



# Devonport Primary School

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## *Waterwise Newsletter*

7<sup>th</sup> February 2010

Dear Parents,

Next Friday afternoon, 11<sup>th</sup> February sees the start of the Year 6 Waterwise programme, with Room 1 at Narrowneck Beach. Room 2 will begin the following week and the classes will be at Waterwise on alternate weeks until the end of term. This term we will leave school at 11:30am, and eat our lunch down at Narrowneck. We will return to school by 2:55pm.

Parents do need to give permission for their children to take part at Waterwise and I would ask that you please fill in the return slip on the next page and send it back to us as soon as possible. As a prerequisite to being involved in the Waterwise programme, the children are required to be able to swim unaided for 25 metres and we will be testing the children in the school pool.

When going to Waterwise all children will need to bring: swimming togs/shorts (for wearing under wetsuit), warm polar fleece type top, hat, drink, and sunscreen. Children may also bring their own wetsuit and suitable beach footwear is encouraged.

We are very fortunate to again have Kaaren Rosser running the sessions for us and she, along with her supportive team of parent instructors do a superb job each week.

We do, however, require parent helpers for transportation and for supervision. You do not have to be experienced in this type of programme, but do need to be willing to take an active part in the various activities. This may include going in an inflatable patrol boat with instructors, in a kayak or assisting us with supervision on the beach.

Please refer to the next sheet as there is information which must be sent back to school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

**Bruce Tilby, Debbie Thompson and Matthew Johnson** (Year 6 Teachers)

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# *Waterwise Newsletter Return Slip*

I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_ of Room 1 or 2 to take part in the 2011 Waterwise programme.

Yes / No (Please circle as appropriate).

I have paid / enclose the \$20.00 annual Waterwise fee. (Please circle as appropriate).

My child can swim 25 metres unaided.

Yes / No / Unsure (Please circle as appropriate).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent)

Date: 7 February 2010

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Yes I am able to help at Waterwise on the following dates: (please circle)

Room 1 - 11 February; 25 February; 18 March, 1 April

Room 2 - 18 February, 11 March, 25 March, 8 April

Saver Day - 15 April (in case of any cancellations).

Please Note:

Friday, 4 March - Secondary School Regatta (No Waterwise)

I can help with: (please circle)

Transport / Supervision / Transport and Supervision

Number of Seats (with Belts) \_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ . Email: \_\_\_\_\_ .

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent)

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