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Devon Intermediate School Newsletter

December 16th 2022

Kia ora Whanau

Our last newsletter for 2022 and for some, our last newsletter from Devon Intermediate as your child moves on to High School. I would like to thank all whanau for everything you have done this year to support the school and your child to ensure our students and school are thriving and have a wide range of opportunities to experience.

My thanks also to the Toi Foundation, Aotearoa Trust, Dame Malvina Major Foundation, Sport Taranaki and NZCT for their financial support this year.

We have our minor prize giving starting at 2 pm in the hall on Thursday of this week. Can I ask that everyone is seated by 1.50 for the minor prize giving and we will have the fields available for parking. Our major prize giving starts at **11am on Friday**, hopefully on the tennis courts as we did last year. Could I ask that all whanau be seated by 10.50 and parking is on the field only as we will be using the tennis courts. Students will be released from school at the conclusion of prize giving.

At the end of this week, we will be saying farewell to Mr Lampe, Miss Vickery, Miss Hick, Mrs Mills and Miss Lee. As a staff we have already welcomed Mr Price, Mr Nelley and Mr Poingdestre who will be joining us next year.

A reminder that 2023 Pathway and Planning meetings will be held prior to the start of the 2023 school year and I would encourage everyone to meet with their child's 2023 teacher so the child, whanau and teacher can set some goals for 2023 and meet each other.

The first day of school for 2023 is Wednesday 1st February and I would ask that all Year 8 students meet in the hall by 8.40am to prepare for the powhiri at 9am. All Year 7 students and whanau coming to support them, need to meet on the tennis courts by 8.40am.

If you have any uniform items you could donate to the school, could you please drop them at school by Monday 20th December. The school office will be closing at 2pm on Monday 20th and re-opening Tuesday 24th January from 8.30-4pm for any second hand uniform items to be dropped off, second hand uniform purchases, pathway and planning meetings bookings or late enrolments.

Finally thanks to all of my staff and we wish you a Merry Christmas, an amazing New Year and we look forward to seeing you in 2023.

Nga mihi

Jenny Gellen Principal



DATES TO NOTE

Thursday December
15th
Minor Prizegiving

Friday December 16th Prizegiving

Friday December
16th
Last day of school-

closes at 12pm

Wednesday January 25th

School office reopens

Friday January 27thPlanning and pathways

Monday January 30th Planning and pathways

Wednesday February 1st
First day of school

Tuesday February 7thWaitangi day-School
closed

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