

Devon Intermediate

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Devon Intermediate School Newsletter

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Kia ora Whanau

Welcome back to school. Didn't we have wonderful weather during the break? Everyone seems to have returned refreshed and rested.

We started this term by celebrating the students who won a Class Merit award for term one, well done to those students; and congratulations to Adventure House who were awarded the trophy for top house points last term.

Letters have been sent to parents/caregivers of students who had 100% attendance last term. That was an amazing effort considering the covid climate.

We have a busy Term 2 ahead and students are encouraged to be actively involved in activities.

Last week the student enrichment programme commenced. There are a wide variety of experiences available that engage and inspire our children to learn.

This week we hosted Brett McGregor, previous NZ Masterchef, now head chef for the Compass group who cater our school lunches. He discussed climate change and sustainability and the impact we are having on our environment. We have received very positive feedback about the learning experienced by our students.

Just a friendly reminder of our school uniform footwear policy. Students wear plain black shoes with no accenting colours (soles included) and the school approved socks (navy or black). They may wear school shoes and socks **OR** school sandals year-round.

Upcoming events include Otago Maths Problem Solving, Pink Shirt Mufti day, a Sports Exchange with Manukorihi on June 1st, and Teacher Only Day on the 3rd June. Looking ahead, please 'Save the date' for our Fundraiser on July 5. The William Pike group are having a quiz night at the Good Home.

As you know, Mrs Gellen is on sabbatical this term; we wish her well with her studies and look forward to hearing about the new innovations she plans on her return to school.

If you have queries or concerns about your child and school, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Nga mihi, Debra Young Acting Principal



DATES TO NOTE

Monday 16th May Parent link gathering 3.15pm-4.30pm

Wednesday June 1st Winter sport vs Manukorihi

Friday June 3rd Teacher only day

Friday 24th June Matariki No school.

Tuesday July 5thGood home quiz
night

TERM ONE CLASS MERIT WINNERS

Well done to the students who took home the class merit awards at the end of Term 1-

Endeavour-

Room 9 Year 7 - Lola Shepley Room 10 Year 7 - Ruby Pye

Room 11 Year 8 - Chasity Priest, Sarah Newman

Room 12 Year 8 - Skylah Taylor Hill, Chase Forbes

Resolution-

Room 18 - Mikayla Riddick

Room 19 - Charlotte Taylor

Room 20 - Brayden Wilton, Kaleb Craig

Room 21 - Regan Hislop; Paige Greenaway

Adventure-

Rm 13: Leilani Taiaroa, Alex Finderup

Room 14:

Lillyrose Swanson

Room 15:

Seth Bovey, Jessica Wilkes

Room 16:

Rebecca Butler

Discovery-

Room 5 - Georgia Haynes

Room 6 - Manu Bryers

Room 7 - Kyson Wallace

Term two/ winter sports has started off well for Devon with Hockey, Netball and Basketball in full swing. This weeks results are-

Hockey-

Devon Aces won 3-0 Devon Blaze won 1-0

Basketball-

Devon Aces won 48-40 Devon Blues lost 50-6 Devon Stars TBC

Netball- RESULTS TO BE CONFIRMED

Devon Mana Devon Māia Devon Toa Devon Mātātoa Devon Manawanui



LOST PROPERTY

We have an increasing amount of lost property coming and have noticed the majority of it is not named. Please ensure that your child's uniform is clearly named including their shoes.

STUDENT ILLNESS-

Since the beginning of term, we have been hit hard by illnesses amongst **the students**. We have noticed that a number of students are coming to school even though they are quite unwell. We ask that parents keep sick children at home until they are well to help prevent the spread of bugs. Thank you for your support.



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