

# DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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### 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

#### SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSTRUCTION NZEI/PPTA TEACHER AND SUPPORT STAFF PAID UNION MEETING MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2016

Please note that the school will be closed for instruction from 9.00am to 11.00am on Monday 12 September so that staff can attend an NZEI/PPTA meeting at the TSB Stadium.

#### CLASSES START 11.30AM

Normal classes will start for students at 11.30am. The school will be open for students to arrive from 11am.

The Board of Trustees apologises for any inconvenience this causes parents and caregivers but consider it important that staff do have the opportunity to attend this meeting.

Please note that those students from Room 4, 13 and 15 heading off to camp on Monday 12 September, will do so as per normal with students from those classes still needing to be at school by 8am.

### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

#### MANA AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received their Silver MANA badge at Monday's assembly for gaining 100 MANA tickets: Emily Nield, Jackson Magee (11), and Josh Henshilwood-Old (13). Also congratulations to Maree Dove, Sienna Benefield, Olivia Wong-Too, Jacob Smith (6), Davanti Ngaia-Taiapo, Ella Mora (9), Joey Shen, Wini Rangī, Jordan Dove, Brooke Hoskins-Lefevre (10) and Lachlan Shotter (13) who received their Bronze MANA badge for gaining 50 MANA tickets.

#### STANDARDS CROSS COUNTRY

The Standards Cross Country will be held on Friday 2nd September. This event will be run in Houses with Adventure starting at 1:45, Endeavour at 2:05 and Discovery at 2:25. Whanau are most welcome to attend. We are also looking for **Parent Helpers** to be Points People on the course. This will involve **standing at one point on the course from 1:45pm until 2:45pm**, making sure students know where to go and offering encouragement as the runner pass. Please let the School Office know if you are willing to help out.

#### FOREST LAKES CAMP

Full payments are due this Friday 2 September for the Creative Arts classes heading off to camp from 19 – 23 September. If you are unsure of what is owing please call the school office 758 5266.

#### ANDERSONS PIES

Many thanks to all those families that supported us with selling Andersons Pies. This was a great easy fundraiser for the school raising approximately \$1500.00. Congratulations to Austen McDonald who won the 1<sup>st</sup> incentive prize for selling the most dollar value in pies, a whopping \$949 worth. Also congratulations to Sayla Farmer, Harrison Black, Kaylee O'Donnell and Cruze Lawrence who sold around the \$300 mark. We will definitely be doing this fundraiser again next year and would love to see more families get on board with this in the future.

#### SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP CROSS COUNTRY

Due to the wet weather we had to run the event last Friday without spectators. Below are the first three in each section.

	Year 7 Girls	Room	Year 7 Boys	Room	Year 8 Girls	Room	Year 8 Boys	Room
1st	Harmony Te Waaka	15	Justin Goundar	15	Pare'z Hanscombe-Stokes	15	Ryan Flynn	13
2nd	Stephanie Watson	7	Jordan Dove	10	Esther Cocker	7	Shadique Mills	4
3rd	Maree Dove	6	Barnie Astwood	9	Nevaeh Te Huia	13	Oliver Hill	15

The House points are: Discovery 43, Adventure 67 and Endeavour 107. Congratulations to all competitors and the Endeavour as the winning House.

#### 2016 TARANAKI CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

11 year old Girls	Room	11 year old Boys	Room
Harmony Te Waaka	15		
Claudia McKillop	15		
Aisha Campbell	15		
12 year old Girls	Room	12 year old Boys	Room
Nevaeh Te Huia	13	Logan McKinnon	11
		Ryan Flynn	13
		Ethan McCall	9
		Justin Goundar	15
		Jordan Dove	10
13 year old Girls	Room	13 year old Boys	Room
Pare'z Hanscombe-Stokes	15	Shadique Mills	4
Imogen Eru-Solomon	13	Oliver Hill	15

The students above were selected, from our School Championships last Friday, to represent Devon in the Taranaki Cross Country Championships in Hawera on Wednesday 21st September.

#### ROAD/BIKE SAFETY

Devon Street is a busy State Highway. It is especially dangerous in wet weather and during both mornings and afternoons when the commuter traffic is heaviest. These times coincide with the times students are making their way to or from school.

There are some students not currently using the Devon Intermediate school pedestrian crossing who have been observed crossing Devon Street in a dangerous and reckless manner. This is an extremely hazardous practise. Motorists often have very limited visibility of the roads and do not expect to encounter pedestrians/cyclists either on the traffic lanes or emerging suddenly from between parked cars. Motorists cannot be expected to cope with students darting onto the road or cycling down the middle of the road on the white line. We are extremely concerned for student's safety. We would appreciate it if all parents/caregivers could speak to their child about road safety and re-inforce the importance of using the pedestrian crossing on Devon Street.

*Together we can make a difference*

Jason Avery  
Acting Principal

#### DATES TO NOTE

Thursday 1 September	Parent Information evening, 6.30pm
Friday 2 September	Standards Cross Country
Monday 5 – 9 September	AIMS Games
Monday 5 – 9 September	Forest Lakes Camp – Rooms 9, 10 & 11
Monday 12 – 16 September	Forest Lakes Camp – Rooms 4, 13 & 15
Tuesday 13 September	Year 8 Immunisations
Monday 19 – 23 September	Forest Lakes Camp – Rooms 5, 6 & 7
Wednesday 21 September	Taranaki Cross Country @ Hawera
Friday 23 September	Last day of Term 3