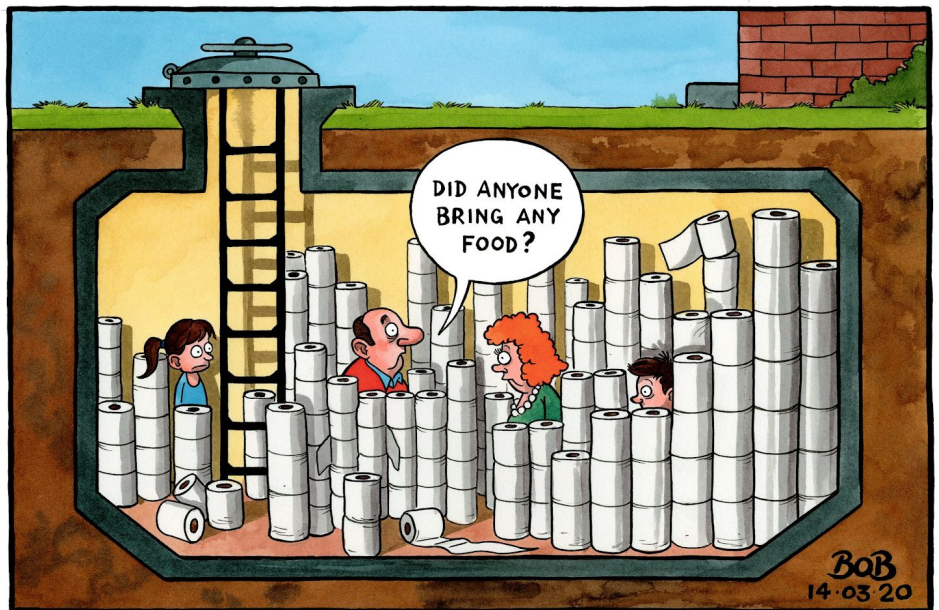


# Lockdown Edition!

Our second issue has been put together very differently to our first! We began writing our articles while we were still at school and have been working hard on finishing them during Level 4 Lockdown. Thanks to technology, we have still been able to collaborate and communicate with each other to produce what we think is another great issue. We hope you enjoy it!



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THIS WEEK'S  
HEADLINE NEWS

# Lockdown's Positive Impact on the Environment

By Issie



**While us humans may not enjoy being stuck at home all day, planet earth is certainly happy, and here's why:**

One of the biggest positive impacts Covid-19 lockdown is having on the natural world is that very few people are driving or flying. Sure, essential workers are still taking their cars to and from work, and people stuck in foreign places are still heading back to their home countries via planes, but roads are still mostly deserted, and you very rarely hear the drone of an aeroplane passing overhead. As a result of this, in many countries the air is cleaner and clearer, and more wildlife is thriving.

As you may already know, most businesses have also been temporarily shut down due to the virus. And while this may not be ideal for some, this is also having a great impact on the climate, for factories that release a lot of unsustainable gasses into the atmosphere are no longer up and running, at least for a short period. The same goes for oil shipping companies and forestry companies (people who cut down trees to make way for housing) both of which have a negative impact on the environment.

So, when you're feeling gloomy that you can't go out, remember that you staying at home is making a big difference for the natural world.



*By Isla, Sophie and Abigail*

**For this issue we were lucky enough to be able to interview Tom McLean. He's a talented all-round sportsman but we interviewed him about swimming after his impressive performance at Swimming Sports.**

**Why is sport important to you?** Because it keeps me fit, takes up a lot of time after school and it is very fun.

**How many records have you broken this year?** I've broken 3 records this year - it's my personal best! I've broken a record every year since I've been swimming at Ponsonby. I felt really excited when I found out this year because I didn't know that I would break three school records and felt even more excited because I was one of only two people who broke records this year.



**What is your strongest stroke?** I think it would have to be a tie between breaststroke and freestyle!

**How long have you been swimming?** Since I was about 3 months old.

**Do you enjoy it and why?** I love swimming because it's my happy place. I really love it and I like having friends in my year group that I swim with.

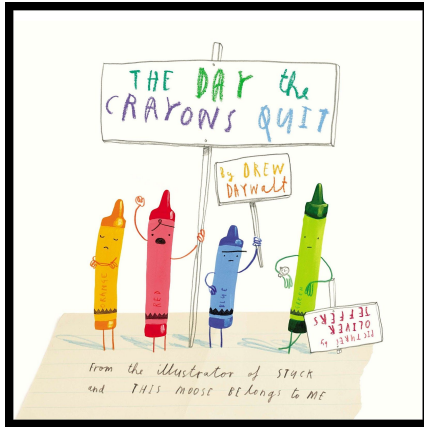
**Who is your swimming inspiration?** Probably Michael Phelps because he is a really fast swimmer, has lots of medals and has broken many world records.

# BOOKFLIX

*By Alice and Issie*

Welcome to Bookflix, where we show you all the recommended books for Kakariki, Puriri, and Kowhai!

## Kakariki



### The Day The Crayons Quit

Duncan Walbert wants to colour. That's all he wants to do. When one day his crayons go missing, he feels disheartened. Read the book to find out more...

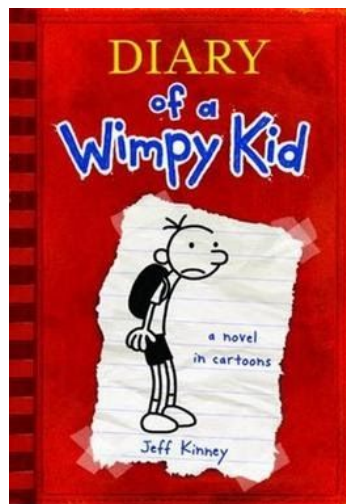
*- "The Day the Crayons Quit" is wildly imaginative and loads of fun*

*- A comical, fresh look at crayons and color*

Written by Drew Daywalt

Illustrated by Oliver Jeffers

## Puriri



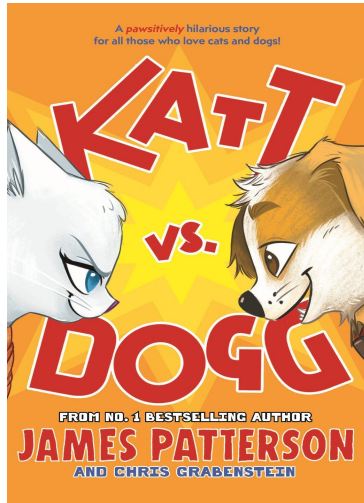
### Diary Of A Wimpy Kid

Greg Heffley is your typical shy middle school kid, and so is his best friend and sidekick, Rowley. But then all of a sudden Rowley somehow becomes popular and Greg decides to use that to his own advantage, triggering a series of events that will test their friendship to the limits.

*-A hilarious and relatable book with cartoony illustrations*

Written and illustrated by Jeff Kinney





### Katt Vs Dogg

Katts and Doggs have been sworn enemies for as long as they can remember. So when Molly, a Katt, and Oscar, a Dogg, discover that they are spending their vacation at the SAME holiday park, neither of them is happy. But then one day Molly goes missing, and a few days after Oscar gets lost. Working together to survive the wilderness, will they form the first friendship between a Dogg and a Katt?

Written by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein,  
illustrated by Anuki Lipez

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Interested in sending us some of your recommendations for this page? Email us at [a.lang@ponsp.school.nz](mailto:a.lang@ponsp.school.nz) or [i.mein@ponsp.school.nz](mailto:i.mein@ponsp.school.nz)

## Book Quiz Time!

1. Who is the author of the classic Famous Five series?
2. The character Mrs Twit is in which book?
3. True or false: Jaqueline Wilson is the author of *Hetty Feather*?
4. Name one online reading site.
5. Who is the author of the IFunny series?
6. Would a book about the butterfly life cycle be Fiction or Non-Fiction?
7. *The Wonky Donkey* has a sequel (another book in the series). What is it?

- Answers**
1. Enid Blyton
  2. The Twits
  3. True
  4. Epic, SunshineOnline, Storyline Online, and lots more!
  5. James Patterson
  6. Non-Fiction
  7. *The Dinky Donkey*

**Remember to keep  
reading!**





# *Teacher of the Week*

*By Sophie, Claudia, Erin, Bianca, Ruby and Piper*

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## **Ms Reuter**

For this issue we had the pleasure of interviewing Ms Reuter.



**Interviewer:** You are in charge of the school library this year. How's that going for you?

**Ms Reuter:** Really good - I have so many super librarians!

**Interviewer:** You are also the teacher of Room 3. Who's your favourite student?

**Ms Reuter:** I couldn't possibly say!

**Interviewer:** Do you like your new room in 2020?

**Ms Reuter:** I do enjoy it because it's big and has good lighting.

**Interviewer:** Out of all the teachers in the school which one is the best (other than you of course)?

**Ms Reuter:** I think that they're all amazing!

**Interviewer:** What's your favourite subject to teach?

**Ms Johnston:** Maths

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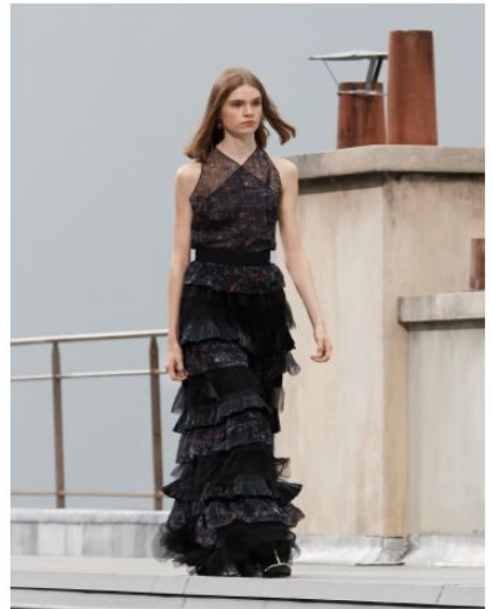
# Fashion

By Mia Crothers



*These outfits are by **Dior**. I personally think they embody the feel of spring. I like the jaunty bucket hats and the mix of the bold stripe and the soft print.*

*This designer dress is by none other than **Chanel**. I love the way the dress is very elegant, and that the ruffles are a sheer see-through fabric and how the rest of the dress is a simple black.*



*This jumpsuit is by **Isabel Marant**. I think this jumpsuit is one of the best designs on this page. I love the stonewashed denim. This is definitely on my wishlist.*

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# Animals & Nature

By Cami and Eve

## Fennec fox

The fennec fox is a rare, adorable type of fox that lives in the dry deserts of Peninsula USA. They are related to coyotes and chihuahuas and are part of the wolf family. These amazing creatures have incredible hearing – did you know that their ears can grow between 4 and 7 inches long! They have very thick fur which helps them stay warm on those cold desert nights. These foxes are omnivores which means they eat plants and small rodents. They are nocturnal animals.



## Maui dolphin

The maui dolphin is a rare and endangered species, it has been around for 15-16 thousand years! The maui dolphin is easily recognized because of its small black dorsal fin. They have streamlined bodies and a short snout which allows them to push through the water easily. Maui dolphins can hold their breath for 8 to 10 minutes! Maui dolphins can live up to 20 years old! Sadly this dolphin is endangered which means that there are not many of them, did you know that there are only 63 maui dolphins alive today! Do what you can to protect our oceans and save this native New Zealand species.





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# Recipe of the Week

*By India*

## ANZAC Cookies

### Ingredients

1 cup Edmonds Standard Grade Flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon  
1 3/4 cups rolled oats  
1/2 cup White Sugar  
1/4 cup (firmly packed) Brown Sugar  
1 cup desiccated coconut  
125g Butter, cubed  
1/4 cup Golden Syrup  
2 Tablespoons water  
1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda



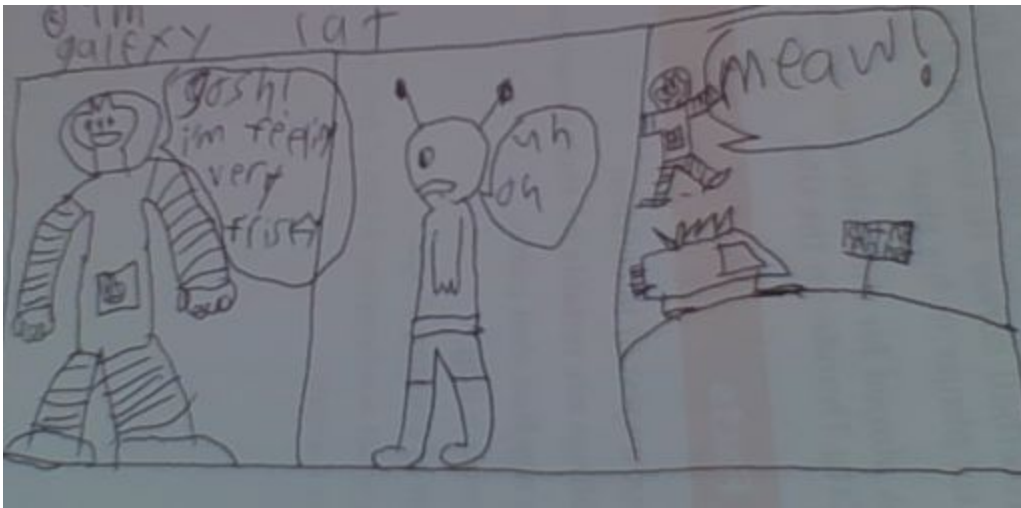
### Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 150°C conventional bake. Line a baking tray with baking paper.
2. In a medium sized bowl, sift together the Edmonds Standard Grade Flour and cinnamon. Add the rolled oats, coconut and sugars, mix well.
3. Combine the Butter, Golden Syrup and water in a small saucepan and stir over low-medium heat until the Butter melts and the mixture is well combined (ensure the mixture does not simmer or boil). Remove from heat and stir in the bicarbonate of soda. Add immediately to the dry ingredients and use a wooden spoon to stir until well combined.
4. Roll 1-2 tablespoons of mixture into balls and place onto tray about 5cm apart. Use your fingers to flatten each slightly (until they are about 1cm thick) and bake for 16 minutes (for a chewy biscuit) or 20 minutes for a crunchier biscuit.
5. Set aside for 5 minutes to cool slightly before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely. Keep in an airtight container for up to a week.

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# Cartoons

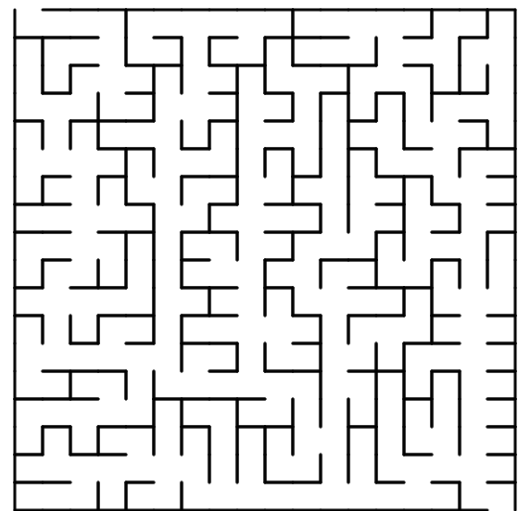
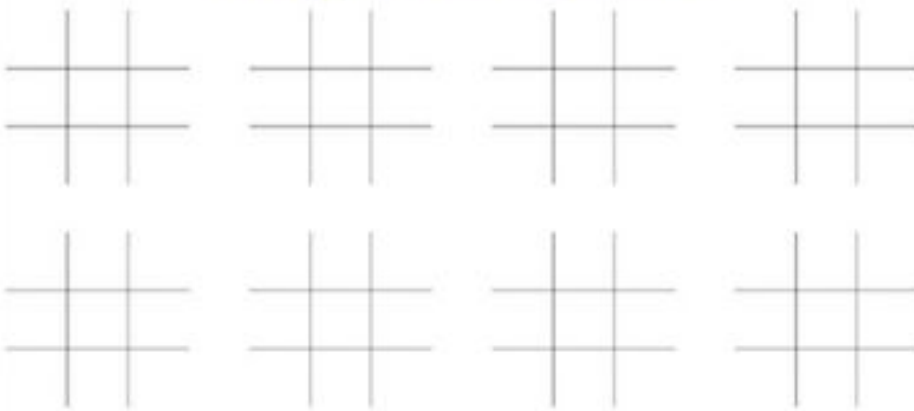
By Edward



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## Games and Puzzles

### Noughts and Crosses



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## Films

By Ben and Cyrus

# ***Sonic the Hedgehog***

We recommend this movie for you guys to watch because it is funny, crazy and enjoyable for all ages. It was directed by Jeff Fowler, an American award-winning director. It is an action and adventure film.

Click here to access the link to the trailer: [Sonic the Hedgehog Trailer](#).

Ben Schwartz brings the voice of Sonic and James Marsden plays Tom. James Marsden is in Hop a kid's movie. Tom Marsden was played by Tom O'Hare in the movie Hop. This is the second time Sonic the Hedgehog has been released. Back in 1991, the old version was released by the same film company.

Common Sense Media gives it an 8/10 but to be honest, we give it a 10.

