



Monday 8th June, 2020

Kia ora e te whānau,

I want to congratulate our tamariki and whānau for your positive mindset during Alert Level 2. We are awaiting the next announcement from our Prime Minister and then the Ministry of Education to inform us of any changes we may need to take.

So, for the remainder of this week we are keeping everything the same as we have over the past couple of weeks.

Following this newsletter is a lovely narrative of one of our amazing tamariki.

Kia manawanui, kia manaaki, kia haumaruru!

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Today we were finally able to present Himaani Devi with her fundraising medal and certificate. Last year Himaani raised \$5,528.92 for KidsCan. We are so proud of her determination and effort to support others. Himaani truly shows our Deanwell school values Hāpaitia Te Mana.

Two student leaders Hola and Natalia sat down with Himaani and asked her some questions about her fundraising. One of the main questions the children were wanting to know is how Himaani was able to raise so much money and was it difficult to ask people for help?

Himaani said it was hard at the start but it got easier as she raised more money.

She said that her parents and family helped her. Himaani was grateful that her father helped her make a video about KidsCan and the school fun run. This made it easier to ask for support.



When asked what message she wanted the students at Deanwell School to get from her effort to raise money for others, Himaani said she wanted the students to be nice to each other.



Himaani was asked why it was important to her to help raise money, she replied that she knew Deanwell is a KidsCan school and that KidsCan support kids who needed help. Himaani wanted to help KidsCan help these children. She knew she could help by collecting Fun Run money. Himaani said “I can help a little.” Himaani, you helped a lot.

The final question the student leaders asked Himaani was “What are you most proud of and why?” What made her proud was “that I could help the kids' lives.”

The final words come from Himaani’s speech at the 2019 Fun Run

“At my school I learn Mahi Ngatahi- working together and helping and caring for each other. I am a kiwi kid. I want to help KidsCan help all the needy kiwi kids get an equal chance at school education. KidsCan helps kids get education and gives meals, books, shoes and clothes to kids needing help.” “My parents and teachers always tell me to love, care, respect, share and respect each other.”



Ngā Mihi

Trudi Stanaway