



TRIDENT LEADS

Newsletter 3
15th February 2019
Term 1, Week 3

Kia ora whanau

Ka whati te tī, ka wana te tī, ka rito te tī

‘When the cabbage tree is broken it sprouts and throws up shoots’

This fabulous *whakaktau* encapsulates the idea that even when things appear to be broken and beyond repair, something with deep roots and strong life-force can start anew. It also holds notions of the inevitability of events once they are set in motion — including change.

Learning, by its very nature, is change. When we learn we will have changed our skills, our behaviour, our beliefs, our identity, or a combination of all four. Change can, however, be uncomfortable, sometimes threatening, and occasionally something we don’t want to work through as things feel as though they are working fine for us. As our young people move through the school they are faced with changes every year. Our Year 9 students are faced with the challenge of transitioning from being at the top end of intermediate school years, to starting again in a different and bigger environment. At the other end of the school, our Year 13s are beginning to prepare for their own new journey which will begin in 2020 – 32 school weeks to Senior Prize-giving! It is important to acknowledge that change comes in a variety of shapes and sizes, and some forms will certainly be easier to deal with than others. But resisting or deflecting the inevitable is nothing more than a drain on our time and

talents; and when we have taken on this mind-set and change does come our way, it is no wonder why we feel backed into a corner or defensive. If we are not ready for it, how can we have the knowledge and wherewithal needed to move forward and persevere? This lack of readiness is what causes us, and our young people, to suffer the most during times of change.

Preparing our young people for what is next is a much more productive use of energy that will actually help rather than hinder them in moments of uncertainty. So how can we achieve this? This morning we had an assembly with our Junior School and we raised the importance of becoming part of our traditions, our expectations and our commitment to the school’s core values. If students find it difficult to buy into our expectations, they need to think about their future roles in the school, and commit to the values that we as a school and community hold high. Quality Work and Respect for Others, underpinned by our motto – Kia Manawa Nui – be Courageous.

Kia Manawa Nui

Philip Gurney
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M.Teaching (Distinction),
M.Ed (Distinction). B.A Hons

Principal

MEET OUR PREFECT TEAM—left to right: Mr Gurney, Kaili’a Lee, Ms Elliott, Brodie Karaitiana, Maree Rouse, Taryn Forbes, Te Kahu Apiata, Caity McGougan, Sasha Mackenzie, Arielle McMillan, Tayla John, Emmalee Chapman, Tia Pettifer, Finn Spod, Seth Hands, Jazmyn Brooking, Rihari Jobe, Zion Nicholas, Linette Lengkeek, Lachie Stokes, Ngarangi Wharepapa-Morehu, Maia Alexandre, Ashlee Hiroki-Christian, Cole Hands and Daniel Ford.

Absent: Austyn Te Naiti and Dallas Teepa.



QUALITY WORK – RESPECT FOR OTHERS

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IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 21st February	Athletics Day
Wed 27th February	Year 9 Beach Day 9DG, 9JR, 9PR
Thurs 28th Feb	Year 9 Beach Day 9JB, 9MP, 9GR
Friday 1st March	Year 9 Beach Day 9SS, 9SB
Thursday 7th March	Swimming Sports
Monday 18th March	Teacher Only Day

SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS 2018



Left to right: Lachlan Spence, Sophie Van der Gulik, Mariama Hunia, Clarke Spence, Simon Winship, Courtney Moir, Megan Joy, Portia De Forest, Sara Aruquipa, Elena Miller. Absent - Holly Minchington, Jack Nelson.

ATHLETICS RESULTS 1500M RACE

We held the 1500 metre race at lunchtime on Thursday, the results are as follows:

1500 MTRS

JG – Zoe Christie 6.10, Bonnie Marie Wetting 6.39, Shannon Toone 6.40

JB – Harry Jones 5.23, Xavier De Vries 5.37, Kalib Schuler 5.38

IG – Shakira McDonald 5.52, Rikki Fitzgerald 7.01

IB – Oliver Ashburn 4.36 (equal record), Jack Wilson 5.35, Isaac Tai 5.42

SG – Teagan Andrews Paul 5.15, Isobel Wotton 5.51

SB – Ronan Van Niekerk 5.03, Jaden Barry 5.07

Also participating were :-

JB - Kalib Schuler, Makaia Duggan

IB - Josh Barry, Cody Hall, Nate Williams, Dante Walker

Well done to all the athletes and a special WELL DONE to Oliver Ashburn who equaled Hayden Wilde's 1500mtr Intermediate Record of 4min36secs...a blistering pace in blistering conditions.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Make a difference
Ki te whakapiki

How about becoming a trustee and using your skills and experiences to help shape a positive future for our children?

Who can become a trustee?

The membership of the school board includes 5 elected parent representatives, an elected staff representative and the principal. If the school has students above Year 9, the board also includes a student representative.

There will be a Parent Representative Election in June this year.

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the Trident High School Board of Trustees. You are encouraged to seek information from current Board members or Philip Gurney, the Principal about the role of a trustee. The Board of Trustees' key areas of contribution are: Representation, Leadership, and Accountability and as Employer.

The timeline for the election is:

Nomination forms will be posted by **10 May 2019**

Nominations close at noon on **24 May 2019**.

A voting paper will be posted to you by **29 May 2019**.

Voting closes at noon on **7 June 2019**.

Votes are counted on **13 June 2019**.

Lynette Bendikson
Returning Officer

ATHLETICS DAY—ATTN ALL STUDENTS

Please see **below SEVEN GOLDEN RULES** for Thursday's Athletics Day:

- 1) Come to school in Uniform and get changed into your House Colors after Form Time ****REMEMBER NO PAINT IS ALLOWED - IT IS HORRIBLE TO CLEAN UP FOR OUR HARD WORKING CLEANERS - RESPECT FOR OTHERS****
- 2) No gang reference clothing such as bandana's etc, . If you bring them **YOU WILL LOSE THEM**. This is a TRIDENT DAY, lets make it great for all of us.
- 3) Do not bring valuables to Athletics Day
- 4) Bring a small bag to keep with you which has sun block, a hat, a drink and some lunch. The Canteen will be **CLOSED** on Thursday but refreshments will be sold on the day by The Hilary Challenge Team
- 5) If you are not competing you must **STAY IN YOUR HOUSE ZONES** in the Tents at the side of track. Only competing field event students are allowed in centre of the track.
- 6) Your Form Class Room will be locked at 8:50am on Thursday and will not re-open until the end of the day. Make sure you have everything you need at the start of the day as you will not be allowed back in.
- 7) Have an awesome time and remember to **FILL YOUR ATHLETICS CARDS** by doing **AT LEAST FIVE EVENTS**.

Enjoy !!!! Mr Stanhope



PARENT WEB PORTAL

Parents and caregivers can get live access to student attendance and performance data from home or work. We are continuing to use the Parent Portal which provides information such as live attendance, NCEA credits achieved/not achieved, student notices and pastoral events. Student reports are also available.

Parents and Caregivers who have given us an e-mail address have been sent an e-mail with instructions on how to access the Parent Portal. If we do not have your e-mail address on file, you will receive these instructions by post next week. If you do not receive instructions by the end of next week, please contact the school.

Each primary caregiver will be given a separate password to log-in to the Parent Portal. The Portal is accessible through any web browser, so you can access it through a computer, tablet or phone.

There is also an app downloadable from the Google Play Store for Android phones and from the iTunes Store for iPhones. The app is called **Kamar**. After installing the app, the only settings required are the Username and Password which we have sent to you in either an e-mail or by post, and this Server Address: **<https://portal.trident.school.nz>**

The passwords we use have been auto-generated by our system and some of the words might seem a bit strange or difficult to remember. We hope that the Parent Portal will help you to stay up to date on your child's attendance and performance. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us and we will be happy to answer any questions you might have.

To access the Portal in your browser, simply type the link **<https://portal.trident.school.nz>** into your browser, fill in the Username and Password field and you're ready to go.

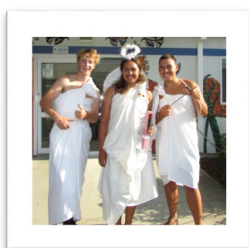
If you have not received your login details for the Parent Portal please advise the office.

Please ensure the office has your up-to-date email details. Thank you.

VALENTINE'S DAY AT TRIDENT

Our Prefects got into the fun spirit and dressed as Cupids delivering 200 pre-ordered chocolate roses to celebrate Valentine's Day.

This was well received by the students and staff alike.

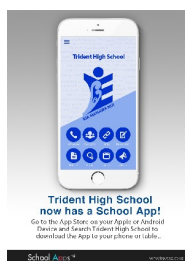


TEACHER AIDE POSITION AT TRIDENT

We have an opportunity for a caring, spirited adult who enjoys the challenges of working with young people to work at Trident High School as a Teacher Aide in our Junior classes. School hours apply. If you are interested in applying please contact Trident High School with your name and contact details.

TRIDENT HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL APP

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android Device and Search Trident High School to Download the App to your phone or tablet.



ID CARDS

If you wish to purchase an ID card, these are available to order from the office for \$6.00. The cards are printed at Lazer Photos and are great for students who may need ID and age verification.



FEE PAYMENTS

All fees can be paid by direct credit/internet banking to ASB Whakatane to account number: **12-3253-0004257-00.**

Please quote student name or ID number.

Careers corner will resume next week.

NCEA PROCESS

For a reference to NCEA go to the Trident High App – on google play store.

On the app check out the LINKS that explain the NCEA process.

- > - Student Academic Guidelines
- > - Understanding NCEA Booklet



Newsletter by email? If you would like to receive this newsletter by email please email newsletter@trident.school.nz

ABSENTEES

At Trident we require parents and caregivers to contact the school in the event that their student is absent for any reason. We have an answering machine where messages can be left before school or, in the event that you cannot speak to one of our office staff you can notify the school by using the Absentee option on the App and send us an email.

It is vital that we receive a reason to explain a student's absence in order to correctly enter this information onto the computer system. If a student is away without contact from home an automated text message will be sent or our absence administrator will call home to seek an explanation. We sincerely appreciate contact from home in regards to student absences.

LATENESS FOR SCHOOL

If a student is late to school:-

- They are to sign in at the office.
- The caregiver is to ring with an explanation or send a note with the student to hand in at the office.
- The student will receive a late note to go to class.
- If a student is late 3 times in a week or has persistent lateness, a letter or phone call home will be actioned by the form teacher.
- If lateness continues, contact will be made by a Dean or a member from Senior Management.

PHONE USE IN CLASS

A reminder to parents; please do not phone your students during class time. This is taking up the Teacher's time and creates a distraction from learning. If you should need to contact your student please do so at our interval or lunch break.



UNWELL STUDENTS

Some students are texting/phoning home saying they are unwell and asking parents to collect them; as a safety system they must go to the sick bay. Parents will be notified immediately should the student need to be collected. Please reinforce this procedure with your child. To ensure we can contact you in an emergency please make sure school is aware of any changes to your contact details.

SOFTBALL

We need a team from Trident to compete in a local Secondary School Competition

Wednesday nights at 4.30pm

5 weeks before the end of Term 1.

All gear will be supplied

Slow Pitch – so don't have to be an expert

\$10 per team

Ideal for those new to the game/inexperienced

Please come and sign up with Mrs Marrow in the Sports Co-ordinator's office.

2019 HOUSE LEADERS

Congratulations to our house leaders for 2019!

We look forward to hearing the house group chants on Athletics Day.

NGATA

Ngaio Wilson—Leader

Patrick O'Connell—Leader

Broadie Melbourne-Rapana—Deputy Leader

Xavier Bain—Deputy Leader

KARA

James Burke—Leader

Haylee Peita—Leader

Grace Flowerday—Deputy Leader

Nathan Gebert—Deputy Leader

POMARE

Avalon Douglas—Leader

Michael Rush—Leader

Emma Paine—Deputy Leader

Joel Blackwood—Deputy Leader

BUCK

Victor Evans—Leader

Pippi James—Leader

Chloe Daniels—Deputy Leader

Joshua Law—Deputy Leader

HEATH NOTICE—MEASLES

With recent cases of measles in our region and students returning to school, the local Medical Officer of Health is urging parents to ensure their children have been immunised against measles.

"In January this year there were 11 reported cases of measles in the Waikato region and two in the Bay of Plenty and Lakes areas," says Dr Neil de Wet, Medical Officer of Health. "It is an important time to check if you and your whānau are up to date with the measles immunisations."

Measles is highly infectious and is spread from person to person through the air by breathing, sneezing or coughing. Just being in the same room as someone with measles can lead to infection if you are not immune. Measles can be serious with around one in ten people who get measles needing to be hospitalised.

ATC RECRUITMENT NIGHT - MONDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Come and check us out on Recruitment Night, this is open to all those who are interested in joining ATC who will be 13-15 years old or beginning high school in 2019.

Please come along and feel free to bring your parents! There will be a presentation outlining what we do in cadets, the joining process and then some fun team-work activities! Enquiries to Bronwyn Hanna 027 779 7738.