

TRIDENT LEADS

Newsletter 8
20th March 2020
Term 1, Week 8

KIA 'Kia ora koutou,

A huge thanks is in order for our teaching staff this week as they took on the challenge of distance learning preparation in the event that we were directed to close our school. This online learning preparation is, of course, immediately a response to the Covid-19 situation, but also sets our students up to be more confident

twenty first century learners. Deputy Principal Tui McCaull and HoD Science, Katie Elliott designed two half days of upskilling and training to ensure that were our classes to move online, teachers would feel confident to manage delivering material, assessments and feedback to students. Thank you to those



whanau who made sure students brought their devices and Chrome Books today so that they were prepared for the practice run on online learning.

The school has activated our Pandemic Plan and is responsive to the changing situation. As parents and whanau please can you support our efforts through the following-

- Keep students in school learning in accordance with the current Ministry of Education directive. There is a possibility that student learning will be interrupted in the future so let's make the most of our opportunities now and maximize student's learning and achievement.
- Contact school if your child is sick and should not be at school and let us know their status.
- Contact school if you or a family member has returned from overseas and is in self-isolation to let us know the arrangements you have made for your student.
- Take special care to read the emails that are sent with updates from the school so that our planning is coordinated with you.
- personal hygiene habits that the Ministry of Health and the World Health Organisation recommend. These are the single biggest factor in combatting the virus. They are simple but fundamental if we are going to help to resist the spread of the virus and keep our community safe and well.



- 1 HANDS Wash them often
- 2 ELBOW Cough into it
- 3 FACE Don't touch it
- 4 FEET Stay more than 3ft (1m) apart
- 5 FEEL sick? Stay home

I know it is a worrying time for whanau and it is really important to look after the family's sense of wellbeing too and not let students or other family members become too anxious. Advice about managing the stress during this time includes-

For children and young adults

- Have open and honest conversations
- Give the facts in a way that is appropriate to their age and temperament
- Listen to their questions
- Let them know they will be okay and that it is normal to feel anxious in such times
- Limit access to media and social media which increases anxiety
- Spend time talking about normal life and positive things

For our older whanau and friends we should be -

- Checking in on them and staying in touch
- Help them with physical and practical needs

The Ministry of Health has emphasized that we need to practice "physical distancing" to stand apart from people to prevent the spread, not "social distancing" – we still need to keep in touch and connect with each other, even if that relies on technology!

Have a peaceful weekend with whanau.



Adrienne Scott-Jones

Acting Principal

SERVICE ACADEMY INDUCTION CAMP—see inside for article.



Service Academy students are: (in alphabetical order) Caleb Bateson, Dionte Cameron-Ruissen, Ruby Clark, Jade Dalton, Hineaio Davis, Te Para Heke, Marcus McGarva, Robbie Merkofer, Ben Moir, Salisa Page, Sam Royal, Rewiata Semmens, Nikita Stephenson, Travis Stevenson, Issac Tai, Pharell Te Riini, Holden Turner, Ellie van Dusschoten, Megan Wait and Levi Williams.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 26th March First Elective P5

Korero Café Library

2.45pm-4.00pm

Friday 27th March Reports Out

Shave for a Cure

Tuesday 7th April Cross Country
Thursday 9th April End of Term 1

Monday 27th April Anzac Day holiday

Tuesday 28th April Start of Term 2

CANCELLED—FORM TEACHER GOAL SETTING INTERVIEWS

Unfortunately the interviews have been cancelled. Reports will now be emailed on Friday 27th March with the students goals, please take the time to discuss these at home with your student.

CANCELLATIONS—COVID 19 UPDATES

All cancellations will be published on our website https://www.trident.school.nz/

We will keep our website updated as soon as we are notified if a School trip or sports event is cancelled.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS POETRY AWARD

The National Schools Poetry Award is back on again for 2020. The deadline for submissions is Monday 6 July 2020 and it is open to Year 12 and 13 students. We know we have many talented poets at Trident and we urge you to enter this competition. This year, for the first time, the competition is accepting entries in Te Reo Māori.

On the site attached you will also find a Poetry Kit. This is a

resource with writing exercises, links to useful and inspiring creative writing websites and tips on writing from internationally acclaimed poets.

https://schoolspoetryaward.co.nz/



PE UNIFORM - IMPORTANT MESSAGE

This message is for all Whanau of students who study Physical Education at Trident. Due to the latest developments of Covid-19 and our priority to keep hygiene as high as possible, we will no longer be able to issue uniform to those students who fail to bring it to lessons. From Monday 23rd March, if your son/daughter does not bring their own PE uniform to the lesson they will not be allowed to participate and will be given a theoretical task to do instead away from the PE Lesson. We expect students to bring their own blue PE shirt and black shorts.

SERVICE ACADEMY INDUCTION CAMP

Trident's Service Academy attended the Central Regions Service Academy Induction Camp at Waiouru Military Army Base from 2nd-13th March. The camp is run by the NZDF Youth Life Skills Unit made up of serving personnel from the Navy, Army and Air force. The camp aims to instill selfdiscipline and resilience in the individual and mould the Academy into a cohesive team. The students took part in activities like Drill, Physical Training, Team Building, Trust Activities, Barrack Routine, Adventure Based Learning Activities and Resilience Training. The Service Academy students were also able to catch a glimpse of Te Ua Keepa and Brandon Biggs (both Ex Trident Service Academy Students) currently attending Army Basic Training. The Camp was a huge success with students being pushed both physically and mentally. The end of the camp was celebrated with a parade attended by family and friends of the students.

Ben Moir received two awards: Fastest Male Cross Country and Fastest Army Fitness Test. Ellie van Dusschoten received 3 awards, Fastest Female Cross Country, Fastest Army



Fitness Test and Most Improved Trident Trainee. (*above*) Holden Turner received the award for Tridents Top Trainee. For the third year running Trident also received the award for the fastest time over the Assault Course.

Well done to our service academy students and a big thank you to Mr Shaw!







GATEWAY NEWS

Meet Anika, a former Trident student who gained a bakery apprenticeship through the Gateway programme in 2019. Anika is working at the New World bakery and just came back from a 4 day course in Auckland where they learnt all about bread making.

Anika's next goal is to finish all the assignments early and

the apprenticeship, then travel the world and open up a bakery.

We wish you all the best Anika and are looking forward to having this amazing student back in the Gateway classes in 2020 as a guest speaker



sharing what it is like to be working full time as a baker.

NEW GATEWAY EMPLOYERS

Karen Benge and Jeanette Pleijte, from Trident's Gateway Department, would like to thank the following new employers who are giving our Trident students the chance to do work experience:

Da Silva Autos, Awakeri, Placemakers Whakatane Otakiri Primary School, Tuscany Villas Glenn's Glass Whakatane, Gather & Co

Chainsaws and Mowers, Eastern Bay Chiropractic

Tonya Greig—Farm Management Consultant Grant Farms Ltd Earthmoving and Cartage

HILLARY CHALLENGE

The 5 week countdown to the Hillary Challenge 2020 Finals is on! The Whakatane and Trident High School combined team went out on their first overnight training mission at 7pm Wednesday night after they had already competed in the Club Rogaine in Rotorua which added about 12km to their overall travel time. Trekking 20km from Lake Rotoiti to Humphrey's Bay (Lake Tarawera), the team got to bed at 1am. They then tramped to the Tarawera Falls with only a few hours sleep and covered 13km, all while carrying as much as 18kg in their packs. Good work team, keep it up! From left: Milla Dibben (WHK), Isobel Wotton (TRI) Finn McCleary (TRI), Morgan Overington (WHK) Ella Julian (WHK), Asger Evans (TRI), Jacob Bridge (TRI) Cambell Julian (WHK).



CAREERS CORNER

Update of Career Events - locally and nationally

As with every aspect of life just now, there are a number of career events being **cancelled**. Please check websites or check with Robyn Cannell before booking flights to attend Open Days at Universities or other events.

Over the last 24 hours the following events have been cancelled:

- Dairy Industry Open Day—Wednesday 25 March
- Otago University Information Evening, Tauranga
 Wednesday 25 March
- Eastern Bay of Plenty Careers Expo Monday 18 May
- Rotorua Careers Expo
- Dunedin Tertiary Open Day—Sunday 3 and Monday 4 May

Careers Information on the Internet

Here are some websites for you to research on:

Website	Content
	Description
www.careers.govt.nz	Jobs Database,
	Career ideas,
	interactive
	quizzes, CV
	preparation
http://www.schoolconnect.co.nz	Ideas, links
	between job
	profiles and
	employers, job
	profiles
www.defencecareers.mil.nz	Information on all
	forces, fitness
	requirements and
	application
	processes
www.healthcareers.org.nz	Careers in health,
	training, scholar-
	ships, advice
www.skills.org.nz	Electro
	technology,
	ambulance,
	financial services,
	real estate etc.
https://school-leavers-	A bilingual website
toolkit.education.govt.nz/	with a range of
	information for
	students and
	families

SPORTS NEWS

SURF LIFE SAVING NATIONALS

Last week Trident students, Finn McCleary, Ben Moir, Michael Esterhuizen, Zoe Christie, Caitlyn Esterhuizen, Mereaira Edgar, Rikki Fitzgerald, Georgia Gault and teacher, Mr Williamson travelled to Gisborne to compete in the National Surf Life Saving event. The weather was cold and the sea was messy with big waves, which made for very challeng-

ing conditions. Finn competed in the U19 age group for the first time and did well qualifying for semi-finals in some of his individual events. Ben Moir had solid performances qualifying



events as well as the Taplin Relay and U19 Double Ski with Michael. Michael came home with a silver medal in the U16 Ski and a bronze medal in the U16 Board Relay. He also made the finals in the Board event, Taplin Relay and Double Ski. Zoe and Caitlyn both competed in the U16 age group for the first time and did well qualifying for semi-finals in some of their individual and team events as well as a final for their Board Relay.

Mereaira and Rikki made the semi-final in the U19 Canoe and Georgia got a bronze medal for the Open Women's Canoe. Mr Steve Williamson competed in the Masters category and got two bronze medals in the Sprint Relay and Masters Canoe. Congratulations to all our lifeguards on their results.







MAMMOTH ENDURO MOUNTAIN BIKING

Congratulations to Eve Smith who had a great weekend competing down in Nelson. She says the Mammoth Enduro definitely earns its name with "some gnarly downhills followed by some crazy uphills with some wicked views!" Eve was happy to place 2nd in U21 category.



BOP SCHOOLS' SHOWJUMPING



On Wednesday the school's Equestrian Team of Talia Good, Kyra Seymour, Molly Byford, Ella McKenzie, Ruby Harper, Milly Wilshier and Mikayla Hall competed in the BOP Schools Team Show Jumping. Because of our strong numbers we put in two teams. One of our teams won the School Trophy! The winning team was made up of Kyra Seymour, Talia Good, Molly Byford and Mikayla Hall. Congratulations to all our riders for taking part in the day and doing so well.





PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

We would like to thank Bike Barn who spent time with our group, teaching them how to look after their mountain bikes in preparation for their 84km ride on the Timber Trail next week.



Recently our Level 2 PE Outdoors ran a team building leadership day at Whakatane Intermediate. It is great to see Trident students showing positive leadership and having fun in our community!



