

DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

WEEK 1 – 14 OCTOBER 2015

Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

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

Our thoughts are with the Hawera Intermediate community following yesterday's devastating fire. We know through our own experience how significant the impact such an event has on a school community. Although it is too early for the school to identify what practical support they need, we will be holding a mufti day tomorrow (Thursday 15 October) to raise funds for them. All money raised will be used either for library books or stationery packs for the students.

We ask that each student brings the minimum of a gold coin donation in return for wearing mufti.

HAVE YOUR SAY! EVENING – THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER 6 – 7.30PM DEVON INTERMEDIATE HALL

At Devon Intermediate we believe that effective partnerships with our community and a strong link between home and school is a key component of our continued success. These partnerships involve consultation with our community to develop a shared vision and goals to underpin school direction and priorities.

We are due to review our current charter goals and set priorities for the next 5 years and would really value your input. The Board of Trustees are holding a **Have your Say** evening to provide all current and prospective parents and caregivers with the opportunity to have some input into the future direction of Devon Intermediate.

There will be pizza, tea and coffee provided at the conclusion of the formal part of the evening. Children are most welcome. There will be supervision and activities provided for them.

TEACHERS ONLY DAY

This is a reminder of the Teachers Only Day being held on Friday 23 October. Teachers will be attending a one day workshop. We appreciate your support by making alternative arrangements for your children on this day.

CITY TOUCH

The weather was perfect for the first City Touch games of the season held last Monday afternoon. Devon Intermediate is fielding 6 teams this year thanks to the continued commitment and co-ordination of Chris Pollard with the support of a number of parents and friends of the school who have offered to coach and manage teams.

Four of our teams looked resplendent in their new Touch uniforms which have been generously donated by Neale Parkinson and the team of Bayleys Taranaki.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

CLASS MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who each received Class Merit at Monday's assembly. These prestigious awards are given to students who meet strict criteria and who in the opinion of the staff exemplify our school values of Diligence, Integrity, Service and Respect.

- 4 Bonnie Cook & Bella Harvey-Karen
- 5 Savithi Gunasinghe, Sophie Hill & Toby Penno
- 6 Byron Knowles
- 9 Aurelius Openshaw-Klenner
- 10 Teal Rogers
- 11 Eva Schuetze
- 13 Norman Mangu
- 15 Jai Gleave & Stephanie Winstanley
- 16 Alajo-Marie Taha



MANA BADGES

Congratulations to Natalia James (11) who received her Silver MANA badge for gaining 100 MANA tickets, and Malakai Latavao, Kate Bright and Jasminelee Hope who received their Bronze MANA badge for gaining 50 MANA tickets. Well done to all of you. You really do epitomise our school values of Diligence, Integrity, Service and Respect.

MERIT BADGES

Well done to Jade Parsons (15) who received her Sports Merit Badge; yet another student well on her way to achieving her Attitude for Excellence.

TARANAKI UNDER 13 CRICKET

Congratulations to Jason McGrath and Curtis Hoeta who have both made the Taranaki under 13 cricket rep team for the coming season, great work boys!

TARANAKI UNDER 13 HOCKEY

Congratulations to Phoenix Crofskey and Elisha Black who represented Taranaki in the under 13 Taranaki rep girls team over the holidays in Gisborne. Fantastic work girls!

Also to Marshall and Anton Hutton who represented Taranaki in the under 13 Taranaki rep boys Hockey team, well done boys!

TARANAKI UNDER 13 SOCCER

Congratulations to Kobi Hislop from Room 6 who represented Taranaki in the under 13 rep Soccer team over the holidays. Great work Kobi!

DEVON INTERMEDIATE PARENT LINK IS PROUD TO PRESENT THE HILARIOUS COMEDY 'WOT TO WEAR & NOT TO WEAR' STARRING SUZIE JOHNSON FROM OOSH!

The un-PC style night, quirky, funny & raw! This major fundraiser is being held in the **Devon Intermediate Hall** on Wednesday 21st October at 7pm, doors open from 6.30pm. Tickets just \$20 each, with a complimentary glass of wine on entry, and nibbles provided. Tickets are available from the school office. Bring your friends along for what promises to be a fantastic night! All proceeds will go toward our fabulous new Adventure Playground.

MANA REWARD DAY

The next MANA reward day is fast approaching and will be held on Thursday 22nd October to reward those students who have met the MANA expectations. This day will be based at school where students will be showing off their best dance moves at the MANA Dance Party which will be held in the school hall at no cost. For your child to be eligible to attend this MANA reward day they will have to have met the MANA expectations at least 80% of the time (24/30 days). All eligible students are welcome to come to school in mufti on this day at no cost. A notice will be sent out on Friday of week 1 to inform you if your child is eligible for this exciting MANA reward day.

Thank you, Student MANA team

ADVENTRE PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISING

Our fundraising for this worthwhile project has been given a welcome boost by a \$10,000.00 donation from Pelorus Trust. We are awaiting the results of other trust applications.

EAST END SURF LIFESAVING CLUB OPEN DAY

Sunday 18th October, 10am to 1pm. Come and see what Surf Lifesaving is all about.

Together we can make a difference

J.S. Parkinson

Fiona Parkinson
Principal

DILIGENCE - INTEGRITY - SERVICE - RESPECT

This week's MANA focus is:

Display a positive attitude at all times

- Follow instructions immediately
- Have all stationery ready to use
- Right time, right place, right gear
- Use polite language – think before you speak

DATES TO NOTE

22 October	MANA Reward Day
23 October	Teacher Only Day
26 October	Labour Day
13 November	Championship Athletics