

Room 15 Year 7  
Endeavour  
2019  
Miss Stanford

MANA  
Diligence  
Integrity  
Service  
Respect



Welcome to Room 15.

I trust you all had a wonderful holiday break and are ready and rearing to begin your Devon journey.

This is my second year teaching at Devon Intermediate and I am looking forward to another very successful, rewarding year with your child.

It was great to meet a number of you at the Pathways and Planning Meetings at the beginning of the year. Please feel free to pop into the classroom to see how your child is going at any time.

So far we have established an excellent start in room 15. We have created a class Waka that represents what culture we want our class to have and how we will strive for our best and create a safe, supportive and fun learning environment.

Tech has started this term and so far I am hearing many positive things about what they have been doing when they come back to class!

Kind Regards,  
Brittney Stanford

#### Home / School Communication

*If you wish to discuss your child's progress or have any queries regarding our classroom programme, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will endeavour to reply as soon as possible.*

My email is: [bstanford@devonint.school.nz](mailto:bstanford@devonint.school.nz)

#### Term 1 Events

##### Week 1

Thurs—Powhiri

Fri - House Sports

##### Week 2

Wed—Waitangi Day

Fri - House Sports

##### Week 4

Fri - Swimming Championships

##### Week 5

Wed-Thurs - EPRO 8 Challenge

Fri - Standards Swimming

##### Week 6

Wed—Taranaki Surf Championships

Thurs—MANA Reward Day

Fri - Teacher Only Day

##### Week 7

Mon—Taranaki Anniversary Day

Thurs—Taranaki Swimming Championships

Fri - Summer Sports Options

##### Week 8

Fri—Summer Sports Options

Weetbix Triathlon

##### Week 9

Fri - Summer Sports Options

##### Week 10

Fri - Taranaki Duathlon

Summer Sports Exchange

##### Week 11

Thurs - MANA Reward Day

Fri - Term ends.

**It is our expectation that every member of Room 15 will strive to achieve their personal best. This includes their time both inside and outside the classroom.**

**We all face challenges at times; it is our ability to overcome these challenges that shows our growth, learning and MANA.**

**In Brief: Always do your best. Work as part of a team. Set achievable goals.  
Set high expectations for yourself. Every day is a fresh start.  
Start as you mean to continue. Take every opportunity.**

# Homework

It is an expectation that your child will spend **30 minutes, over three nights**, engaged in learning at home each week. Tasks will be set on Monday Week 3, and they are due in every Friday morning. They are also required to **read for 10-15 minutes each night** to reinforce learning and progress they make in class. The homework has been explained to the class and they know what expectations I have set so that they are producing quality work.

I know this may seem a lot, but once routines have been established these tasks should take no more than 30-40 minutes each night.

If for any reason your **child is unable to complete these tasks please write a note in their Diary** and they can have an extension over the weekend or we can negotiate expectations.

They will have a Homework book to complete these tasks in.

If the task is requiring materials not in the homework book, your child knows they need to bring it in and then glue it into their homework book.

*Only as high as I reach can I grow,  
Only as far as I seek can I go,  
Only as deep as I look can I see,  
Only as much as I dream can I be.*

## Be Positively Involved

I strongly encourage every child to get involved with as many opportunities as they can here at Devon! We have many available that start this term, such as Kapa Haka, Pasifika, summer sports, winter sports, and music lessons for chosen instruments.

Please encourage your child to join up to something new so they are making their time here at Devon Intermediate a fun and positive experience!