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# TRINITY TRIBUNE

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to 2020.

It has been wonderful to see our students returning and arriving for the first time to Trinity College. We have introduced our new staff, into some exciting new initiatives.

I will outline some of the new initiatives for Trinity College over the next couple of articles, as there are so many, I cannot fit them all into one newsletter!

We begin with the use of our two new buildings, the Design Hub (with a woodwork classroom, a metalwork classroom and a Design Centre) and the Graham Staines building (core classrooms for Year 6). Our old industrial arts building has been recommissioned into our maintenance and grounds workshop, and renamed the Laurence (Laurie) Grant building.

Our school has added to it's fleet of buses to transport students to out of school learning opportunities, including sports competitions, as well as providing transport to and from school. We will be excited to see our full-sized 59 seater bus in operation.

With the relocation of Year 6 to our new classrooms, this frees up two classrooms for other purposes. The Music Room is now a resource for the whole school from Kindy right through to Year 12, and the Drama room is now for Drama as well as one of our new subjects for 2020, Film, Television and Media.

The other re-purposed classroom is our Gifted and Talented learning space, designed to extend, enrich and empower our students to reach their very best. A team of Mrs.

Linda James and Mrs. Yolande Van Eeden will be developing and implementing world best practice from this learning support to ensure our upper academic achievers are able to step into what God has in store for them!

I finish this article with mentioning that another new initiative for 2020 is the implementation of a two week rotating timetable. We have intentionally called the two weeks of the timetable Green Week and Yellow Week. These colours are chosen so that you can remember which week it is according to putting out your bins at home. Depending on your suburb, it will either match perfectly with when you put out your recycling bin, or it will be the opposite week. This two week timetable allows for a number of things – one of which is a greater 'spread' of subjects for our secondary students, so they do not always have Maths, for example, last on a Thursday.

I will mention some other advantages to this arrangement next week.

Stephen Babbage.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### WEEK THREE

#### GRIP PRIMARY LEADERSHIP DAY

Monday, 10th February

#### GRIP SECONDARY LEADERSHIP DAY

Tuesday, 11th February

### WEEK FOUR

#### COLLEGE PHOTO DAY

Wednesday, 19th February

### WEEK FIVE

#### SWIMMING CARNIVAL YEARS 4 - 12

Wednesday, 26th February

### WEEK SEVEN

#### YEAR 6 CAMP

Capricornia Caves  
Wednesday, 11th March  
to  
Friday, 13th March

### WEEK EIGHT

#### NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING

Friday, 20th March

### WEEK TEN

#### CROSS COUNTRY YRS 4-12

Tuesday, 31st March  
8am - 11:30am

#### OFFICIAL OPENING NEW BUILDINGS

Friday, 3rd April  
8:40am - 10:20am

# INTRODUCING BRENDAN VAN DER KOOIJ

Hello students, parents and fellow Trinity staff. If you haven't already met me, my name is Brendan Van der Kooij and I am one of the teachers within the HPE department. As well as HPE I also teach Science and English with the Year 7s.

My wife Daniella and I only got married just over two weeks ago, so the last couple of weeks have been a bit of a whirlwind, filled with lots of exciting times. We just made the move across to Gladstone from Perth, Western Australia. We both loved the idea of moving to a coastal country town as we both have a love for the ocean and the community feel that

exists in country towns. I love spearfishing too, which I heard Gladstone is great for!

During my schooling I really valued the supportive Christian environment that existed at Rehoboth which was the small Christian school I went to in Perth. My teachers showed genuine care for my education and me as a person. I also developed my Christian faith through Christian Studies and devotions we had at the start of each day. These experiences played a big role in why I jumped at the opportunity to teach at Trinity because I want to give that same experience to the students that I get

to teach.

I'm looking forward to getting to know everything about Gladstone and getting to know everyone within the school community. Feel free to introduce yourself if you see me at school!



## SPORTS UPDATE

Hello Trinity Families and welcome back to 2020,

A very warm welcome also to our new families and students.

If you are new to Trinity or not sure what I do, I oversee and manage all representative sport and team sport at Trinity College with the exception of Rugby Union.

Port Curtis and Capricornia nominations are open now for various sports and it can be a little daunting if you have never been involved with representative sport before.

The progression from school sport to representative sport is:

- School Swimming, Cross Country, Athletics Carnival, Club and School Team Sport
- Port Curtis Sport
- Capricornia Sport
- State Titles
- National Titles

Presently we have a large number of sports to nominate for Port Curtis Sport and Capricornia. Port Curtis advise the

school on what experience is necessary for each sport to enable a student to trial. Their advice can range from being highly competitive to highly experienced dependent on the sport. Some sports like Touch Football and Netball have a set number of students per school that can trial. This number is set by Port Curtis.

To choose which age group, students must nominate in the age group they are turning this year prior to the 31st December, 2020.

To nominate for PC Sport, families have 3 options:

1. Students can nominate directly with me in 2nd break at school when I call for nominations.
2. Student can forward me an email requesting to nominate.
3. Parents can forward me an email requesting to nominate.

If I receive more than the required number of students for a sport, we will hold a selection trial at Trinity College with a qualified coach for that sport as a selector.

Trial information and paperwork will be forwarded to families following approved nominations. This is dependent on:

1. Receipt of trial information from Port Curtis Sports Convenors.
2. Cut-off date timeline for nominations at Trinity College.
3. Student meets the Port Curtis selection criteria.
4. Trinity selection trials (if required).

I post upcoming trials and dates and reminders on the following sites: Facebook, Class Dojo and Google Classroom.

The best point of contact for me is via email. Please do not hesitate to contact me on email should you have any questions or alternatively email to make an appointment to come and see me to discuss your child/children's sporting goals for this year. I would love to help you.

Wishing you all a wonderful year and I look forward to your contact.

Anne Grice, Sports Director

### Port Curtis 10-12 Years - Term 1 & 2 Trial Dates

Sport	PC Trial	Cap Trial
AFL	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 09 <sup>th</sup> March Mackay
Swimming		Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February paper nominations due to Cap Sport
Basketball	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March Emerald
Golf		Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February paper nominations due to Cap Sport
Hockey	Thursday 05 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March Rockhampton
Netball	Thursday 05 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March Mackay
Boys Rugby League	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 05 <sup>th</sup> May Emerald
Girls Rugby League	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Sunday 02 <sup>nd</sup> and Monday 03 <sup>rd</sup> August Emerald
Football (Soccer)	Thursday 02 <sup>nd</sup> April	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> and Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May Gladstone
Rugby Union	Thursday 02 <sup>nd</sup> April	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May Gladstone
Touch Football	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May Mackay
Tennis	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May Rockhampton
Cross Country	Friday 01 <sup>st</sup> May	Monday 01 <sup>st</sup> June Rockhampton
Softball	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> and Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June Gladstone

### Port Curtis 13-19 Years - Term 1 Trial

SPORT	PC DATE	CAP DATE
15-19 Boy's cricket	Already held	11 Feb - Gladstone
13-19 Tennis	3 February	12 Feb - Gladstone
13-19 Softball	4 February	13 February - Gladstone
13-19 Swimming	No PC trials	Nominate to Cap by 18 Feb
13-15, 16-19 girl's netball	10 February	27 February - Mackay
13-15, 16-18 Touch	17 February	3 March - Rockhampton
12-15, 16-19 Volleyball	17 February	3 March - Gladstone
14-15, 16-18 girl's rugby league	10 February	4 March - Gladstone

  

SPORT	PC DATE	CAP DATE
10-19 Squash	18 February	4 March - Mackay
13-14 AFL boys and girls	20 February	10 March - Mackay
16-18 basketball	25 February	17 March - Emerald
14-15, 16-18 boy's rugby league	25 February	17 March - Rockhampton
13-19 Hockey	26 February	18 March - Rockhampton
13-19 soccer	27 February	19 March - Rockhampton
17-18 boy's rugby union	11 March	31 March - Mackay
15-16 girl's rugby union 7's	11 March	Invitational for states