Kia ora koutou. It's been a busy and productive first two terms here at Trades Academy. We have more than 300 students enrolled in our programmes at NMIT, Whenua Iti Outdoors and Connexis Civil Infrastructure. It's always fantastic to see our students engaged in such a wide variety of programmes and activities and to see their skills and confidence growing with each week.

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Our student surveys tell us that the things students enjoy and appreciate most about Trades Academy is the support they receive from their tutors and the opportunities they have to do something different each week. Our students tell us they love the practical, hands-on nature of our programmes, whether it's machining metal to make a grass kart in Mechanical Engineering, taking part in a canyoning expedition as part of the Tourism Operations programme or visiting a major roading project as part of the Civil Infrastructure course.

To keep up-to-date with what's going on at Trades Academy, check out our Facebook page, where we regularly post updates on what our students have been up to. You may be surprised at the projects our students have been working on.

Shaaron James - Manager

News in brief

New programmes and initiatives coming in 2019

- Service Industries Internships
- Industry-Education Partnership Forums
- Driver License Training

More details on page 3.

New Brochure

Check out our new brochure for 2019 – available through school in early Term 3.



The brochure has information on all our programmes for 2019, as well as profiles of our current students. Have a look at our Graduate student stories to see where Trades has taken some of our young people.

Contact your school Trades Coordinator or Careers Advisor for a copy.

Trades Academy Open Day at NMIT

Year 11 students recently had the opportunity to visit Trades Academy programmes at NMIT, to find out more before making subject selection choices for 2019. 200 students toured NMIT Nelson, observing the activities of this years' students to see if Trades Academy is for them.



Industry-Education Partnership Forum

This inaugural event held in June, brought together young people working within our Primary Industries sector and senior students. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and hear the stories of these young employees to find out about employment and training opportunities within the diverse primary sector. Students will have the opportunity to undertake site visits later this year.



Filming

In May we launched a film project to capture Trades students and tutors "in action". Our aim is to show the community the opportunities Trades Academy provides our young people and the skills and experiences they have as part of the programme. Look out for our adverts in the cinema and on our Facebook page and website in the near future.





- Nayland College
- » Waimea College
- » Garin College
- » Nelson College for Girls
- Nelson College
- » Motueka High School
- » Te Kura Kaupapa o Tuia Te Matangi
- » Tapawera Area School
- » Rai Valley Area School
- » Murchison Area School
- » Collingwood Area School
- » Golden Bay High School
- » Marlborough Girls' College
- » Marlborough Boys¹ College
- » Queen Charlotte College
- » Kaikoura High School
- » Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu (Correspondence School)
- » Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology
- » Whenua Iti Outdoors
- » Connexis ITO



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TOTSTA Highlights Terms 1 & 2

Here's a brief look at a few of the things that have been happening in Terms 1 & 2 in some of our Trades classes.

Sport & Exercise: There's not much sitting still in the Sport & Exercise class. On top of regular trips to Results Gym, the class has also had several other trips out, including paddle-boarding at Tahunanui beach, visiting the Victory Gym and training on the challenging Tamaki Steps!



Health & Support Services:

Students in Health & Support Services learnt about the importance of infectious disease control in health and hospital settings in a recent class. As part of this they had to practice putting on full disease control and prevention equipment, including face guards, gloves and gowns.



Tourism Operations:

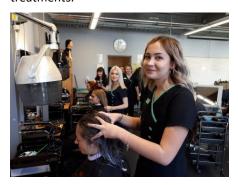
Students in the Tourism Operations programme have had the opportunity to experience some of the best tourist activities in the top of the south. One highlight would have to be their canyoning adventure in the Abel Tasman National Park.



Hospitality: Hospitality students are getting a taste of the industry by assisting with the catering of real life functions, including the recent fundraising event for the Cancer Society at the Trafalgar Centre. Trades Academy students worked alongside fulltime NMIT Culinary Arts students to help prepare dinner for more than 300 guests.



Hairdressing & Beauty: Learning how to look after clients and provide treatments is all in a day's work for Trades Hairdressing & Beauty students. Students recently hosted their own "clients" at the NMIT salons, offering a range of hairdressing and beauty treatments.



Primary Industries: If you've ever wanted to know more about fish, the Aquaculture module in the Primary Industries programme is a good place to start. Students are learning all about our region's important aquaculture sector. They recently had the opportunity to fish for salmon at the Anatoki Salmon Farm.



Adventure Tourism: Students were faced with a cold, wet and challenging week recently when they took to the sea for the kayaking component of this programme. However, the Trades Academy crew took this all in their stride, wrapped up warmly and went out in search of rainbows. Good on you - we admire your mahi, your can-do attitude and your fortitude!



Kayaking in the Abel Tasman

Civil Infrastructure: Health & Safety training is a crucial part of the civil infrastructure industry. Students in the Civil Trades programme were recently able to complete an industry induction with Fulton Hogan — it's all about getting work ready!



Uniformed Services: Have you ever wanted to know what it would be like to try out for the Police Force? That's exactly what students in the Uniformed Services programme did recently when the police put them through their paces completing the challenging Police Physical Competency test.



Important Dates and Upcoming Events

Subject Selection Evenings: Look out for our stand at your school's Subject Selection evening – we will be available to answer questions and provide more information on our programmes and choices for 2019.

Student Reports: Mid-year reports for students enrolled in programmes based at NMIT and Connexis Civil infrastructure will be available through school by the first week of Term 3. These reports will include the unit standards and credits achieved by students in their Trades programmes to date. Final reports for the year will be sent to schools by 6th November. These will include the final summary of all unit standards and credits achieved throughout the year.

Students enrolled in programmes based at Whenua Iti will receive a full report following completion of their final block course.

TOTSTA NMIT Showcase and Grass Karts Competition – Friday 19 October

This year will see the inaugural combined Grass Karts competition and TOTSTA NMIT Showcase, which will be hosted by Tapawera Area School. Students in the following programmes from both Nelson and Marlborough will take part in a day of competitions and demonstrations – Hairdressing and Beauty, Hospitality, Mechanical Engineering and Automotive Engineering. This will be an exciting opportunity for students to demonstrate the skills they have perfected over the previous three terms and will culminate in a series of competitions and showcase demonstrations by students. More information will be available closer to the day.





Graduation Award Ceremonies -25th and 26th October

These end of year ceremonies celebrate the achievements and successes of all our TOTSTA students. Parents and whanau are welcome and encouraged to attend as we acknowledge the hard work and commitment of students. More details will be provided.

Marlborough Awards Ceremony Thursday 25 October, 12noon NMIT, Budge St, Blenheim Nelson Awards Ceremony
Friday 26 October, 12noon
Old St Johns Church, Hardy St, Nelson

New Initiatives for 2019

While most of our programmes will remain the same for 2019, we are always looking at ways to enhance the opportunities available to students. Below are some of the new initiatives we aim to develop in 2019. More information will be available on our website, once these are finalised.

Industry Education Partnership Forums – A key focus for TOTSTA is developing opportunities for industry and educators to work together for the benefit of students in our region. We will host a series of Industry forums in 2019 which will offer senior students the chance to be better informed about future work and training opportunities within our major industry sectors regionally and nationally. The forums will bring together students and young workers in industry, who will share their stories on what it means to train and work within their industry. The Forums will include site visits and on-going mentoring.

Services Industries Internships Programme (Whenua Iti Outdoors) – In 2019, students who have completed a previous programme in Tourism Operations, Adventure Leadership, Manaaki Tāpoi or Uniformed Services may be offered the opportunity to enrol in a second programme offering internships in the Services Industries sector. This programme will include work experience placements, mentoring and on-going training in local businesses that support our region's tourism sector.

Driver License Training - TOTSTA is exploring the option of offering driver license training to assist Trades Academy students in obtaining their Learner Driver's License. We know that being able to drive is a crucial skill that almost all industries require. We also know that the process of obtaining a license can be complex and expensive. Our aim is to trial an initial small programme to assist young students with the first step of the process. The structure of the programme is still to be determined, so if you're enrolled in Trades next year, keep an eye out for more information.

