

Kia ora Whānau

Bike week was amazing last week. We loved seeing all our tamariki riding bikes and having fun. Ifg your child/children do have a bike please encourage them to ride them to school. Please remind them to wear a helmet.

Pam xxx

Please help us to ensure
our people are safe after school.

Keeping Our Students Safe After School

At the end of every school day, the staff at Deanwell School work hard to ensure all of our students leave school safely. Each afternoon we dismiss 360 students, and we rely on the support of our whānau and wider community to help us keep this process safe and calm for everyone.

Our main safety risks at the end of the day are:

- Traffic movement around the school and carparks
- Limited visibility for drivers and pedestrians
- Congestion on footpaths and outside the school gates

With everyone working together, we can greatly reduce these risks.

After-School Procedures

To help keep all students safe, please support the following procedures:

- Students being picked up by whānau should sit on the seat in front of the front garden while they wait.
- Whānau collecting children are asked to use the Kiss and Drop zone.
- Staff will direct students to their car once it has stopped.
- All other students and whānau are encouraged to walk straight home to help reduce congestion around the school.
- Students with bikes or scooters must walk their wheels until they are past the main entrance.



Wednesdays

Wednesdays can be more challenging as Mangakōtuketuku College finishes early at 2:30 pm, meaning more people are around the school at this time.

We appreciate that most college students who regularly collect younger siblings, do so respectfully

However, the increased number of people outside the school can create congestion and safety risks. While we appreciate older siblings helping, **we will not tolerate any behaviour that puts our tamariki at risk.**

Last Wednesday, staff addressed several concerning incidents, including:

- Rude and obnoxious behaviour
- College students vaping on school grounds
- College students playing loud music
- A young Deanwell student found and handed in an open packet of cigarettes
- Another young Deanwell student found and handed in a phone
- Groups of college students blocking walkways and footpaths
- Groups of college students trying to walk through the front office

These incidents highlight the importance of following our safety procedures and respecting our school environment and people.

A Reminder for Mangakōtuketuku College Students

- During learning hours (8:45 am – 3:00 pm), Mangakōtuketuku College students are not permitted inside Deanwell School grounds.
- College students who are not collecting a sibling should not congregate outside the school gates.
- College Students collecting siblings are asked to wait outside the school.
- Younger siblings will be released from classrooms or brought to the front gate at 3:00 pm.

Please help us to ensure
Wednesday afternoons are safe for everyone.

Communication in the event of an emergency

In an emergency event, Deanwell School may need to contact parents and caregivers to advise them of the situation and advise where and how they can collect their child(ren) if needed.

Communication

The following communication methods will be utilised:

- Deanwell School App - HERO
- TEXT Message - HERO



Response

Utilising the above communication methods, we will inform parents and caregivers about:

- The situation and procedures. For instance during a lockdown, this may involve advising whānau to stay at home.
- Parents will be required to sign students out through our usual systems or directly through the classroom teacher.

Note each emergency situation is evaluated individually, and responses may vary accordingly.

Please be aware that on a termly basis, we practice our emergency procedures, including fire, lockdown, and earthquake drills. We do not inform whānau of these events and would only inform you if it was an emergency.

PLEASE KEEP CALM

BIKE WEEK!



Last week we had the best time getting out and riding our school's brand new bikes. Some parts were a bit tricky, so we had to show **aumangea** and keep trying even when it felt challenging.

A big thank you to Gordon and Michael from Alba Bikes for your help and support. We really appreciated it!



Ohu Tuakana Swimming Sports

Thursday 12 March 2026

Monday 9th March 2026

Kia ora Whānau,

We are looking forward to the Year 3, 4, 5, and 6 swimming sports taking place next Thursday 12th of March at the school pool from 9.15am until approximately 12.45 pm.

Order of events (approximate times)

9.15am - 10.45am: Year 3-4 heats , Year 3-4 finals

11.15am - 12.45am: Year 5-6 heats , Year 5-6 finals, Ohu Relays

We recommend that students bring 2 towels, a hat, drink bottle and extra food for this event. We recommend tamariki come dressed in their togs ready to go.

All whānau are welcome and we would love to see you there!

In the case of postponement the backup day will be Friday 13th of March.

Ohu Tuakana Teachers



Road Safety #4



Who can park in the staff car park?

Employees of Deanwell School

Whānau who have a student who requires wheelchair access and has school approval.



Whānau with tamariki who have a special access to school plan.



These students may travel to school by
GO BUS/VAN/CAR

Staff Car Park

AFTER SCHOOL COACHING

20 APRIL - 29 JUNE

NINJA ACADEMY



\$144
EARLYBIRD
SPECIAL
VALID UNTIL
5 APRIL

OUR METHOD

- Free play + conditioning + coaching sessions: trampolining, climbing, gymnastics & parkour
- 4.30 - 6pm
- Ages 5-13
- Every Monday in Term Two



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