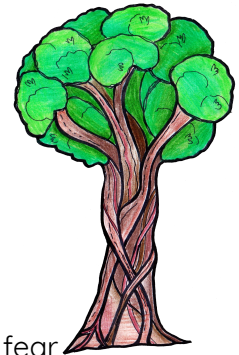


Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter #20 2020



Totara - Rātā
Growing Christ-like, Creative, Critical Learners

Welcome to Week 6/7, Term 4

Memory Verse: **2 Timothy 1:7 ESV** for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.



Goodbye to Mrs McGregor - you have been a wonderful pre-service teacher and our tamariki have been blessed by your teaching. All the best for your future career as a teacher.

Uniform

Please remember we require all students to wear school hats during Term 4. All students should continue to wear full school uniform, including correct polar fleece, and polo top. All non-regulation uniform requires a note from home.

Chinese Cultural Morning

What a successful morning it was! Te Mahuri got a special treat of having the Confucius Institute from the University of Canterbury visit us and run several rotations celebrating Chinese culture. This was a fantastic lead on from the children getting to learn Mandarin on Fridays, which is now still an option during passion project time. Not only did we all have fun making and eating dumplings, playing traditional Chinese games, making cool creations with paper, and getting fit in Martial Arts, but we also spent the morning growing in the Hope and Citizenship Rubric! Each child was given the opportunity to learn to understand and respect other cultures and worldviews.

“We are equipped to bring hope and understanding, by examining our own values and ways of seeing the world against those of God and by listening to others and evaluating their opinions against ours.” -From the Hope/Citizenship Rubric



A Minute to Win it!!

In small teams Rāta and the Year 6s from Totara worked through various fun, yet challenging tasks. They could spend only 1 minute on each task, and the totals from each game were added up at the end. When asked what they learned from this, the students said **“Determination”**, **“Team Work”**, **“Fair Play”**, **“Collaboration”** and **“Being a good sport”** - all of which can be found in our Values Competencies Rubrics. We can learn through any task, any time!

Up-and-Coming Events

TERM 4		
Week 6	Monday 16th November	Teacher Only Day - No school
	Friday 20th November	Mrs Manson to take all the Year 8s to MGS for a Science day.
Week 8	Thursday 3rd December	Day Trip to Corsair Bay- raft building & kayaking Te Mahuri Students.
Week 9	Friday 11th December	Year 8 Leavers Desert Evening For Year 8 students and their parents.
Week 10	Monday 14th December	End of Year Prizegiving Held at Rolleston College, all students attend.
	Friday 18th December	Last Day of School for 2020
2021	February 2021 17 - 19th Feb	Te Mahuri Camp to Glentui Meadows!! Details out soon.



What's new in our learning?

Health: We are part way through 4 weeks of Health focussing on Identity.

Year 5 & 6 will learn how their own feelings, beliefs, and actions, and those of other people, contribute to their personal sense of self-worth.

Year 7 & 8 how learn how social messages and stereotypes, including those in the media, can affect feelings of self-worth.

Both age groups will also look at the biblical perspective, growing in the knowledge that they are loved by God, the true source of our identity and self worth.

Passion Projects: We are trialling some time on Friday where the students choose to opt in to a variety of passion projects. As well as Gardening, Minecraft Education, Samoan Dance, and Art there also individual projects where students may pursue an area of interest and present to the hub at the end of the term.

Reading: We have begun reading novels in small groups. These books have been issued to the students so they may take them home.