DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 6 - 18 NOVEMBER 2015

Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

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 ACHIEVEMENTS

MANA BADGES

Congratulations to Samir Hughes-Youbi (10) who received his Bronze MANA badge for gaining 50 MANA tickets, and Chloe Walker (4), Kobi Hislop (6) and Ania Holden (11) who received their Gold MANA badge for gaining 150 MANA tickets. You really do epitomise our school values of Diligence, Integrity, Service and Respect.

MERIT BADGES

Well done to Maraea Brooks (10) who received her Arts Merit badge at Mondays' assembly.

ATTITUDE FOR EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Congratulations to Nadia McKibbin (4) and Jade Parsons (15) who both received their Attitude for Excellence awards on Monday. It is always pleasing to see Year 8 students continuing to strive for their Attitude for Excellence at this stage of the year. Well done to both of you for your ongoing commitment to our school values.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

We are always looking for donations of clean, tidy second hand uniforms. We would be grateful for any donations of uniform from Year 8 students who will not need them for next year. Thank you in anticipation.

PARENT LINK LUXURY CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Our Parent Link team is organizing a luxury Christmas Raffle this term and are looking for your support. Any donations of Christmas goods and luxury items would be gratefully accepted. Donations for the raffle can be taken to Mr Hailes before school or delivered to the school office. Each item will earn students a ticket to go into a prize draw.



PAST STUDENT SUCCESSES

OLIVIA EATON

Olivia was Head Girl at Devon Intermediate in 2009. In 2015 she was appointed Deputy Head Girl at New Plymouth Girl's High School and the end of the year received a NPGHS Honours Award.

First in the NZ Surf Lifesaving Open Women's Beach Relay and the Open Women's Sprints.

MONIQUE OLIVER

Monique attended Devon Intermediate in 2009/2010 and in 2011 went on to New Plymouth Girl's High School.

Monique was one of 48 secondary school students from around the world chosen to attend a space programme at NASA in Texas. This week she received a \$10,000 Study Scholarship and will take up university study in engineering and astrophysics next year.



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Great news! We've joined Warehouse Stationery's Support your School programme, which means our school will earn cashback on the purchases we all make at Warehouse Stationery. To help out, simply nominate our school by name at the checkout each time you shop at Warehouse Stationery. The more people who support us, the more cashback our school can potentially earn so please spread the word. You can find out more at www.supportyourschool.co.nz or ask at your local Warehouse Stationery store.

LEMONS REQUIRED

Mrs Allan is in need of lemons if anyone has any going spare. Please drop them into Food tech before class. Thank you in anticipation.

DEVON ATHLETICS TEAM 2015

Congratulations to the following students who have made it into the Devon Athletics Team which will be heading to Hawera on Tuesday 24 November:

Year 7 Girls: Pheobe Rangitonga & Pare'z Hanscombe-Stokes (5), Lucy Rowlands (6), Maraea Brooks (10), Daysharne Ross & Nevaeh Te Huia (11), Joanna Quirante (13), Amber Williams (15), Rachel Clarkes and Amber Winch (16)

Year 7 Boys: Gordon Kava & Tyrone Whitehead (5), Curtis Hoeta (9), Cruze Lawrence (10), Peter Anderson, Zak McDonald & Tane Waitere (11), Brodie Sculpher-Perry (13) and Eliz Newton

Year 8 Girls: Sophie Hill (5), Kadeejah Preston (10), Mishyla Hooper, Courtney Edwards, Nateisha Hana-Wetere & Ashley Taula (11), Carlida Te Awhe & Phoenix Crofskey (13) and Madison Nuku (16)

Year 8 Boys: Kino Haitana & Jason McGrath (5), Kobi Hislop & Ben Manktelow (6), Brandon Austin (9), Jone Rove, Kurtis Signal & Lachlan McCabe (11), Mathyus Patangata and Daytona Thompson (13)

UNIFORM

Although the school year is rapidly coming to an end, we still require all students to be wearing full, correct Devon uniform each day. An increasing number of students are requesting uniform passes for non-regulation shoes. The only uniform passes that will be issued in future will be for medical reasons, on production of a medical certificate. Other students who are not wearing the correct footwear will be required to remove these at the beginning of the day. These shoes will be returned at the end of the day. We would really appreciate parent/caregiver support with maintaining our uniform standards.

DILIGENCE - INTEGRITY - SERVICE - RESPECT

This week's MANA focus is: Sensible Transitions

- In Class
- To Tech
- At Bell Times
- Around the School

WHANAU HUI POSTPONED – Now being held Thursday 26 November, 5.30pm

Kia or ate whanau o Te Kura Takuwaenga o Ngamotu. Nga mihi ki a koutou. Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to postpone the Whanau Hui that was due to take place this Thursday 19 November; this will now be held on Thursday 26 November at 5.30pm in the staffroom. As always we would dearly love your input. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. All welcome.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE ORIENTATION DAY – Thursday 3 December, 11am – 2pm

The Orientation Day for Year 6 students coming into Devon Intermediate next year will be held on Thursday 3 December, between 11am and 2pm. All whanau are most welcome to attend. There will be a limited amount of second hand uniform available for purchase over the lunchtime period.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE 2015 YEAR 8 GRADUATION BALL - Thursday 10 December, 6.30pm - 8.45pm

Devon Intermediate is holding our Graduation Ball in the school hall on Thursday 10 December from 6.30pm. The event will be a formal evening, with a variety of structured and social dances, finger food and drink being served by waiters, a photo booth, and will be concluded by the presentation of Graduation Certificates.

RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

"Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer" is a fun Christmas Play with lots of modern songs, dance and humorous characters.

11, 12 & 13 December at 6:30pm. Citywest Church, 62c Poplar Grove, Whalers Gate, New Plymouth. Gold coin donation. Food and drink available for purchase. Play will be finished by 8pm.

Together we can make a difference

J.S. Parkuson

Fiona Parkinson Principal

DATES TO NOTE

| 26 November | Whanau Hui, 5.30pm |
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| 27 November | Taranaki Tough Kid |
| | Challenge |
| 2 December | Arts Showcase, 5.30pm – |
| | 7pm |
| 3 December | Orientation Day, 11am – |
| | 2pm |
| 10 December | Graduation Ball, 6.30pm – |
| | 8.45pm |
| 18 December | Prizegiving 10am – 12nm |

Last day of term

18 December