



# Devon Intermediate

*Sailing towards an Attitude of Excellence*



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# Devon Intermediate School

## Newsletter

May 26, 2020



Devon Intermediate School  
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

Kia ora Whanau

It has been wonderful seeing the students back in the school grounds and we are all getting used to school under Level 2. All protocols with regards to hygiene and social distancing including restricting playground areas will stay in place until we hear more information from the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health.

Just a reminder to whanau that due to the seriousness of COVID 19 and in order to ensure the physical and mental wellbeing of both students and staff, the Board of Trustees have approved the following procedure:

*Any student who coughs or spits at others, or who claims to have COVID 19, will be sent home immediately and will not be allowed to return to school until they produce a clear COVID test.*

We understand that some students can make silly comments, but in the current pandemic climate, we will be having a zero tolerance approach to COVID related bullying or claims.

Could parents of those students who have entered the ICAS tests, urgently return the slip which was attached to the notice your child received last week. In the event that you have not received a notice, can you please contact Mrs. Young at school on 06 75 85266.

Devon Intermediate would like to Opt In to the Donations Scheme as set out by the Labour Government in their last budget. As part of the process we are asking if there are any parents who **DO NOT** want us to opt in. The Board will make a final decision at their next Board meeting in June dependent on your response. If you **DO NOT** think the school should Opt in, please feel free to inform me by e mail; [principal@devonint.school.nz](mailto:principal@devonint.school.nz)

Just a reminder of the upcoming dates you need to be aware of;

Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> is our Celebration Day. Students may wear mufti to school, there is no cost.

June 1<sup>st</sup> Queens Birthday Holiday, no school.

Friday June 26<sup>th</sup> Teacher Only Day

Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup> Pathway and Planning Meetings. School closes at 12 pm

Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> Pathway and Planning meetings. No school all day.

Nga mihi

Jenny Gellen, Principal

### DATES TO NOTE

**May 29th**  
Celebration Day

**June 1st**  
Queen's Birthday  
Holiday

**June 26th**  
Teacher Only Day  
for UBRS Training

**June 29th**  
Spotswood  
College  
Promotions  
Assembly at  
Devon

**July 2nd**  
School finishes at  
12pm for Pathway  
and Planning  
meeting with  
students and  
Parents

**July 3rd**  
Pathway and  
Planning Meetings  
all day.  
No normal classes

Last day of Term 2

**July 20th**  
First day of Term 3



The LION KING is coming to Devon Intermediate.

Auditions and practices for our Term 3 production of The Lion King are underway.



### FANTASTIC NETBALL NEWS!!!

Whaea Jan is very excited, as today she has heard that we have a start date for the 2020 Netball season!

The season kicks off on the 25th July and we are still going to have up to 15 games per team.

The fees have been reduced to \$50 per person (inclusive of the \$10 uniform bond).

After seeing many events cancelled already for the year, this is some much needed news to keep our children excited about sport.

There will be final trials next Friday 5th June and then more information will follow. Well done Netball Taranaki for coming through for our students!



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### BASKETBALL/HOCKEY

As yet we have no further information on where things stand with Basketball and Hockey teams in leagues outside of school, but be assured we will send a newsletter home once we have this information on hand.

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### "TENNIS ACTIVE"

For players of ANY ability and tennis experience.

A combination of tennis on court along with some off court agility and fitness.

Beginning Tuesday/Wednesday May 26/27

Tuesday 3:30 - 4:30 "Hot Shots" (5-9 yrs)

Wednesday 3:45-5pm Intermediate/High School

\* tennis coaching \* agility \* fun fitness \* sport prizes

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