



TRIDENT LEADS

Newsletter 1
31st January 2020
Term 1, Week 1

Kia ora and welcome to Trident for Term One, 2020.

Our Principal, Mr Gurney, is away on sabbatical so it is my pleasure and privilege to lead the school for the first term and get the school year underway. Other staff affected by this change for Term One are Mrs Reddish, who will continue to be Acting Deputy Principal and Mr Rowland who is joining the Senior Management and Leadership Team as an Acting Assistant Principal. They will work alongside the Deputy Principals Mrs Haydon-Howard and Mrs McCaull, and our Assistant Principal, Mrs Bellamy.

We are delighted to welcome new staff to the school – Ms Hurst will replace Ms Nolan for terms one and two in Science, Mrs Knight, who will be teaching Social Studies and helping some of our senior students to fill in gaps in their learning from 2019, and Mr Waaka who will be joining our Maori Department. In addition, we have pleasure in welcoming back Mr Dobbin, Technology and Mrs Thompson, Photography/Art.

Trident has a fabulous team of experienced and effective teachers who, refreshed from the summer break, are ready to work with our students and help guide them to academic success. They will work in partnership with you to set up great working routines which will support students learning both at school and at home. The new year is an excellent opportunity to start fresh and put in place routines and habits to ensure our students are going to have the best chance of success. Key habits to establish are –

- students leave home *in the proper uniform* for school
- students leave home *on time* for the bus or to walk to school
- students *attend school every day* without exception
- students *have a place and a set time* for doing homework at home
- senior students *share their term planners* with you at home to manage the range of assessments across their subject areas
- junior students *leave their phones* at home

If these routines are in place, students have a better chance at succeeding in school. If there are any obstacles to these habits that we can help with, contact your student's Form Teacher or Dean as the first point of call and let us work together to solve any problems.

Partnership with whanau is a key focus for us and we want to build strong connections with you for 2020. There will be lots of opportunities for whanau to join us in school – information evenings, meet and greet the teachers evenings, student led conferences and also an informal **Korero Café** held in the Library every second **Thursday from 2:45 – 4:00 pm**. Bring a friend, bring your tamariki and come and have a cup of tea and share with us your ideas, suggestions, comments on what is working well at the school and what could be better. Let us get to know you, and support your students' success through an active partnership.

On a final note, some housekeeping to help with the smooth running of the school.

Uniform and school gear is an expense for whanau and it is helpful to label or mark everything that your student brings or wears at school. This will aid in returning lost property or identifying ownership of gear.

Bringing a phone to school can cause problems for students; this is an expensive item and if lost or stolen it can be distressing. Phones can also be a distraction if misused in class and they reduce student interaction during break time and lunchtime. Phones are NOT allowed in class and will be confiscated if misused. Please don't contact students on their phones during school time as this disrupts their learning and gives mixed messages about phone use in school. The school asks that junior students don't bring a phone to school and that senior students who bring a phone are supported by whanau and parents in reaffirming the school rules around phone use.

Whilst I have identified all the opportunities for us to meet as teaching staff and whanau, the school also has, of course, an open door policy and you are welcome at any time. If you are concerned about your student or need clarification about school academic programmes or systems, please contact the Deans at the year level or a member of the Senior Management and Leadership Team for help. We also have a highly effective Guidance team led by Angela Barr in the Student Services Centre.

I look forward to an exciting, busy and fulfilling first term for our students, in which we work together to ensure they have the best possible opportunities for success.



Nga mihi,

Adrienne Scott-Jones
Acting Principal

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NEWS REQUEST

Please email thompsonsh@trident.school.nz with details of your child's achievements so we can chat to them and share their success. Many thanks!

EAT SMART

PASTA & RICE



Tuna Pasta	from \$4.00
Italian Pasta	\$4.00
Pesto Chicken Pasta	\$5.00
Teriyaki Chicken ^{on Rice}	\$5.50
Butter Chicken ^{on Rice}	\$5.50
Sushi	from \$4.00

WRAPS+SAMMIES

Classic Sandwiches	from \$3.00
Gourmet Sandwiches	\$5.50
1/2 Wrap	\$4.00
Whole Wrap	\$7.00
Roll ^{Ham, Beef, Chicken or Vege}	from \$5.50
Crispy Chicken Roll	\$3.60
Butter Chicken Wrap	\$5.00

THE CLASSICS

Hash Brown	\$1.00
Chicken Tender	\$2.00
Garlic Bread ^{Plain or Cheesy}	from \$2.20
Popcorn	\$2.20
Wedges	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$3.50
Cheese Burger	\$4.00
Chicken Burger	\$5.50

EAT SMART SALADS

Freshly made Eat Smart salads are available daily. Also see the Pasta & Rice category for full list of pasta salads.



BLACKBOARD SPECIALS

New food, special deals and more! Ask our friendly staff at the tuckshop what the Blackboard Special of the day is!



See the fridges and cabinets at the tuckshop for the full selection available and ask about our gluten free options! Don't forget to ask for your free fruit with purchase!

2020 WELCOME POWHIRI

Thank you to all who made our Powhiri night a memorable and successful introduction to Trident for our new whanau. We had Year 9 students looking fabulous in our Trident uniform, engaged and supportive whanau contributing to their students education right from the outset. Year 13 Peer Support Leaders demonstrated maturity and confidence in welcoming our youngest members of the school to Trident and teachers ensured that the evening was informative, supportive and set the tone for our exciting year ahead. We go forth with pride and excitement into what will be a great 2020.

SCHOOL DATES FOR FEBRUARY

Thursday 6th February	Waitangi Day
Wednesday 12th February	School Photos
Thursday 13th February	Café Korero Library 2.45pm—4.00pm
Thursday 27th February	Athletics Day

THANK YOU

Thank you the Shuler family at **White Cross Orchard** for our watermelons and Wynand Kruger at **Countdown** for the donated food for our Powhiri, it was most appreciated and enjoyed by all.



KIA MANAWA NUI—HAVE COURAGE