

# Mt Roskill Intermediate School Library

Newsletter #2, April 2020, ANZAC Edition



## ANZAC Day on Saturday

Hello Readers!

This weekend there will be many people commemorating ANZAC Day at home.

The commemoration of ANZAC Day came about after New Zealand and Australian forces landed at Gallipoli, Turkey on the 25th April 1915. The soldiers battled, suffered, died, and in the end failed with their objective at Gallipoli but a special spirit of comradeship had been created between New Zealand and Australia.

You can read more about the Gallipoli campaign on the Te Ara website:

<https://teara.govt.nz/en/first-world-war/page-3>

In this newsletter, I have put some links to ANZAC reading and crafts that you might like to try.

Happy Reading!

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## MRI LIBRARY CATALOGUE

You can search the Library Catalogue online at: <https://mri.athenaeum.nz/>

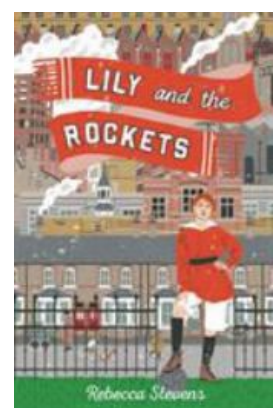
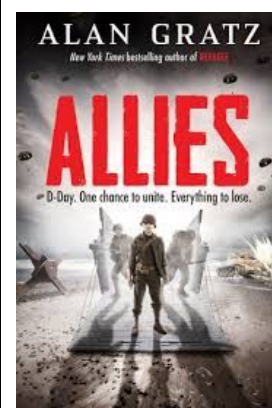
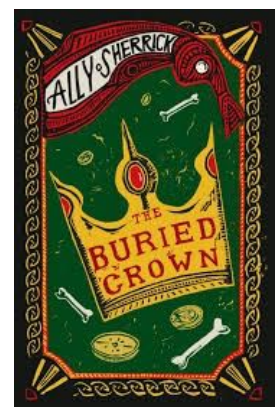
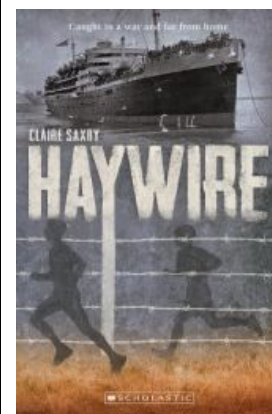
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Quick Search

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## NEW BOOKS

We have plenty of new books coming through. Here are some war themed stories that might interest you:



Create an ANZAC Wreath using egg cartons:

You will need:

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| Paper plate | Black marker pen |
| Egg cartons | Red/black paint  |
| Scissors    | Green paint      |
| Glue        | White card       |



Create a ring by cutting out the middle of the plate and painting it green. Paint your cut out egg carton flowers red, and glue them to the green ring. You can add a banner with 'Remember' or the names of family members through the middle.

You could also add other coloured poppies:  
 White = peace, and all casualties of war, civilian and military;  
 Purple = animals that were used and sacrificed for war.

How to make a poppy using a Warehouse shopping bag:



Follow the instructions on YouTube:  
<https://youtu.be/ZAB2xnvDZgU>



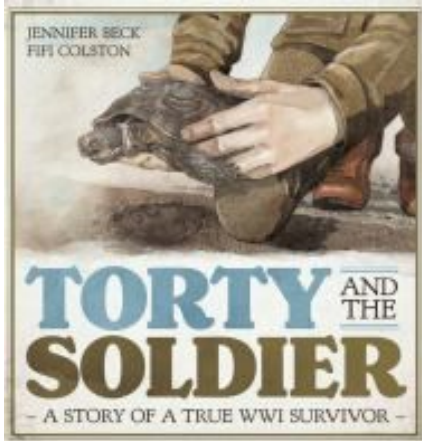
The instructions suggest nailing your poppy onto a stick and planting it into a garden. Our garden can't be seen from behind the hedge and fence, so we will be staple-gunning the poppies directly onto our fence. (We will have to remove the Easter egg pictures left over from the Easter egg hunt, first though.)

MOTAT has an ANZAC colouring page  
 Download to colour in at:  
<https://motat.fun/poppy-day-colouring-in/>

## Torty and the Soldier

By Jennifer Beck

Illustrated by Fifi Colston



Meet Torty! She's one tough little tortoise with a beat-up shell and some missing toes. Torty survived a great war that raged in Europe one hundred years ago. Torty was rescued back then by a young Kiwi soldier.

This war story picture book is about a tortoise called Torty who survived World War One and came back to New Zealand where she still lives! She has just gone into her own 'lockdown' which is really hibernation - which she does every year through winter.

You can read this story and enjoy the wonderful pictures by following this link:

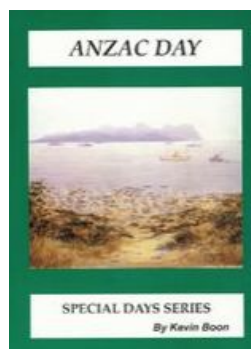
<https://bit.ly/3eCaTU8>

Read it with your family over the weekend.

## ANZAC Day

By Kevin Boon

This book explains why NZ commemorates ANZAC Day on April 25 and outlines New Zealand's involvement in various wars, including the New Zealand Wars, the Boer War, World War One, and World War Two.



It can be read in full at the [International Children's Digital Library](#).

## ANZAC Biscuit Recipe

This is the recipe my family have always used. It is fun to make because you add baking soda to the melted butter and syrup mix which creates a great foaming effect...

## Ingredients

½ C flour	50g butter
⅓ C sugar	1 tbsp golden syrup
⅔ C coconut	½ tsp baking soda
¾ C rolled oats	2 tbsp boiling water

Mix flour, sugar, coconut and rolled oats together in a bowl.

Melt butter and golden syrup together in a bowl with a bit of extra room in it.

Dissolve the baking soda in the boiling water in a separate dish, and then add it to the butter and syrup mix.

Stir the butter mix into the dry ingredients, until mixed together.

Roll into balls or just place teaspoons of mix onto cold greased baking trays.

Bake at 180c for 15 mins. Makes 20 biscuits.

## FAMILY STORIES

Ask your family if there was anyone who went to war.

You can look names up on the Auckland Museum's Cenotaph website:

<https://www.aucklandmuseum.com/war-memorial/online-cenotaph>

*And, just for extra fun check out:*

## GOODNIGHT KIWI stories on TVNZ

Watch comedians, the PM and TV people read NZ bedtime stories at TVNZ on Demand:

<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/shows/goodnight-kiwi>

Maybe you should try and sit down with the younger people in your bubble for storytime. Note that there is a te reo version of one of my favourite stories 'The Bomb' = 'Te Pohū' that I have read to a lot of you.