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Welcome back to Term 3 – and what a busy Term it is going to be. You may have seen in the Tainui Trader some of the wonderful things planned for this Term please note them on your calendar it would be great for you to join us for these learning experiences. In case you missed it ....

## Term 3 Activities

**Cross country** Students have started their daily training for Cross Country. Thanks goes to Evan Lobb for taking the time to come in and take the senior students road running on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and to Wendy Smyth who is going to do some sprint work on Tuesday mornings before school – we are very grateful for the dedication of these parents. The Tainui Schools' Cross Country will be held at Mimi School on September 1 (with postponement date September 8).

**Gymsport** Students are also training for the Te Kuiti GymSports competition on August 22nd. Under the watchful eye of Wendy Smyth this year students are opting to create, practice and perform a hip-hop routine – we can't wait to see their performance.

**Poetry Recitals and Speeches** All students will be polishing their performance skills for the annual speech and poetry recital competition. Students in Year 1 to 3 will learn and recite a poem and students in Year 4-8 will be writing and presenting a speech with the topic "Have you ever wondered ...?." One student from each year level will perform their speech or poem at the annual Tainui Speech Competition at Whareorino School on September 22.

**Literacy Quiz** Senior students are also studying for the annual Literacy Quiz run by the Waitomo District Library. This interschool competition on September 28 involves 10 rounds of 10 questions which will test student's knowledge of: David Walliams' books, graphic novels, 2017 book finalists, nursery rhymes, picture books, book characters and general knowledge amongst other things.

**People Savers First Aid Course** Every year students in Years 4-8 refresh their first aid knowledge with this course – a balance of theory and practical exercises at Ahititi School on August 23 preparing students to respond if they come across an emergency situation.

**Taranaki Arts Festival 2017** With a production scheduled for the end of the year we thought it would be great for students to experience some live theatre. Students are going to attend two shows at the Taranaki Arts Festival on 25 August. Firstly, *Dirt and other Delicious Ingredients* is a playful, squishy show for children with dance theatre and live music set in a land of spice. Secondly, *An Awfully Big Adventure* is a story of two young kiwi men with two different views on war on the battlefields of Europe struggling to survive told through fun song and clever set design. Hopefully we can experience some innovative ideas through these theatre performances.

**Science Fair** We didn't get our science experiments and boards completed last Term but we are working hard to complete them now. If you would like to come for morning tea and to view the student's science fair boards and talk to students about their work we would love to see you on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30 am.

### Farewell

Sadly this week we say goodbye to the Hagenson Family. We will sadly miss the vibrancy you have all added to our school particularly with your musical and sporting endeavours. Thank you so much Mary-Elizabeth for leading the children for our end of year musical items, providing piano lessons for students and for your work as Secretary on the Home and School Committee and also to Frank for being a member of our School Board of Trustees. We wish you well in your new adventures.

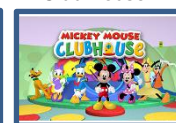
## New Roopu Groups

Every Term we decide on new Roopu groups and the values for the Term, this Term the Roopu groups are named after Cartoon Characters:

The Flintstones

The Scooby Doos

Mickey Mouse  
Club House



Heidi  
Grace  
Billy  
Jordan  
Mana  
Kayla  
Martha

Ocean  
Ryan  
Matua-Roy  
Daniel  
Holly  
Emmet  
Connell

Merekara  
Claude  
Jackson  
Jessica  
Taylor  
Sophia  
Ruth

The overarching values theme for Term 3 is 'Keeping Ourselves Safe – Tiaki tangata' and the values students have chosen to work on are: Can-Do Attitude, Active Listening, being Respectful, Tolerant and Responsible. Points after one week were Mickey Mouse Club House – 7, Flintstones – 8 and Scooby Doos – 10.

### Certificates

**Junior Student of the week:** Mana for working independently in maths.

**Junior Star Student:** Jordan for attempting all tasks even when you are challenged.

**Senior Student of the week:** Ryan for showing consideration to others especially our Tiana

**Senior Star Student:** Emmet for being a consistent improver in spelling in Term 2.

## Health Survey

Last week we sent out our Health Curriculum Survey your chance to have input into the direction of the delivery of the Health Curriculum. We would really appreciate if you could complete this survey and returned it to school this week. There will be a very small reward for students who have brought back the survey by Friday.

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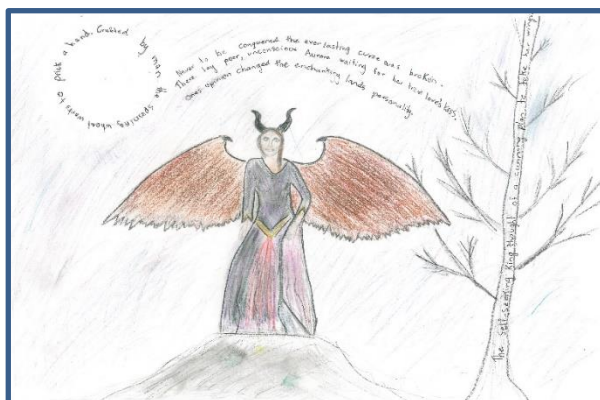
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# Congratulations

Early in the Term students were entertained by poet Judi Billcliff when she visited and she was full of praise for our students who helped bring her poems to life. Judi enthused the students for poetry writing and instigated a national wide student poetry competition to adapt a nursery rhyme or fairy tale into a new poem. Our students took up the challenge and submitted their poems into her competition. Judi was full of praise for the student's efforts and several students were named as semi-finalists - Grace, Ryan and Heidi with Heidi making it to the finalist stage which means her poem will be published in Judi's next book 'Granny Does Karate.' This book will go into a lot of libraries throughout New Zealand, where hundreds of children will get to read her work and hopefully be inspired to write poems of their own.



## Maleficent by Heidi Pease aged 13

Crafted by man the spinning wheel wants to prick a hand  
Never to be conquered the everlasting curse was broken  
There lay poor, unconscious Aurora waiting for her true  
love's kiss

One's opinion changed the enchanted lands personality  
The self-seeking king thought of a cunning plan to take  
her wings

Some other poems our students have written can be  
viewed on Judi's Rainbow Poetry website

[www.rainbowpoetry.co.nz](http://www.rainbowpoetry.co.nz)

# Thank you



To those parents who made  
themselves known to our  
new relief bus driver.

To Mary-Elizabeth and  
Frank Hagenson for the  
contribution they have  
made to Mokau School.

To Rob for fixing the staff  
toilet!

*Together we can do it  
ka taea e tatou  
Together we are able*

**Tainui Girls Brigade A.G.M.  
Tuesday 1st August, 4.30 pm  
Awakino Hall**

# Library Upgrade

The School library is  
looking fabulous. The  
third stage upgrade  
of the shelving has  
now been complete  
and new shelf  
markers purchased.



The library is a real  
credit to our small school, it is a vibrant space with a  
'wow' factor, something visitors always comment on.  
Thank you to Jo Wackrow for the many voluntary hours  
you have spent keeping our library looking good and  
processing new books for the shelves. Thanks also to  
the Mokau School Home and School Committee for  
funding the Duffy in Schools programme for our  
students. Not only do students choose 5 personal books  
to keep each year a copy of the books the students'  
choose are also supplied for our library.

## Dates for this Term

<b>Aug</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Vicki Coll visiting
		Gymnastics in hall 12.00 pm
	9 <sup>th</sup>	BOT Property Meeting
	16 <sup>th</sup>	BOT Meeting 7.00 pm
	17 <sup>th</sup>	BOT CoLS meeting in NP
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Gymfest
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	People Savers First Aide course
		@ Ahititi for Year 4-8 students
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Taranaki Arts Festival Trip to NP
		Staff @writing moderation workshop @ Ahititi in pm
<b>Sept</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Tainui Cross Country @Mimi
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country Postponement date
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Home and School Meeting 7.00 pm
	20 <sup>th</sup>	BOT Meeting 7.00 pm
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Tainui Speech Finals @ Whareorino
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Life Ed Van
	28 <sup>th</sup>	Literacy Quiz @Te Kuiti Primary
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term

# Community Notices

Girls Brigade Camp and Fun Day



All the girls are invited to a  
funday on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August,  
at 11 a.m. at the Awakino  
Hall. From there we will go  
and meet the Girls' Brigade  
Commissioner at the church  
by the school to perform a  
play and songs for our  
Church Parade Service at 2  
p.m.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August is camp night, for seniors and  
all girls who are leaving this year, at Mrs Lowry's  
farm, from 2 p.m.

All families and friends are invited to the Church  
Parade and afternoon tea. Please phone Mrs.  
Dorothy Lowry if your girls can come. Ph 7529123