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Message from the Junior Secondary Deputy Principal

Junior Secondary Literacy and Numeracy Tips School holidays are a great time to spend time with your child that you don’t normally have time to do. Find a common interest and do it together. Go to the movies with him/her and talk about what you thought of it. Encourage your child to start a journal and write about the things that you do. Develop a criteria list for rating movies, then give it a score after viewing and discuss why you have given this score. Incorporate reading and writing into everyday activities.

Some great free activities could include a visit to the Council Library or Museum. Both often run school holiday programs and exhibits that can be great for further developing literacy and numeracy skills in fun and imaginative ways. If you don’t already have one, take out a library membership so that you and your children are able to borrow some books or magazines. Explore the exhibits and talk about the things you see, hear and do.

Robyn Harvey
Deputy Principal Senior Secondary

Message from the Head of Junior Secondary and Wellbeing

Friday 20th March was the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. All students at Town High participated in this important event with a focus on the promotion of safe cyber relationships. Junior students examined the qualities of respectful online relationships and explored the ethical behaviours and responsibilities associated with this social platform.

The lessons used the metaphor of a healthy tree, with the root system representing the qualities that are important in relationships, the trunk representing the online context, and the canopy (crown) of leaves and fruit representing behaviours that are reasonable and ethical when online.

These trees are now displayed in the school foyer as a reminder and continual promotion of this topic and have been well received by all students and visitors to the school.

The Senior students took a stand together against on-line bullying.

Denise Reeves
Head of Junior Schooling and Wellbeing