

# Newsletter

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**Kia Ora Koutou**  
**Greetings**



Te Oranga. Well Being.



**Virtue - Manaakitanga/Aroha:**  
**Kindness**

With the start of a new term it's appropriate to focus our attention on the virtue of Manaakitanga and show Kindness to each other.

Manaakitanga is a core virtue in demonstrating our school values of nurturing and caring for each other, young and old.

We wish all our families and whanau a kindly wish for this term.

## Manaakitanga/Aroha Kindness



**Our Healthy School Lunch Programme commenced today.**



- Term 2 Upcoming Events**
- Weds 5 May**  
- BOT Hui (April)  
5:30pm
  - Tues 11 May**  
- PWC - Parent Evening
  - Fri 21 May**  
- Pink Shirt Day
  - Tues 25 May**  
- Rugby Netball Funday  
(Postponement date Thurs 27 May)
  - Weds 26 May**  
- BOT Hui 5:30pm
  - Thurs 3 June**  
- School Cross Country  
(Postponement date Fri 4 June)
  - Mon 7 June**  
- Queen's Birthday
  - Tues 29 June**  
- School Photos
  - Weds 30 June**  
- BOT Hui 5:30pm
  - Mon 5 & Tue 6 June**  
- Mid Year Reporting
  - Thurs 8 July**  
- Last Day Term 2
  - Fri 9 July**  
- Teacher Only Day



## Junior Netball

We have had an excellent response to our Junior netball sessions.

These skill sessions are open to all Years 1 & 2 children.

If you missed the notice last term and are interested in signing your child up, please speak to your class teacher directly. Our skills sessions will start next week, - Thursday 13th May, are based at school and will run for 8 weeks.

## Senior Netball

Netball games for our senior children (Year 3 to Year 6) start next Thursday 13th May.

## READING FOR ROTARY

Congratulations to Casey Noonan, Caleb Rojas-Miranda and Michill Thatcher who received a certificate and \$20 Paper Plus voucher for their improvement in reading at our end of term Assembly which was presented by John Inger (Rotary) and Debra Rodgerson (Paper Plus).



The McIntyre whanau has kindly gifted two beautiful Korowai to our school.

We have set a 'criteria of values' that students can aspire to.

### He Tohu Aroha - He Tohu Korowai

#### Manaakitanga

- Showing kindness towards others
- Shows empathy

#### Tuakana - Teina

- Taking care of your peers and other students
- Learning from others
- Supporting other students

#### Tikanga Māori

- Greeting staff and peers
- Participating in te reo classes

#### Ngaa Uara

- Whakaute - Respect
- Kawanga - Responsibility
- Hiranga - Resilience



Congratulations to Kiana Horo-Kiriwera and Amaia-Rose Tuhakaraina who were the first recipients of the Korowai.





## TORTY

As part of their ANZAC studies Room 1 and Room 3 read about Torty the tortoise who was found in Greece and brought home from WW1 by soldier Stewart Little.

Torty has outlived two generations of Little's and now spends her days living in Stewart's grandchildren's gardens - one of which is in Morrinsville!

Helen Little came in to speak to the class, answer their many questions and show us some of the eggs Torty lays.

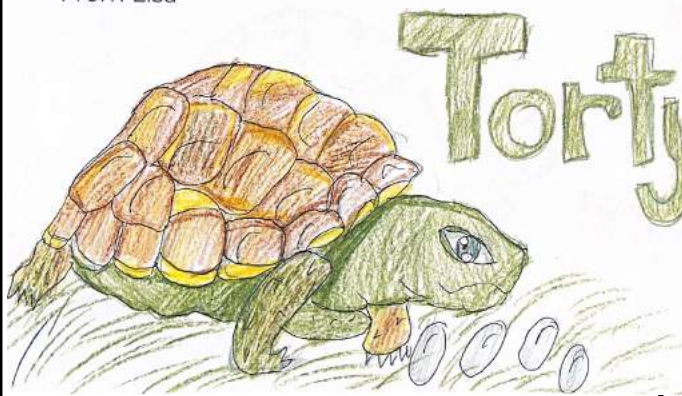
Dear Torty,

Hi! My name is Lisa, I'm from Morrinsville School in Nz. I've heard about your adventure and what you've been through.

You're a very lucky tortoise, it is incredible for you to still be alive after being run over by a gun carriage. We had been learning about you, World war 1 and Anzac day.

I have a few questions to ask you. What do you prefer more? Vegetables or fruits? What are you going to name your babies? What season is best for you?

From Lisa



Dear Torty

Hi! My name is Kanneka. I'm from Morrinsville school. You're a very lucky tortoise to still be alive after getting run over by a gun cartridge. I hope you're doing well Torty, you were very old when it happened. So it is an opportunity to hear about your stories. We are learning about how you coped with it, and your very different adventures.

Hibernation/And going to New Zealand

We all know that your owner Stewart was very fond of you Torty, in the war. That when you went into a 5 month hibernation he brought you to New Zealand. He put you in his bag and when you woke up poof you were in New Zealand straight away.

Birth/Babies

And you're becoming a mother at the ripe age of 200 years old. Hooray for you. Congratulations Torty, I hope your family is doing good by the way.

By Kanneka.







**ANZAC  
DAY**

Thanks to  
Charlie and  
Erin Hamer  
who attended  
the Civic  
service at  
Howie Park on  
ANZAC Day to  
lay a wreath on  
behalf of our  
school.

