

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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TERM 2 2025 WEEK 9

Tena koutou katoa,

This is the last newsletter of this term and we would like to wish everyone a safe holiday break. School finishes this Friday and term 3 begins on Monday 14th July.

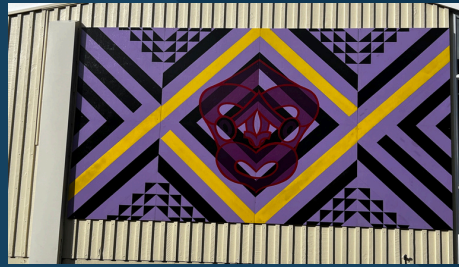
The last few weeks have been full of wonderful learning opportunities for our school. We have completed our Inter School sports, blessed our new murals and celebrated Puanga with our community. We fundraised money for Harold and Life Education as well as welcomed our local fire service to school. Thank you for all our sports coaches, supporters, donators, Breakfast club volunteers and whanau who have been part of this terms success. Without our community we would struggle to offer the variety of experiences we do.

MURAL BLESSING

Last week we held a blessing for our new murals. These were created by students and our local artist Haoro Hond. With Ngati Te Whiti and our Maori Achievement leader Damon Ritai we held a celebration of these works. All of our students were involved with following our event. This was to ensure that the correct tikanga was followed to establish the murals within our school. The purple mural near the office is called "Te Kura Huna" which means the hidden school. It is likened to a flounder that hides in plain site. The second mural near He Kakano classroom is called "He Kaokao" which is a tukutuku patter representing strength. [Check out our video on You Tube](#) (Click the link)

ACCURATE INFORMATION

It is crucial we have accurate contact information and the correct address for your family. We will be sending out a copy of your child's student profile. This shows the information we have for contacting you. If there are any mistakes please return the form with the updates.



SCHOOL BOARD

Term 3 will be the last two meetings for our current Board. The members of our Board have worked hard for you, your children and our school over the last 3 years. Some of the big projects they have overseen include big property works (Classroom upgrades, roofing, fire alarm and heating) redesigning our school logo and new signage, employing wonderful staff and ensuring our school stays in a great financial position. Our current Board consists of 5 parent elected members, a staff representative and the principal. Hilary Takarangi is our presiding member (Board chairperson) along with Craig Thorne, Christine Craddock, Rachel Symonds and Sandra Powell. Rachel McAvoy is our staff representative.

There will be an election for our new Board next term and information will be sent out to all families eligible. This will include a nomination form. If you think you might be interested in becoming a Board member and want to continuing the wonderful work done by past and current Board members and you want to see our school continue to thrive, please reach out to Tracy in the office. She will be able to connect you with the right people.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

This year our community consultation is to help our new Board develop a 3 year strategic plan. The survey has been sent to all whanau. We are having a class competition for the most returns. The winning class will get lunch with the Principal and two names will be drawn out for a Woolworths voucher. Your thoughts are very important to us and we would love to hear from you. You can access the survey on this link: [Community Survey](#). You can also scan this QR code



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DATES AND EVENTS

2025

Term 2

23 June

Cycle Safety

27 June

End of Term 2

Term 3

14 July

Start of Term 3

22 July

Year 6 swim safety

25 July

Board nominations called

13 August

Board nominations close

6 August

Devon Technobitz

17 Sept

Board Elections

19 Sept

End of Term 3

DEVON TECHNOBITZ

Devon Technobitz is a yearly invitation for our Year 6 students. They get the opportunity to try out some of the technology classes on offer at Devon Intermediate School. They have a chance to take part in one of the following: Food Technology, Digital Technology, Hard Materials, Performing Arts or visual Arts.

Mr Warren Smart will share more information with the year 6 students closer to the day.

FAREWELL TRISH POTTER

At the end of this term we farewell one of our amazing support staff members- Trish Potter. Trish has been working at our kura for the last 17 years in a variety of roles. She has been heavily involved with supporting our early readers, especially students who are struggling. She has run the Early Words program as well as Rainbow Reading. We would all like to thank Trish for her service at our school and wish her all the best for her retirement.





TERM 2 PHOTO GALLERY

