# Totara College News

This Term at Totara

Theme:

Space

Value: Diligence

Scripture:

The heavens declare
the glory of God; the skies
proclaim the work of his
hands. Psalm 19 v 1



TOTARA COLLEGE

**Vision**Reaching our Godgiven potential









LC1 and LC2 space trip to Te Manawa



#### From the Dr's Office...

Greetings everyone

The school is in full flurry as the end of the year approaches.

The ball happened Friday week 5, and it was wonderful seeing all the students in their finery. Well done to the prefects for organising this – it was great fun. As a side note, some students are maintaining their ball adornments (especially nails) against school policy. If your child is one of these, please tell them the bad news.

The intermediates had a wonderful camp to Wellington last week and spent time learning about what our capital city has to offer. Many thanks to Bena Haider for organising it and Carl McIntyre for assisting. Also, my thanks to the parents involved, particularly Renee Timmins and Isabelle Omundsen. We heard wonderful reports of how much it was enjoyed.

LC 1 and 2 had a great time in Palmerston North on Tuesday, they were at Te Manawa learning from a space exhibit in line with our term theme. Many thanks to Carlyn Ryklief and Lisa Knightly for organising this.

The secondary students are on camp as I write. They are at Castlepoint learning how to surf and to appreciate activities on the beach. My thanks to Carl McIntyre and his team, including a number of volunteers form Vision church who will be involved in devotions and supervision. (Please note all volunteers do get police vetted.)

Next week is reasonably quiet, but week 9 will be busy. A number of things are coming up for week 9:

The prefects are proposing a mufti theme for Mon-Wed (week 9). Details to come.

The secondary block will hopefully be re-carpeted over the holidays which will mean all of the secondary desks etc will need to go into the science lab on Monday/Tuesday. The shift will be interesting. The outcome will be wonderful and my thanks to the proprietors for funding this. The block has looked a little tired for a while now.

Class honour roll trips will occur at some stage that week – your child's teacher will advise.

Thursday will be prizegiving night. Students will have practice in the morning – go home for the afternoon and then to prizegiving for the evening. We have been busy putting together prize lists and presentations for a fantastic night and the Mayor will be there to celebrate with us again.

Friday we're on the bus to splash planet like last year. Should be a blast to end the year.

Please remember for next year that school lunches are going to change significantly and likely only available in small versions for Years 1-6. You might want to prepare.

Our roll for next year is almost full. If you know of anyone who is intending to come to Totara please advise them to be hasty or unfortunately they may miss out.

Have a great weekend

Peter

#### Please Remember...

- Monday 2 December—Santa driving around oval approx. 9.30am
- Friday 6 December—BBQ Xmas lunch from DHS Wharekai (our lunch provider)
- Thursday 12 December—Prizegiving—no lunches—home for the afternoon
- Friday 13 December—Splash Planet—Last day of term
- Saturday 14 December—Christmas in the Park

#### Dates for 2025:

- Tuesday 28th to Friday 31st January—Office open 9am to 3pm (uniforms, enrolments etc)
- Thursday 30th January—Staff only day
- Term 1: Monday 3 February—Friday 11 April
- Term 2: Monday 28 April—Friday 27 June
- Term 3: Monday 14 July—Friday 19 September
- Term 4: Monday 6 October—Friday 12 December

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Ray performs hundreds of shows each year for schools, community groups, churches, functions, fundraising events, and others.

His blend of performance skills and comedy reaches all ages.

Ray uses the following techniques to bring an important message to the children:

Puppets -(ventriloquism)
Voice sound effects







## CHRISTMAS CONCERT IN THE PARK

# Dannevirke Showgrounds Saturday 14 December | 3pm to 10pm

#### WE ARE ALL ABOUT FAMILY, FUN AND FESTIVITY.

The evening will finish with Carols by Candlelight.

During the afternoon and early evening there will be:

Various fun activities including a tug-of-war competition, local businesses
performing karaoke, fun athletics for all ages.

Food and other stalls from businesses or organisations.

All age groups are invited to come and join in the picnic-like atmosphere.

You are welcome to bring blankets and/or deck chairs.

If you would like to have a stall (cost \$30 food or other), perform for 20 mins, or have any other ideas for fun activities, please contact:

Stuart Wright 027 408 3494 | Radio Dannevirke 06 374 6601 or email robynhargreaves@xtra.co.nz by 5pm, Sunday 20 October.

#### Entry:

Gold coin donation per person with limited parking available in the showgrounds and surrounding streets.



## DANNEVIRKE FANTASY CAVE

Fountain Theatre, 2 Ward Street

Dannevirke

# POP-UP CHRISTMAS December hours

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – 1pm to 4pm Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> – 10am to 4pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – 1pm to 4pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – 10am to 4pm

Admission by donation/koha Photographs with Santa - \$5.00

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# THE CHOSEN

"THE SHEPHERD"



Today, in the city of David, the Savior was born to them which is Christ the Lord.

You are invited to this FREE Screening at The Hub this Christmas ~ Sunday 15th December at 7pm ~

## **Totara College**

### **Communication Tool**

