



DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER**

TERM 1 : No 4 –24 February 2010

Kia ora, Buenos dias, Bula vinaka, Namaste, Kia orana, Konnichiwa, Guten tag, Ni hao, Privyet, Greetings to parents, caregivers and friends of Devon Intermediate.

GIVE ME FIVE

Thank you to parents and caregivers who have returned their Give Me Five registration form. The class with the most returns by this Friday earns a free mufti day.



ACADMEY LEADERS

Congratulations to Academy Leaders for the first $\frac{1}{2}$ of 2010 : Science/Technology - Chase T, Cloe W; Performing Arts - Jasmine N, Blair C; Academic - Lily D, Matthew H; Sports - Savannah C, Bailey H,



GOURMET GALA

Only 4 weeks to go! Momentum is building. We are very grateful to the enthusiastic team of parents who met on Monday evening to continue with planning. Thank you to those of you who have already offered support.

In conjunction with the gala, we are holding a cake decorating competition for all students. The cakes will be auctioned at the gala at 1pm. Further details will be published next week.



ATTITUDE FOR EXCELLENCE

Congratulations Jayden M, Rm14 awarded Attitude for Excellence Award at Monday's Assembly.

N Z JUNIOR SWIMMING NATIONALS

Three of our students have qualified to compete in the 2010 New Zealand Junior Swimming Nationals. They are:
Olivia E, Rachael M and Caitlan O, well done girls.

STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCES

Due to the NZEI Union meeting, Student Learning Conferences have been re-scheduled to the following week - Tuesday 16 March 3.30-5.30pm; 6.30-8.00pm and Thursday 18 March 1.30-5.30pm.

More information will be sent out early in March.

NEWSLETTER RETURN

We had a fantastic response to our first week of Newsletter return slips. Congratulations to Elijah-Blue S, Room 15, who was the lucky recipient of this week's \$5 canteen voucher. All slips returned to the box in the student foyer on Thursday go in the draw.

SCHOOL GATE

In the interests of student safety the barrier across the driveway will be closed from 8:15 - 9am, Monday- Friday.

CHAMPIONSHIP SWIMMING SPORTS

Due to the need to give students selected to represent Devon at the Taranaki Swimming Championships reasonable notice, the date for the school swimming Championship is now Tuesday 2 March beginning at 1.30pm (backup date Wednesday 3 March). We warmly invite parents/caregivers to attend this event.

DEVON TIGERS CRICKET

Congratulations to Matthew H on his hat trick last Saturday. Matthew had the bowling figures of 4 wickets for 1 run off 2 overs. Well done Matthew. This feat helped set up a good win against SHGC

INTERMEDIATE SURF CHAMPIONSHIPS

The surfing competition was held at Fitzroy last Friday in beautiful conditions. Over 40 competitors participated from schools across Taranaki. The boy's competition was won by Isaac K Rm 15. Congratulations Isaac. We are indebted to the NP Boardriders Club for their ongoing support in running this event for us.

HELP OUR SCHOOL RAISE FUNDS

SuperLife KiwiSaver, New Zealand's specialist KiwiSaver provider, is donating **\$10 to our school for every student who joins SuperLife KiwiSaver by 28 February 2010.**

In addition to the donation to the school, your child will get into the draw for an iPod touch and get the \$1,000 kick-start which the Government gives anyone who joins KiwiSaver for the first time.

The form must have your child's IRD number. IRD can give it to you over the phone. If your child does not have an IRD number yet, ask for an IRD application form from the school's office.

Don't delay, you only have until the Friday this week to return the form so that we can be eligible for the \$10 donation per returned form. Enquiries: Julie Rodgers - 021 2282 500 or 0800 278737

ROTARY READING ASSISTANCE IN SCHOOLS.

A PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY N.P. PUKEKURA BREAKFAST ROTARY CLUB.

I am seeking volunteer tutors to spend one hour each week listening to children read. The sessions will take place on Thursdays mornings - 9.30-10.30 or 11.00-12.00 - and will involve each tutor listening to three children read for 20 minutes each.

Training will be given and volunteers will **NOT** be teaching children to read. The programme will begin in Term 2 and is being offered to Devon Intermediate, Omata, St Josephs, Westown, Vogeltown and Woodleigh Schools. Relievers will be available if you cannot make it each week.

Many retired folk are involved in East N.P. and I would like to hear from any interested people - men or women - as soon as possible.

Liz Shaw (06) 7575631 or liznbob@xtra.co.nz

YEAR 8 IMMUNISATION FORMS

THE Year 8 Girls Immunisation Forms need to be returned to school by Friday please.

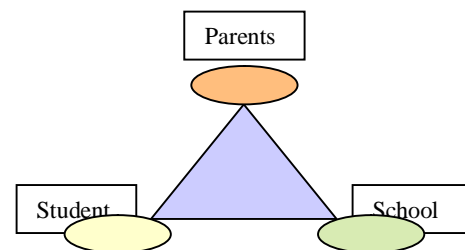
SCHOOL PHOTOS

All students will have received an envelope and information in preparation for Thursday 4 March school photos.

Please ensure the envelope with the correct money is returned to school by next Wednesday 3 March. There will be no late orders.

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

2 Mar	Championship Swimming Sports
4 Mar	School Photos
8 Mar	Taranaki Anniversary Day - No School
9 Mar	Taranaki Intermediate Swimming Championships in Hawera - 10.00am start
11 Mar	NZEI Paid Union Meeting
15 Mar	Parent Link Meeting 7pm
16-18 Mar	Student Learning Conferences
21 Mar	Gourmet Gala 11am - 3pm
23 Mar	Intermediate Schools Summer Sports Day
26 Mar	Mufti Day
31 Mar	Weetbix Triathlon
1 Apr	LAST DAY OF TERM



Together we can make a difference

Fiona Parkinson

Principal

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TERM 1. WEEK 3 NEWSLETTER

I have read this newsletter.

Name: _____

Signed: _____

Child's name: _____

Room no. _____