

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

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

ATTITUDE FOR EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Riley Peters (10) and Ishbel Black (15) who received their overall Attitude for Excellence at Monday's assembly. Both students have worked very hard over the last 7 terms to attain this award.

Congratulations to Skye Collier (5) and Mariah Hunter (15) who received their Academic Merit, Alexis Hintz (5) and Bridgette Wilson (6) who received their Arts Merit, Kyle Campbell-Mansfield(10) who received his Service Merit and Sienna Benefield (6) who received her Service and Arts Merits. Great to see so many of our students striving towards their Attitude for Excellence award.

MANA BADGES

Congratulations to Leah Reddick-Thompson, Kasey Mackey (5), Charlotte Drent, Iti Nganga, Hysan Shi(7), Reuben Hansen (9), Kaino Hardgrave and Jayden Leece (10) who received their Bronze MANA badge at Monday's assembly for gaining 50 MANA tickets. Also congratulations to Kyle Campbell-Mansfield (10), Emily Hopkins-McGregor, Jesse Potroz, Cullin Franklin (11) and JC Smit (13) who received their Silver MANA Badge for gaining 100 MANA tickets. And finally congratulations to Alexis Hintz (5), Troy Ross (11) and Oliver Hill (15) who received their Gold MANA badge for gaining 150 MANA tickets. Well done to all of you!

2017 HEAD STUDENT APPLICATIONS

Those students interested in becoming a Head Student for 2017, please collect an application form from the school office. These are due in by Friday 4th November.

SCHOOL FEES

As we are nearing the end of the school year, it is time to ensure that Technology, Life Education, Diary and any outstanding fees are paid in full. If you have an automatic payment set up, please check that the payments will cover the outstanding amount owed by the end of term. Without parent support in meeting the cost of materials for our technology programmes they cannot be sustained. If you are unsure how much is owing on your account, please phone Marissa in the office 758 5266.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

We are always looking for donations of clean, tidy second hand uniforms. We would be grateful for any donation of uniform from Year 8 students who will not need them for next year. This includes shorts, skirts, culottes, jerseys, jackets, PE gear, socks and shoes! All donations can be handed in to the school office between 8am and 3.30pm each day. Thank you in anticipation.

CELLPHONE POLICY

Just a reminder students are required to hand their cell phones into the school office at the beginning of each day if they bring them to school. If a student is seen with a cell phone during school time it will be confiscated and the student will receive a reflection. Parents will be required to retrieve the cell phone from the school office in the instance of a confiscation.



CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETICS – FIELD EVENTS – Friday 4 November, 1pm – 3pm

1pm Y8 Boy's Shot, Y8 Girl's High Jump, Y7 Boy's Long Jump, Y7 Girl's Discus
1.30pm Y8 Boy's High Jump, Y8 Girl's Shot, Y7 Boy's Discus, Y7 Girl's Long Jump
2pm Y8 Boy's Discus, Y8 Girl's Long Jump, Y7 Boy's High Jump, Y7 Girl's Shot
2.30pm Y8 Boy's Long Jump, Y8 Girl's Discus, Y7 Boy's Shot, Y7 Girl's High Jump



CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETICS – SPRINTS - Friday 11 November, 1.30pm – 2.45pm

200m, 100m, Interclass Relays Girls and Boys, Inter-house Relays, Class fun flag relay, Staff vs Pupils Relay. All whanau are welcome to come along and support the Devon students in what promises to be a fun-filled afternoon of athletics.



NPGHS SPECIAL ORIENTATION – Thursday 17 November – 11.30am – 12.30pm

This year NPGHS are hosting Special Orientation visits where Year 8 girls and their parents can have a look around the school in a small group setting. If students would like to attend this visit this will be held on Thursday 17th November, 11.30am – 12.30pm. Students and parents must report to the main school office, Mangorei Road. The visits will start and finish at the main office. Students must make their own way to NPGHS for this orientation.

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE ORIENTATION – Friday 25 November – 8.45am - 3pm

The Orientation Day for those Devon students heading off to Spotswood College next year will be held on Friday 25 November. All students are required to be in full Devon uniform, and will be travelling by bus at 8.45am to Spotswood College and returning at the end of the day.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE ORIENTATION DAY – Thursday 1 December – 11am – 2pm

The Orientation Day for Year 6 students coming into Devon Intermediate next year will be held on Thursday 1 December, between 11am and 2pm. All whanau are most welcome to attend.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE 2016 YEAR 8 GRADUATION BALL – Thursday 8 December – 7pm – 9pm

Devon Intermediate is holding our Graduation Ball in the school hall on Thursday 8 December from 7pm. The event will be a formal evening, with a variety of structured and social dances, finger food and drink being served by waiters and will be concluded by the presentation of Graduation Certificates. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

STUDENT ILLNESS

Since the beginning of the term, we have been hit hard by a tummy bug along with the normal coughs and colds. We have noticed that some children continue coming to school even though they are quite unwell. We ask that parents keep sick children at home until they are completely well to prevent the spread of these contagious nasties! If you should require any assistance with student illnesses from the public health system, please talk to your child's teacher who can make a referral to our Public Health Nurse, Carol Duynhoven. Thank you for your support.



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PRINCIPAL

DATES TO NOTE

Friday 4 November	Championship Field Events, 1pm – 3pm
Friday 11 November	Championship Athletic Events, 1.30pm – 3pm
Monday 14 November	BOT Meeting, 5.30pm
Thursday 17 November	NPGHS Special Orientation, 11.30am – 12.30pm
Tuesday 22 November	Intermediate Athletics @ Hawera
Friday 25 November	Spotswood College Orientation, 8.45am – 3pm
Thursday 1 December	Orientation Day @ Devon, 11am – 2pm
Monday 5 December	BOT Meeting, 5.30pm
Thursday 8 December	Year 8 Graduation Ball, 7pm – 9pm
Friday 9 December	Thank You Morning Tea
Tuesday 13 December	MANA Big Day Out
Wednesday 14 December	Prize-giving, 10am with students finishing for the year at 12pm