

# TRIDENT LEADS

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Kia ora whanau

#### The Sense of a Goose

When you see geese flying along in a 'V' formation, you might consider what science has discovered about why they fly that way. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a 'V' formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going more quickly and easily because they are travelling on the trust of one another.

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone—and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front. If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation with those people who are headed the same way we are.

When the goose gets tired, it rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point.

It is sensible to take turns demanding jobs, whether with people or with geese flying south. Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. What messages do we give when we honk from behind?

Finally, and this is important—when a goose gets sick or is wounded by gunshot, and falls our of formation, two other geese fall out with that goose and follow it down to lend help and protection. They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly or until it dies, and only then do they launch out on their own, or with another formation to catch up with their group.

If we have the sense of a goose, we will stand by each other like that.

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# \$256,000 SCHOLARSHIPS AT TRIDENT!!



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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Monday 18th November Teacher Only Day

Tues 19th—Fri 22nd Nov Junior Exams

Mon 2nd—6th December Y9 Activity/Y10 Camp Week

4th December BFG Day—Seniors

6th December School Ball

10th December Junior Prize Giving

Last day Term 4

#### **JUNIOR EXAMS WEEK 6**

Tuesday 19th—Friday 22nd November are the Junior Examinations. Students are expected to be at school all day. Monday 18th November is a Teacher Only Day.

Year 9 exams are P3 & P4, Year 10 exams are P1 & P2. Normal classes will be held for the other periods.

There is a Junior Exam study timetable that has been shared with Y9 and Y10 students by their form teachers on Google Classroom. This timetable can help students plan their study over their four core subjects. There are hard copies available from form teachers for students who do not have internet access.

#### Year 10 exams period 1 & 2 in the gym

Tuesday English
Wednesday Mathematics
Thursday Science
Friday Social Studies

#### Year 9 exams period 3 & 4 in the gym

Tuesday Science
Wednesday Social Studies
Thursday English
Friday Mathematics

#### **EX STUDENT FOLLOWS HER DREAMS!**

Congratulations to ex Trident student Sophia Van Der Gulik who flew to Australia to audition for the Queensland Music Conservatorium. She was successful and is now going to follow her dreams and do a Bachelor of Music in Jazz Voice through the Griffith University in Queensland.



## **UNIFORM DONATION**

If you have any Trident white polo shirts, shorts, skirts, PE Tops, PE black shorts or polar fleeces, (in particular larger sizes) that your students no longer needs please bring them into the office for our borrowed uniform. Donations are gratefully received. Thank you.

#### PEER SUPPORT LEADERSHIP TRAINING

This week many of our Year 12 students were together for 2 days with a group of teachers and our Guidance team, training to become Peer Support Leaders for 2020. Trident's Peer Support Programme plays an important role in helping Year 9 students settle in at Trident and become part of the Trident community.

There were many laughs and a lot of fun for our Year 12's, but it was also a thought provoking and great learning experience for the group. They now feel equipped with many strategies and ideas to enable them to support new Year 9 students and look forward to meeting with their group in the new year.

















#### **NATIONAL SCIENCE CAMPS**

Congratulations to Lorena Kuchenbecker (top), Shauna Gray (centre) and Bailey Rackham (bottom) who are continuing our strong run of talented Science students who have been selected for National Science Camps.

Lorena and Shauna have been selected for the Otago University Science Academy which will see them attend two residential Science Camps on the University of Otago campus, in January and July next year.

Between science camps they will work collaboratively in small teams on a science communication project that they will present at end of the July camp. Following the July camp they will be supported by online tutors, who will present 10 online tutorials targeted at NCEA Scholarship Physics, Chemistry, and Biology in the run up to externals at the end of the year.





Bailey Rackham has been selected to attend 'Powering Potential' by the Royal Society of New Zealand. Only about 40 students get chosen for this across the country so it is a great honour to be involved. This unique opportunity will see New Zealand's most promising young students come together to seek answers to some of the big problems supported and guided by mentors. We look forward to sharing details of the camps on the return of these students.

#### **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING**

Year Nine students giving back to the community, making pikelets for the children going to the Light Party. Photo below from left to right: Aidan Liu, Kalib Schuler, Ngapera Biddle-Ratu and Xavier Shepherd.









#### TRIDENT HIGH SCHOOL BALL

Friday 6th December Come and join us for a night of celebration and dancing, as we celebrate the end of the year for our Seniors and the end of an era for our Year 13's. Tickets can be paid for at the school office and will be given out on BFG day 4th December.



DRINK PRE-BALL AS YOU WILL BE BREATHALYZED AND/OR HAVE YOUR BAG CHECKED FOR CONTRABAND PRIOR TO ENTRY. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE OFFENSE, THIS IS FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY.

#### **PREFECT TEAM 2020**

**Head Boy** - Owen Hollowood

**Deputy Head Boys** Jack Ellery **Josh Cairns Prefect Team** 



**Deputy Head Girls Ashmita Sharma** Terenia Waitere

**Head Girl** - Nicole Curtis

Finn Alison Rakau Belshaw Kate Duncan Te Iwitoa Kruger-Taylor Alex Macdonald Caleb Nelson **Rosie Perfect Tahliah Temple** Jasmine Westrupp **Isobel Wotton** 

Aryan Anand Tessa Dobson Shauna Gray Lorena Kuchenbecker Finn McCleary Chicane Paniora Carnell Perkinson Tyra Wanoa Khiarna Williams



#### **SPORTS NEWS**

#### **KAWERAU KING OF THE MOUNTAIN**

Trident was well represented at the annual Kawerau King of the Mountain race on the weekend.

Congratulations to Luke Seufert who placed 2nd in the Men's race and 1st in Junior Men with a time of 54:08.













#### **JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL GIRLS'**

The Junior B Volleyball Girls' played their first BOP preliminary games in the weekend in Tauranga. They played 4 games with one win and are very excited about the next few weekends.

We have 2 Junior Girls' teams and 1 Junior Boys' team competing in the North Island Champs in Tauranga starting on the 25th of November.









# WEEK 8—YEAR 9 ACTIVITY WEEK /

#### **YEAR 10 CAMP WEEK**

2nd—6th December is a busy week for all junior students at Trident with the Year 10 Camps and the special programme in place for the Year 9 Students.



Many thanks to all parents and caregivers for supporting students in registering early and paying Camp Fees promptly. Please ensure your child has the correct gear for their camp. Consent/Medical forms must be completed by parents/caregivers and returned to the Teacher-in-charge of the student's camp.

# Camp Fees must be paid in full prior to Friday 29th November.

All Year 10 students who are not going away on camp are enrolled in the School Based Activities. They will take part in the programme which has been organised by staff. Students will benefit from a range of practical and cultural activities. The week will be busy and fun.

For the Year 9 Special Programme there is a special thematic based programme where classes in Science, Social Studies, Maths and English come together in a cross-curricular broad study aimed at solving through co-operative work, a complex problem. It is important that the students bring paper, pens and PE gear everyday. They also need to be in correct uniform.

All Students are expected to be at school for the full week and if your child is going to be away it is important that you inform the office as soon as possible.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS IN ACTION

This week PE students have been working on balance. We have Gymnastics Trio Balancing which requires the class to work as team, be creative and respectful to others. The rock wall is also providing a first climbing experience for some showing courage.







#### **Whakatane Croquet Club**

Short St, Whakatane Have a Go day is on Sunday 10th November from 10am-12pm. All welcome.