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As they say in Marovo: "Those who cannot name the good things of sea and land, cannot find them, and therefore cannot eat or otherwise benefit from them, nor will they know how to look after them well".
OLPC and PCs connect to the OLPC network wirelessly using automatic network settings from server DHCP.

Can see the school server by typing http://schoolserver/ into browser.
And wiki by typing http://schoolserver/wiki.

SSID = Patukae-OLPC-School-Server (no security) All access points on this net use the same SSID.

Computers on the main network including the remote sites all use the gateway DHCP (automatic settings). To access the wiki use http://192.168.0.210/wiki

Computers on the main network can access the school server Moodle as well, but they need a setting in their hosts file. Chea, Chubi, Cheara have had this done. They then use http://schoolserver/ to access the OLPC Moodle. They can still see the wiki in the normal way, as on right.
Leveraging off other initiatives
Communication tools can only enhance networks, relationships that already exist
The indigenous knowledge / vernacular component is more important than the ICT component
Community support is crucial
National curriculum framework needs to support the use of vernacular language in the classroom