



## **DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL** **NEWSLETTER**

**TERM 1 : No 6 – 10 March 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.

### **Setting SAIL towards an Attitude for Excellence**

Our focus this term is on

### **SUCCESS**

*Celebrate it!*

*Successful students at Devon:*

- Enjoy activities
- Know what they have achieved and where to go next
- Set SMART goals

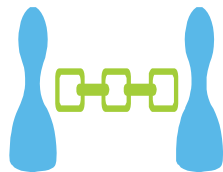
### **STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCES**

These are being held Tuesday 16 March 3.30-5.30pm and 6.30-8pm; Thursday 18 March 1.30-5.30pm. Please return your appointment slip to your child's teacher. We consider these to be a key component of our home/school partnership and expect all parents to attend with their child.

**NB School will close at 1pm on Thursday 18 March.** Please contact the office if you have any further queries.

### **PARENT LINK**

Our next Parent Link meeting is next Monday 15 March at 7pm in the staffroom. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend



### **NEWSLETTER RETURN**

Congratulations to Stephanie M Rm 12, 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.

### **'WORLD FAMOUS IN NP' GOURMET GALA - MUFTI DAY**

Devon's renowned *Gourmet Gala* is just two weeks away and at the moment there is a quiet frenzy of activity building at school in preparation for this community event.



The organisers have a number of specific requests. If you are able to help, individually or as a group please get in contact with us at school.

- Tomorrow we are holding a **GALA MUFTI DAY** at Devon!!! We hope students will enjoy the opportunity to wear mufti to school; clothing that is tidy, smart and casual. Rather than a \$2 donation we ask that every student brings goods to support the **GALA DAY**.
- Seeking White Elephant goods - anything surplus to your requirements that can be sold at the gala; household goods, clothing and footwear, sports goods, whiteware, electronic goods, tools, cutlery, crockery, gold, silver and emeralds
- Books for the book stall, including magazines, comics, paperbacks - in good order
- Craft stalls run on a commission basis ; contact the school for terms
- In Week 7 we will be asking every family to donate home baking on the paper plate supplied by the Gala organisers. Thank-you, in anticipation for assisting with this.
- Firewood wanted; a trailer load of clean firewood to raffle. If you can help source this it would be appreciated.
- Donations welcomed for quick-fire raffles - please drop these off at the office.
- Cake decorating competition - students can choose to make and decorate a Taranaki theme cake to be auctioned at the Gala. More details later.

We thank all families for their contributions and support for the *Gourmet Gala*

**INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS**

Results coming in next week's newsletter.



**BASKETBALL**

Registrations are due no later than next Wednesday for those students intending to play basketball for the school this winter. NP Junior Association entries close soon. If you need further information or a registration form, see Mr Thompson.

**NEW PLYMOUTH U13 BOYS BASKETBALL REPS.**

Boys interested in making themselves available for selection are invited to attend a muster at NPBHS Gym, 2-4pm, Saturday 13 March. Birth date must be 1998 or later. You must NOT turn 13 years old in 2010. Information from Linda Giddy 759 1090

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Sinead M won 3 gold and 2 silver medals at the Taranaki Athletic Championships over the last couple of weekends. Well done Sinead!



**MEETING FOR PROSPECTIVE PASIFIKA TRUSTEES**

The Ministry of Education is organizing a series of fono for members of the Pacific Island community who are considering becoming board of trustee members.

The planned venue for New Plymouth is:- Spotswood College, South Road, 22 March at 7.00-9.00pm

**UNIFORM**

Footwear reminder: our school uniform for the summer terms states 'black flat sandals with strap around the heel' - please ensure that your child comes to school in the required footwear.

**TARANAKI ANGLICAN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

Autumn holiday fun - for students to Year 8. A special programme of:

Games,Crafts,Singing,Food,Fun and Friendship, Puzzles and more.

Tuesday 6 April to Friday 9 April, 9.00am to 3.00pm  
12 Omata Road, West New Plymouth, \$5 per week per family. To register contact Maureen Hook 753 4306 or 027 237 2069 or

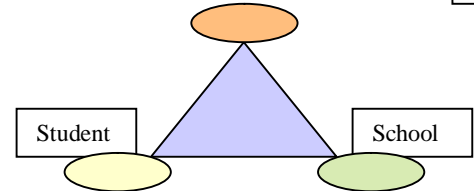
[scyministries@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:scyministries@yahoo.co.nz)

**IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

- 11 Mar Mufti Day
- 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
- 31 Mar Weetbix Triathlon
- 1 Apr LAST DAY OF TERM



Parents



**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. \_\_\_\_\_