DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 1: 16 March 2016 **Text 021 08299 278 or Ph 758 5266 for Absences**

Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngamōtu

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

PARENT LINK

Our next Parent Link meeting will be held in the staffroom on Monday 21 March at 7pm. All welcome. Topics to be covered are: Understanding Assessments and the difference between Academies and Houses.

SUBWAY ORDERS

Subway Metro is offering the students of our school the opportunity to participate in a healthy option for school lunches. Each Wednesday Subway will be delivered for those students wishing to order. Subway order forms are available from student reception and must be returned with payment by Tuesday mornings please.

PIZZA DAY

Starting from Thursday 24 March, each fortnight, we will be holding a Pizza day. Students will be able to order slices of Domino's pizza, for just $2 per slice. Orders can be placed right up until the Thursday morning at the student reception area by completing an order form and handing in with appropriate cash please.

2016 FOREST LAKES CAMP

One of the highlights for our students and staff has always been our bi-annual camp at Forest Lakes, Otaki. An exciting week of outdoor activities and trips into Wellington for city based adventures is planned for Term 3. The full cost for transport, accommodation, meals and activities is approximately $350. We encourage you to start an automatic payment as soon as possible to go towards camp. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and we strongly encourage them all to participate. Below are the school bank details which you can pay into along with a reference of a student's name or alternatively you can collect an Automatic Payment form from the school office. Devon Intermediate School, TSB Bank, 15-3949-0276621-80.

UKULELE AT DEVON 2016

Tony Hansen is teaching ukulele on Friday mornings 8.15am from March 18th. Ukulele is fun, affordable and easy to learn. Playing chords, strumming and singing at the same time is great for brain development. Devon has ukuleles available and its $8/class. Contact Tony on ph. 022 1840 720 OR taranakitonyhansen@gmail.com to book your child in and arrange payment details.

'AQUATECH' MANA REWARD DAY

Our next MANA Reward Day is coming up on Thursday 14 April! Technology, Movies or the Aquatic Centre, it is going to be a fantastic day! To be eligible for students to take part in this fun-filled event, they must have met MANA expectations 21/26 days.

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Come and join us for a fun and social Quiz Night to support Devon Intermediate's quest to raise funds to get our new Adventure Playground constructed. Friday 13th May (Black Friday), 7pm at The New Plymouth Club. Teams of up to six people or come on your own and be placed in a team! Just $10 p.p. Prizes up for grabs, meat raffles, and why not dress up just to make for a more fun evening ☺ For more information, please email Marissa: mhoyes@devonint.school.nz

FRIDAY FUNDRAISER

FOR SALE AT LUNCH TIME EATING FROM THE FOOD TECH ROOM

Friday 18 March

Ice Blocks $1.00 Ice Creams $2.00

EASTER TUESDAY

This year Easter Tuesday is a recognised school holiday by the Ministry of Education. Please be sure to make alternative arrangements for your child on this day, thank you.

ICAS ENTRIES 2016

Should you wish your child to participate in these tests, forms are now available from their teachers. Students will gain points toward their Academic merit for taking part in these tests. Completed forms along with payment are due at the school office by Friday 25th March.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE OUT OF HOURS MUSIC TUITION 2016

Students are invited to join the music tuition programme at Devon Intermediate for 2016. Lessons last for 30 minutes and are held once a week out of class time, using proficient tutors who come into the school for this purpose.
At this stage (depending on numbers), available classes will be:

Keyboard – Tuesday or Wednesday, 7.45am to 8.45am
Flute – Tuesday, 3.15pm to 3.45pm
Guitar – Wednesday or Thursday, 3.15 to 3.45pm
Drums – Wednesday 7 to 9am, exact times to be advised
Violin – Tuesday, 3.15 to 4.15pm

The cost to each student is $10 per year (lesson cost only). Keyboard students will need to purchase an individual tuition book as determined by heir tutor. The cost of this is approximately $25 - $30.
If your child is interested in learning an instrument, an enrolment form will need to be completed and returned to the school with payment as soon as possible in order to avoid disappointment. Enrolment forms can be collected from the school office.

DILIGENCE - INTEGRITY - SERVICE - RESPECT

This week's MANA focus is:
Make the right choice

- Think for yourself
- Take responsibility for your own choices and actions – make it right: apologise, complete your reflection
- Your learning – completing homework and classroom tasks on time

SCHOOL DRIVEWAY

We ask that students are dropped off and collected from Devon Street West or St Aubyn Street please. The school driveway is for use by staff only and is a very busy area with students making their way in and out of school, the last thing we want is for an accident to occur. Thank you for your support in this matter.

STUDENT ILLNESS

We have noticed that some children continue coming to school even though they are unwell. We ask that parents keep sick children at home until they are completely well to prevent the spread of contagious nasties! Thank you for your support.

Together we can make a difference

Jason Avery
Acting Principal

DATES TO NOTE

Monday 21 March	**Parent Link Meeting, 7pm**
Monday 21 March	**BOT Meeting, 5.30pm**
Friday 25 March	**Good Friday**
Monday 28 March	**Easter Monday**
Tuesday 29 March	**Easter Tuesday**
Wednesday 30 March	**Weetbix Tryathlon**
Friday 1 April	**Intermediate Duathlon at Waitara**
Tuesday 5 April	**Intermediate Summer Sports Day**
Friday 15 April	**Last day of Term One**
Friday 13 May	**Quiz Night Fundraiser**