



DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL **Te Kura Takuwaenga o Ngamōtu** **NEWSLETTER**

TERM 1 : No 1 –4 February 2015
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Kia ora, Buenos días, Bula vinaka, Namaste, Kia orana, Konnichiwa, Guten tag, Ni hao, Privyet, Greetings to parents, caregivers and friends of Devon Intermediate. Ngā mihi o te tau hou. Nau mai haere mai. Happy New Year and welcome to the 2015 school year to all students, parents, caregivers and friends of Devon Intermediate School. I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year and have had some time to relax and enjoy time with your families. A special welcome to our Year 7 students, new Year 8s and their families. We hope that your association with our school will be rewarding and enjoyable.

STAFFING - SCHOOL ORGANISATION

It is a pleasure to welcome Mrs Tracey More and Ms Jo Wilkinson to the Devon team.

A very special welcome to Miss Ai Horinouchi from Nihon University, Japan. Ai will be with us from next week until the end of this term. We have a strong relationship with Nihon University and are fortunate to be able to provide this exciting opportunity for our students to learn first hand about another culture.

Senior Leadership

Principal	Fiona Parkinson
Associate Principal	Conrad Hailes
Associate Principal	Jason Avery

Discovery

Rm4	Brook Murfitt CA
Rm5	Alana Glentworth A (TL)
Rm6	Geri Forde ST

Endeavour

Rm 9	Rachel Taylor ST(TL)
Rm 10	Sacha Buckley CA
Rm 11	Conrad Hales S/Jason Avery

Adventure

Rm13	Carmen Matangi S
Rm15	Dian Brooks ST
Rm16	Glen Phillips CA(TL)

S – Sport Academy; A – Academic Academy; ST – Science and Technology Academy; CA – Creative Arts Academy; TL-Team Leader

Technology/Arts

Ailsa Allan	Food Technology	(TL)
John Cooksley	Metal/Electronics	
Chris Pollard	Wood/Plastics	

Learning Support

Rm22	Tracey More
Special Needs Co-ordinator	
Back Office	Angela Pearson – RTL
Part-time Teachers	Jo Wilkinson

Administration

Executive Officer	Carol Carroll
School Secretary	Cathie Askew

Librarian	Nicky Howarth
Teacher Aides	
Louise Manton	Donna Mann
Rebecca Zeylemaker	Julie Wesley
Mandy Bailey	Chris Avery
Property & Cleaning	
Caretaker/Property	Ole Bucka-Christensen
Assistant Caretaker	Mike Heslop
Cleaner	Val Trigger
Cleaners	ISS Facilities

2015 HEAD STUDENTS

Congratulations to Emily L and Jason M who have been recognised by staff and their fellow students as being excellent role models and leaders. We are all looking forward to working with them during the first half of 2015.



MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

All parents and caregivers are warmly invited to our Meet the Teacher evening in our hall on **Thursday 12 February at 7pm.**



The evening will begin with some brief introductions in the hall and then parents will move to their child's classroom where their teacher will outline some of their expectations and give an overview of the year. Following this there will be an opportunity for you to visit the Technology/Arts rooms. The evening will conclude by 8.15pm.

SCHOOL FEES 2015

All Tech	\$75 (only \$60 if paid before 31 March)
Diary	\$ 9
Life Education	\$ 3
School Donation	\$60 (\$90 for family)



Payments to be made to the school office (cash cheque or EFTPOS). It would be helpful if you could have correct change when paying at the office. Alternatively payments can be made by Direct Credit to Bank Account No. 153949027662180 or by Automatic Payment. Please ensure that your payment description includes **students name and what payment is for.**

SCHOOL DIARIES

All students have been issued with a Devon Intermediate Home and School Diary. The cost is \$9 which is payable to the school office. This diary is an important communication tool between home and school and we encourage parents/caregivers to write notes in it. It is also a key organisational tool in which students will record their homework and other reminders.

UNIFORM

A reminder that you should ensure that all school uniform items are clearly marked with the student's name. We suggest that the sun hats are marked using a Twink pen.

Black Roman sandals are our compulsory summer sandal. Please support us and your child by ensuring he/she is in the correct footwear.

SUNSMART/SCHOOL HATS

This wonderful summer weather brings with it real risk of skin damage, particularly between 11am and 4pm when the ultraviolet radiation is most fierce.

All Devon students are required to wear our school bucket hat, available from the office for \$10 each. Sunscreen has been purchased for each classroom and we recommend that students also apply it before coming to school in the morning.



NEWSLETTERS

These will come home every WEDNESDAY. Please look out for these as they contain a lot of valuable information about school events and other notices. Copies of the latest newsletter are available from the school office and there is also a file of the year's newsletter in our front foyer. It is also available on our website www.devonint.school.nz

HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Clear communication between home and school is vital to enable us to do the very best we can for your children. I encourage you to make early contact with your child's teacher and to attend our "Meet the Teacher" evening if at all possible. If you wish to see the teacher, please ring them at school or call in to make an appointment. Jason Avery and I are also available to meet with you should the need arise.

FIZZY AND ENERGY DRINKS, LOLLIES AND GUM

Sugary drinks, lollies and chewing gum are not appropriate for school. Students with any of these items will have them confiscated.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our school website is a valuable communication method. As well as the school newsletter, it also contains other important information about school and class events and activities. Class teachers will be regularly updating their class pages.

We consider our website to be an important component of home and school communication and encourage you to visit it regularly.

CANTEEN

The Canteen is not currently operating but we are negotiating with a local café to provide lunches. Details later this week.

DEVON TWILIGHT GALA

On Thursday 26 March we will be holding our famous twilight Gala. Details will follow in future newsletters.

In the meantime we **NEED** your help. Do you have contacts out there that would be able to assist us? This could be businesses you are involved with personally, places you frequent ie: hairdressers, chemists, hardware shops, etc that may be able to provide vouchers/products for quick fire raffles, spot prizes or lucky buckets.

Do you know anyone that has ponies for pony rides? Hot rods/Americana cars for rides around the field? People/groups that may be able to supply ethnic/Pacifika food?

Anything and everything you can think of to make this gala spectacular is appreciated.

All monies raised from the gala will be spent on the upgrade of our Adventure playground.

PARENT LINK

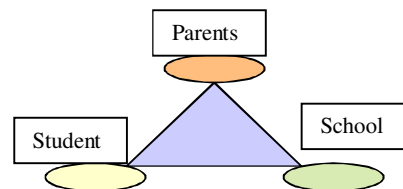
Our Parent Link group has a key role within our school. Over the past few years they have done a fantastic job with fundraising and provide a valuable link between home and school. 2015 promises to be another exciting year for this group. Meetings are short and sharp, concluding by 8pm.



The first meeting of the year will be held on Monday 16 February at 7pm in the staffroom. Come along and join us for coffee and cake.

SWIMMING PROGRAMME

Swimming is a compulsory component of the Physical Education curriculum and the focus of our Term 1 programme. It is important that students are prepared for swimming each day by having the appropriate swimwear. They need to bring named togs and towel. Goggles and/or rash shirts are optional. For safety reasons, students will not be permitted to enter the pool in shorts, tee shirts or other clothing.



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J.S. Parkinson

Fiona Parkinson
Principal

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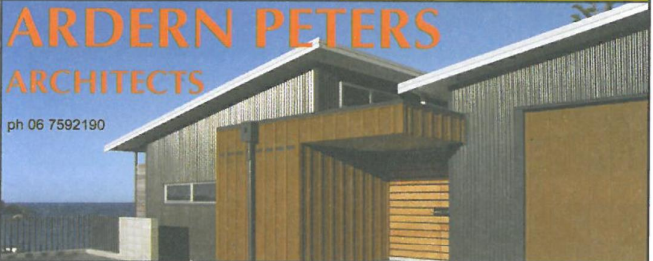


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