Term: 2 Week: 9 27 June 2024

# Totara College News

This Term at Totara

Theme: Time

Value: Integrity

Scripture:

Malachí 3: Verse 6

For I am the LORD, I do not change.



TOTARA COLLEGE

Vision

Reaching our Godgiven potential

Explicit teaching in LC3





## From the Dr's Office...

#### **Greeting Everyone**

Today marks the end of week 9 and next week will be the last week of the term. The first four days will be fairly normal in terms of learning, apart from Thursday afternoon which will be class Honour Roll trips for those in Years 1-6 who have met all their learning, memory verse and behaviour goals.

#### **Next Friday**

Friday will be different. Students will have an assembly to begin the day around the foundations of the school in line with our Time theme. We have some guest speakers coming in to tell us about what the school was like in the early days and the things we have to build upon. After interval on Friday we will have a house group sports competition and after lunch the seniors will have their class honour roll trip which will be at the movies. It should be a lovely way to end the term.

#### Administration

My apologies to all for the lack of cover we've had this week in the office. A number of people have been surprised to find me answering the phone! Sadly, it's been a difficult time for Sue Holdaway and her family with her continued illness. Our very willing and capable replacement Danielle Dean was also sick earlier in the week. If you are a praying person, please pray for Sue and her healing. It is possible that we might have issues next week as well. As always, if its urgent and you can't get through, ring me on my cell phone: **0212010963.** 

### Reports

These will be out as normal at the end of the term. Parent teacher interviews will be arranged early next term for parents to discuss the learning of their children with the teachers. If your children have mentioned they are getting tested a bit, that is so that we can get an accurate picture of their learning to report to you and also to inform us as we look to the next stage in their learning.

#### Van

You may have noticed that the van has been missing recently. It needed some work on the diesel exhaust so has been at a specialist in Palmerston North. Fortunately, it's all covered under warranty.

#### Basketball

The new Basketball uniforms have arrived and the boys enjoyed playing in them last week. The uniforms are green and gold, but are reversible with the underside being white and green. The boys celebrated their new kit with a narrow win over Awatapu College, having been on the wrong side of the scoreline for most of the game and just coming back in the last quarter. Well done boys!

The girls have had a lot of success, but lost their game to Fielding High on Friday.

#### French trip

Thanks to all of those who bought firewood raffle tickets to support students to New Caledonia next year. With the continued unrest there we are likely to replace the trip to Tahiti which is also a French speaking nation. Unfortunately, it's a bit further away and hence a bit more expensive.

Have a lovely Matariki break with your whanau.

Peter















# **40 Hour Challenge**

## LC2 having fun with Science















REAP facilitated an invaluable cyber safety workshop in the Totara College hall on Wednesday night. The online supports below will help all families keep their children safe from danger on the internet.'

## **Our Kids Online**

https://www.ourkidsonline.info/resources

## Filters, Monitoring Apps, Reviews and How to's

Recommended products and practical resources:



https://safesurfer.io/

### Qustodio



https://www.qustodio.com/en/

## Parental control app for all devices

## **Setting up Parental controls for Android and Apple devices**

### **Family Link**

https://families.google.com/familylink/

Step-by-step guide to setting up parental controls for Android devices and Chromebooks.

#### **Screen Time**

https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time/

Step by a guide to setting up parental controls for Apple devices.

https://netsafe.org.nz/

### **Protect Young Eyes**



https://protectyoungeyes.com/

If you're ready to move from confused to confident, Protect can help you unlock your digital parenting superpowers in 5 minutes a day!



https://help.slingshot.co.nz/hc/en-us/articles/360000047893-Help-with-Family-Filter



https://www.spark.co.nz/help/internet/security/use-net-shield/



Netsafe

https://netsafe.org.nz/

# **French Trip Fundraising Ideas**



**Bake Stall** 



Restaurant



Collecting Pinecones & kindling



Some of the ideas for fundraising for the French trip March/April 2025.

These events hopefully will happen over Term 3 and Term 4 plus the beginning of Term 1 2025.



**Family Portraits** 



Firewood working bee



Totara College Cookbook

# Community Notices:

## Please Remember...

- Friday 28 June—Matariki—no school
- Friday 6 July —Term 2 last day
- Monday 22 July—Term 3 starts
- Fridays—Term 3 onwards— Office closed every Friday

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