

Business Name

Term 2 Week 5

30 May 2025

TOTARA COLLEGE NEWS

This Term at Totara

Theme:
Civilisations

Value: Diligence

Scripture:

Proverbs 3: 5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
And lean not on your own
understanding;
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths.



**TOTARA
COLLEGE**

Vision

*Reaching our God-
given potential*





From the Dr's Office...

Greetings everyone

Yes, it's the first day of winter and we're on the cusp of a 3-day weekend to help ease us all into it. The days are shorter and the temperature is lower, and the summer fun gives way to winter activities; even if that just means lolling around in front of the fireplace.

School is in full swing of course; many things are happening and I'd like to showcase two of these.

40h famine

The first is the 40h famine which we are involved in every year and gives us a great opportunity for our student leaders to engage in true student leadership to support a worthy cause. They are currently organising events for June to help raise funds over this time and more details will be coming out shortly. Student leadership is something we talk about a lot and invest significant time in as we seek to build our senior students into young adults with skills that will help them be successful in the modern world.

Tahiti trip

The second is our Tahiti trip which is happening at the end of November. This involves 11 French language students who will travel to Tahiti to enjoy a full French immersion experience. They will be hosted by French families, purchase items by speaking French, be immersed in French Tahitian culture and see many of the attractions that that part of the world has to offer. The trip will be a single, packed week and the students will be exhausted by the end of it! My thanks to Mr Stuart Wright for organising this trip and the Board for supporting it. Mrs Peters and myself will also be there to look after the students.

One thing we are passionate about is allowing Dannevirke kids to have access to experiences that they would normally get in the bigger, richer schools. However, this requires extra funds and so fund raising events are necessary. Any support you can give would be much appreciated and a few local businesses have already shown their financial support. We've also had a dinner and a few sausage sizzles etc which have raised a bit. One fund raising event we're looking forward to, and preparing for, is a concert at the Hub in October where a local band will be performing hits. There's a rumour going around that I might be the drummer.

Photo order forms will be out next week.

Life is always interesting on planet Totara.

Best wishes and enjoy the break

Peter

Showcasing our students

Zach Welsh

Hi, I'm Zach. I'm 17 years old and currently Head Boy at Totara. I came to Totara in 2017 in Year 4. I enjoy learning, serving, and helping others.



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KATHRYN BERKETT

For Parents & Community



7.00 pm - 8.30 pm



Monday 30 June



The Hub, Dannevirke



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- Easy to understand examples

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WHO IS KATHRYN?

Educational Psychologist: Kathryn is certified in brain development with a Master's in Educational Psychology.

Expert Speaker: Kathryn has over 15 years of experience training professionals, parents and communities worldwide.



WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Raising Resilient Children:

Learn what resilience looks like. What can we do, as parents and community, to help?

Navigating the Adolescent Years:

Understanding the changes and how they affect our adolescents will give you an increased ability to deal with the behaviour that results from them.

TARARUA REAP

Rural Education Activities Programme

Fundraising News

Fundraising Committee News

As a Fundraising Committee, we raise funds to benefit the children at Totara College. We have ideas of what we would like to do to fundraise and what we would like to fundraise for but don't always have the people to carry these out. We are looking for more members (and ideas) to help us along the way. If you are interested, please come to the next meeting, Monday 16 June, 11:10am, or contact Danielle at the school office.

Please Remember...

- **Monday 2 June—King's birthday**
- Thursday 12 June— School Speeches
- Fri 13 - Sun 15—World Vision Challenge
- Monday 16 June—Fundraising Meeting
- Thursday 17 June—Interschool Speeches
- **Thursday 19 June—Teacher Only Day**
- **Friday 20 June—Matariki**
- Friday 27 June—End of Term Events

Term Dates for 2025:

- 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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