

WHAT'S SO DIFFERENT ABOUT...

# TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION?



There are exciting and dramatic changes in how Technology is being taught in New Zealand schools.

TECHNOLOGY IS INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT in our everyday lives and forms an essential part of our children's general education. Senior school and tertiary graduates in Technology are vital to New Zealand's future economy and global competitiveness.



IN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION, students get to design for today and the future. In Technology classes they can develop a website for local businesses, create animation movies, work alongside food technologists developing new food products, or even build a robot.

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION presents students with rich and varied experiences. It aims for broad technological literacy within areas such as hard, soft, food and bio-related materials, electronics, and digital technologies.

IN TECHNOLOGY, students gain knowledge and skills essential for everyday life, for all kinds of careers and for tertiary study. They are encouraged to show initiative, be innovative and creative, learn independently, and take responsibility. They learn teamwork and communication skills and the value of contributing to the community both socially and economically.

TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS learn to be truly engaged and productive contributors to New Zealand's future.

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