books, play boggle and complete scavenger hunts! The children love when I hide a mystery object in a bag and they have to ask questions to discover what it is.....



DYLAN

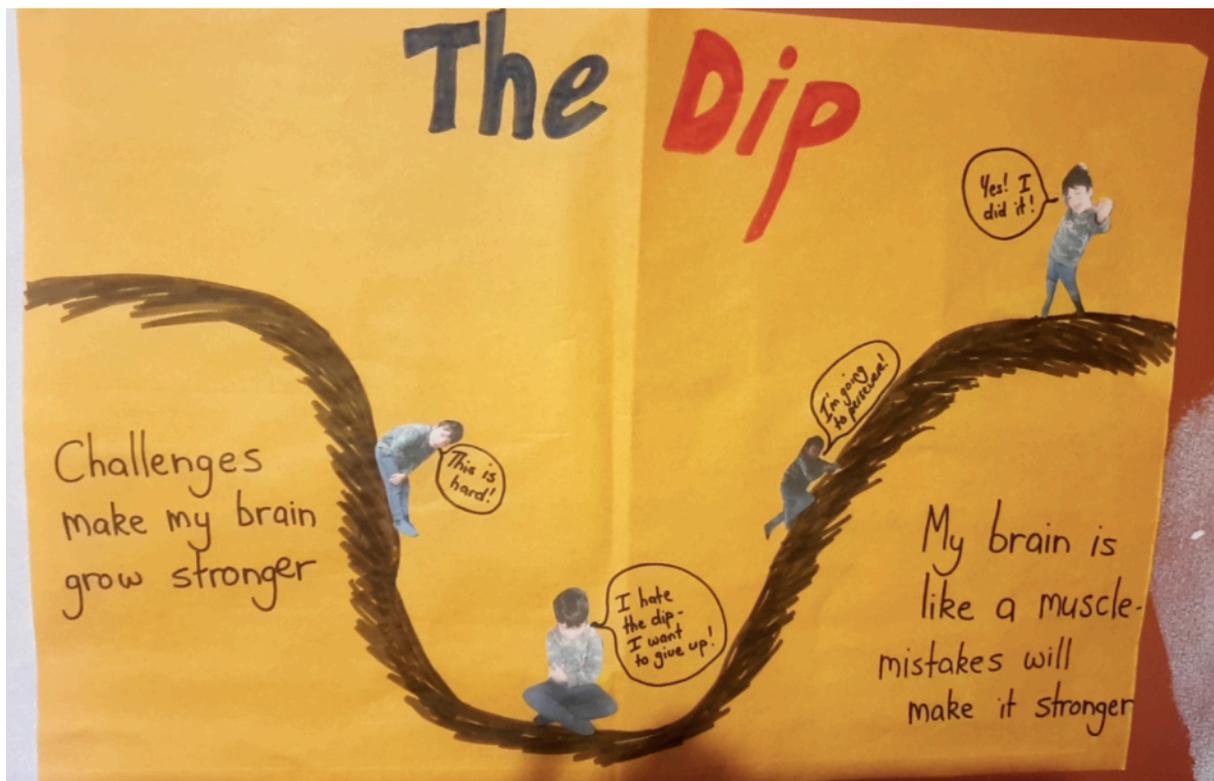




slime!!!



We had so much fun on May the 4th be with you day! (Star Wars theme for anyone that missed that!) making 'Star Wars' galaxy slime and putting the characters in alphabetical order! Some of us even read our 'Star Wars' books and played with our 'Star Wars' lego!

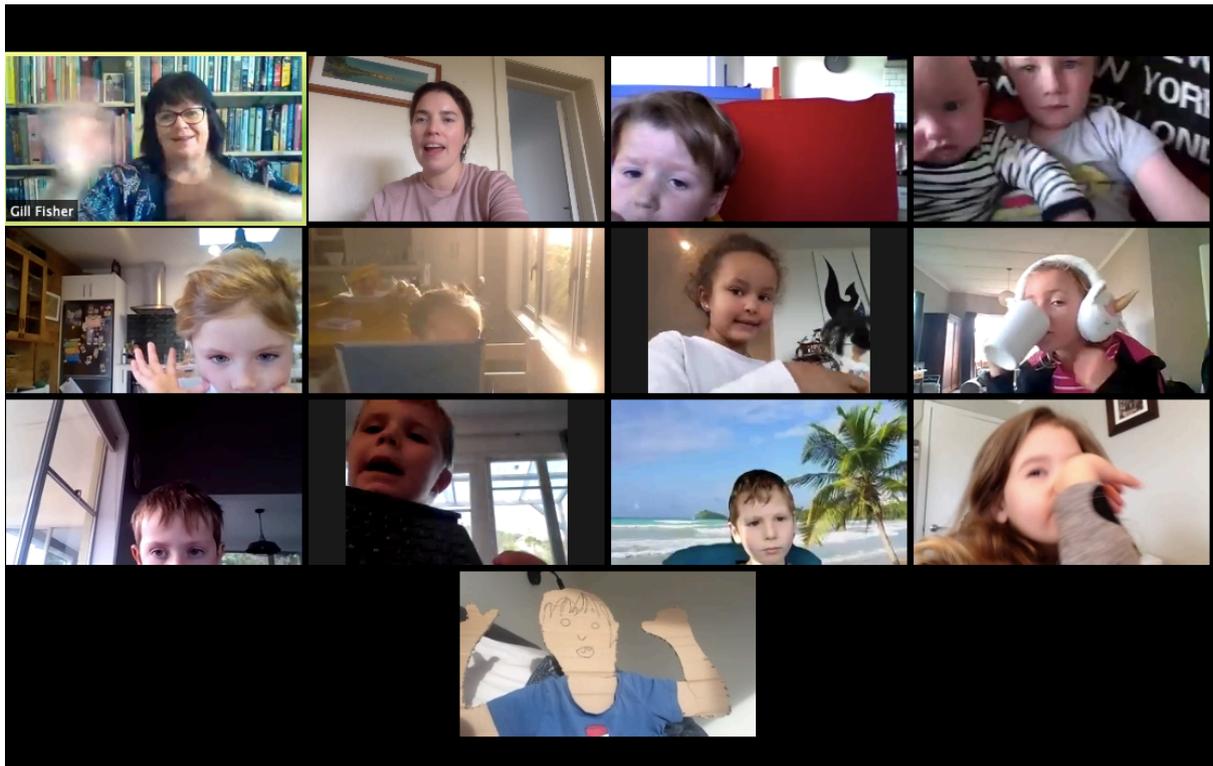


Kymani shared a fantastic poster about learning... It was a great poster on the importance of not giving up when something is hard (persevering) and that it is really good for the brain to work hard, stretch itself and face challenges....and get out of 'The Dip'!

KOWHAI CLASS ACTIVITIES- Year 1

Kowhai has been busy keeping in contact each day with zooms. During this time we do different activities each day such as some maths, listening to stories, handwriting or writing. The other day we did a shape hunt and it was fun hunting for different shapes. We really enjoyed having Gill join us for a library session, it was a fun surprise us. We also celebrated Ethan's birthday in our class and he created a fun Lego challenge for the children to do on Seesaw.

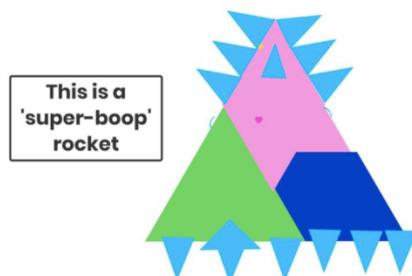
Here are some photos of Kowhai busy with their learning at home. Here we are during library time with Gill.



Shape pictures we made on seesaw
Darcy



Niko



Leah



Ethan's Birthday Lego Challenge

Freya

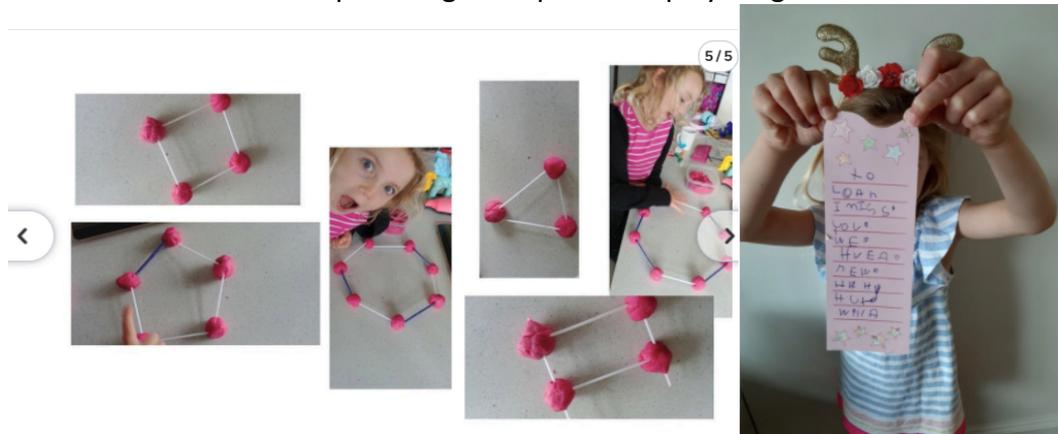
Arlo

Oscar.

Tova



Chloe made some 2d shapes using toothpicks and playdough.



Willa wrote a nice letter to a friend she is missing.

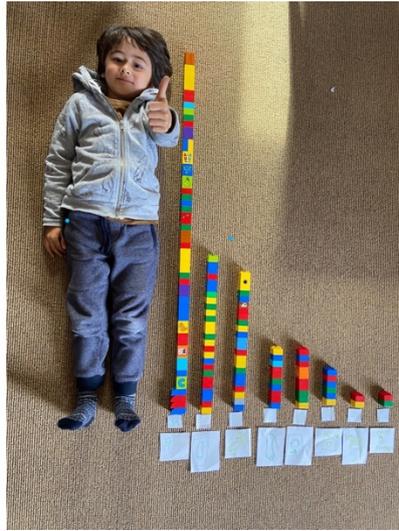
KAKANO CLASS UPDATE- Year 1

Over the last few weeks it has been great to see the children in Kakano via zoom. We have been having a whole class catch up where we play a game or two such as 'Simon Says' or 'find something that is _____(Maori colour)', share news and have storytime. This is such a special time to be together and I think the children love seeing each other via the screen!

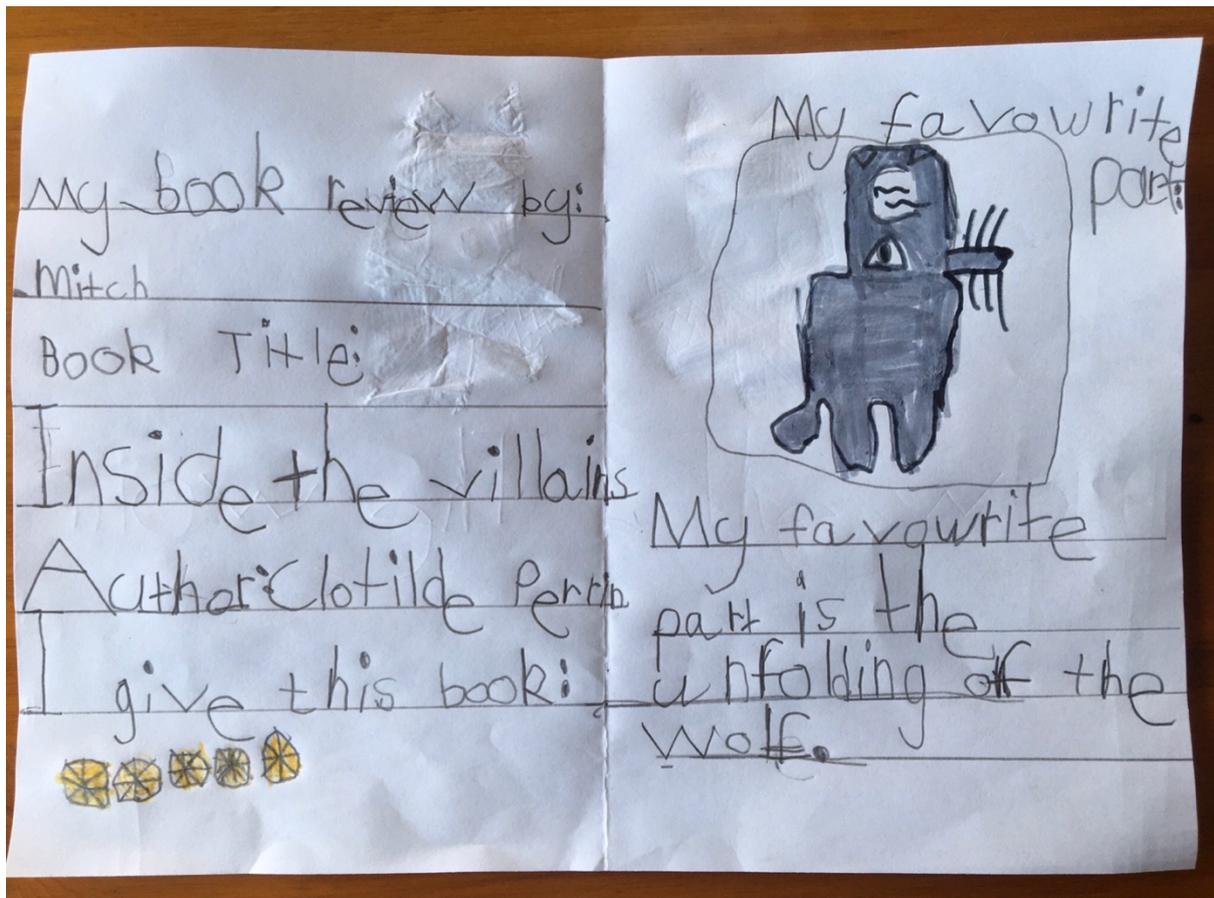
It was fantastic to have Gill as part of our zoom session last Friday for Library time. The children loved seeing her and really enjoyed Gill playing some library games and reading an exciting story. Thanks Gill! I

I have also been doing literacy groups via zoom these last few weeks too which has been fantastic. It has been great to see the children in smaller groups and to feel somewhat close to doing some learning similar to in the classroom. I know some of the children have stayed in the session once I have gone and drawn pictures or written letters to each other. Just gorgeous!

We have also been continuing to use Seesaw for our at home learning too. It is so lovely to see the range of work the children are posting! Thanks once again to the parents for supporting their child's learning at home and in turn supporting us as teachers. Below are some 'snap shots' of learning in Kakano over the last few weeks:



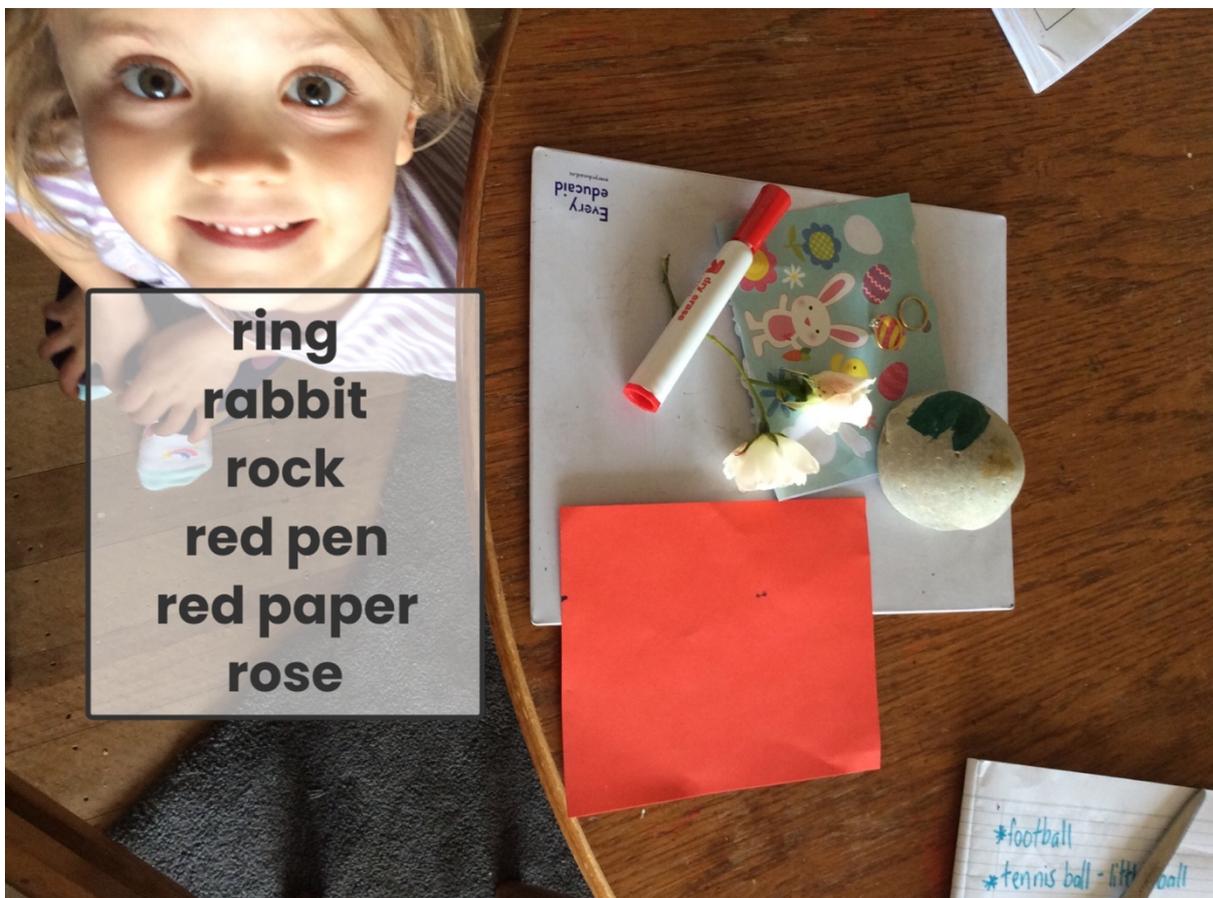
For Maths this week we have been doing activities all around measuring length. Enzo measured his body using duplo bricks - whole body 59 bricks, legs 26, arms 23, foot 10, hand 6, big toe 2, and pinky finger 2. Ka pai Enzo!



One of the activities this week was to read your favourite book, choose your favourite page and tell us why it your favourite page. The next step was to write a mini book review about it. Nice job Mitch!



Two Friday's ago Kakano had an ANZAC theme for their learning. Here are some photos of Harry and his sister Imogen making and eating ANZAC biscuits. We learnt that people sent them to the soldiers at war because they kept fresh for a long time!



In Kakano we have a new letter of the week each week. Last week's letter was the letter Rr. Molly found some things around her home that start with r. Tino pai Molly!

Next week is Mel Gaul's last week before she goes on maternity leave as her new baby will be here very soon. Kate Pritchard has been teaching part time in Kakano all year and she will start to teach the Kakano class full time once Mel starts her maternity leave the following week. We really appreciate Kate taking on this new role.

We would like to thank Mel for the great job she has been doing supporting her young learners in Kakano and wish her a lovely time at home with Harriet and her new baby for the rest of the year. We will look forward to welcoming Mel back to school next year.

GENERAL NOTICES

Supporting our local family businesses

As we are now in Level 3 more businesses are now able to start operating in safe ways with delivery of items or buying online or over the phone and then doing contactless collection. Some of our parents and families on the Peninsula may have businesses we can all support so I thought if any of our families are in this situation if you wanted to put a notice in our school newsletter email it through to me then others can find out about what is possible and get in behind you and support what is on offer.

I know the **Portobello Hotel** have been offering delicious takeaways in Level 3 so that gives a nice local option for those like me who live on the Peninsula. You need to ring the hotel during the day to place your order on Ph 4780 759 and organize the time for you to pick up your meal.

I managed to order some yummy coffee that was delivered free to the Peninsula from **Common Ground Espresso** last week and we have been enjoying it at school. The email to place your order is hello@commongroundespresso.co.nz and you can pay online with internet banking.

free delivery for Dunedin during level 3

They need your address and where to leave the beans e.g in your letterbox or at your front door

...and which blend you would like and if you need it ground

(check out the website for what's available)

they will flick you an email with the account deets and get it out to you.

WE ARE ALSO running contact-less pick up on weekdays between **12 & 2pm** from the roastery, call us to order on **03 455 5918**, we will give you a time slot to pick your order up and hit the paywave.

s u p e r t h a n k s

Kaan's Catering Supplies are offering an online grocery service and doing home deliveries to the Peninsula so that might be worth checking out as another grocery option too.

LIBRARY CORNER FROM GILL



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Mr Yipadee: Dunedin Public Libraries Online Party

· Hosted by [Dunedin Public Libraries](#) Saturday May 9th at 2 PM – 2:30 PM.
Go to Dunedin Public library website and join Mr Yipadee's online party.

Gill thought this might be something the children would enjoy checking out.

Have a great weekend everyone. We will listen to the announcement about the timing of Level 2's arrival on Monday afternoon with great interest.

Nga mihi

Bernadette