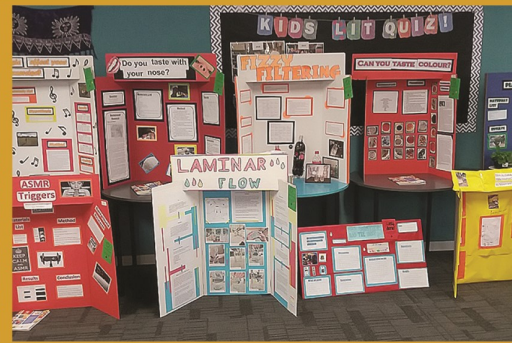




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Newsletter

7 September 2020

Kia ora Whanau

Spring already and we are quickly heading towards the end of term which is 3 pm on Friday September 25th. Before that, however, we have a huge amount happening at Devon Intermediate.

Our Championship cross country event will be held this Thursday 10th September. Level 2 means we are structuring things slightly differently this year. Parents are welcome to attend, however, we will have a taped off area for parents near the Northern Health School and contact tracing requirements in place. Students will be seated in House areas and we ask that all parents DO NOT enter these areas.

Friday 11th September we will be holding our MANA afternoon for all those students who were eligible for the first half of the term and there will be another one on Friday 25th for those eligible in the second half of the term.

A reminder that we are currently accepting enrolments for the 2021 school year. Enrolment packs are available from the school office and are required as soon as possible so we can ensure class placements are completed prior to the end of the school year and parents and students are notified as to who their teacher for 2021 will be.

A reminder also to Year 8 parents that your child should now be enrolled in a High School for next year. If you need any help with this or are not sure if this has been completed, please call Marissa in the school office.

Congratulations to Sophie Gaastra who won a prize in the Taranaki Science and Technology Fair held recently.

We start Term 4 with the Life Education Buses visiting us and we also have a Teacher Only Day on Friday 23rd October which is the Friday of Labour Weekend.

Our new dates for the Lion King Jr Production have been set down for Thursday 5th to Saturday 7th November. Those of you who had already purchased tickets, we ask you get in touch at the beginning of next term to reschedule for one of the new dates. Anyone else wishing to purchase tickets, this is by way of a koha and will be available from the beginning of the new term.

This week we welcome Ms Raewyn Hope as our new school librarian. We do hope you enjoy your time working with us at Devon Intermediate.

In the last couple of weeks we have farewelled Mike Heslop, part-time caretaker, Rebecca Sherning, teacher aide and Clinton Smith our ESOL teacher aide. At the end of the term, Cathie Askew, Executive Officer, will also be leaving after 13 1/2 years. We wish everyone the very best in their future endeavours.

My thanks to those parents who have kept their children home when they have been sick. We do appreciate your support.

Here's wishing you all a safe and happy holiday break, with the new school term beginning Monday 12 October, 8.40am.

Nga mihi,



Jenny Gellen, Principal



Devon Intermediate School
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

DATES TO NOTE

**Thursday 10
September**

Championship Cross
Country

Friday 11 September
MANA Reward day

**Wednesday 23
September**

Taranaki Cross Country
Champs

Friday 25 September
MANA Reward Day

Last Day of Term Three

Monday 12 October
First Day of Term Four

12—21 October
Life Education
Programme

Friday 23 October
Teacher Only Day

28 October
Labour Day—no school

Friday 30 October
Puanga

Monday 2 November
Standards Athletics

5—7 November
Lion King Jr
Production



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

All Scholastic Book orders are due in at the office by Friday 11 September please or alternatively orders can be placed and paid for online at <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent/Login.aspx> . This is a great opportunity to purchase books at low cost and support our school to purchase more books for the school library.

LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAMME

The Life Education mobile classrooms will be based at Devon for the first 8 days of Term 4. All students will be participating in this very worthwhile programme. The cost is \$5.00 per student which is payable to the school office if you haven't already done so. The cost of this high-quality programme is heavily subsidized through fundraising by the Taranaki Life Education Trust.

ANDERSON PIES

Just a reminder that all Anderson Pies orders and monies must be in at the office by 8.45am on Wednesday 9th September. The delivery date is Thursday 17th September, and we would appreciate the help of 6 parents who could come in to help sort them out. We have had a couple of huge orders in already, but which 2 students will take out the prizes for the most \$ value of pies sold??? We look forward to presenting these prizes hopefully at an assembly soon. Many thanks for your support in this fundraiser.

SUMMER UNIFORM

The beginning of Term 4 signals the change to summer uniform for all of our students in particular a change of footwear. Our summer uniform footwear follow:

- Black Roman sandals, black Gladiator sandals or black flat sole sandals with a heel strap.

Students may wear their sandals from now on if their winter shoes are broken or lost.



Join us on 10 & 11 October for Love Tennis 2020!

Tennis clubs across the region are opening their doors for a fun, action packed weekend. There will be prizes, giveaways, activities and heaps of action on and off the court. Thanks to our partners Hell Pizza there are hundreds of pizza vouchers to give away to participants at every club!

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- Racquets supplied;
- BBQ;
- Prizes & Giveaways.



Come and check out what your local tennis club has to offer. Love Tennis is happening at the following local tennis clubs:

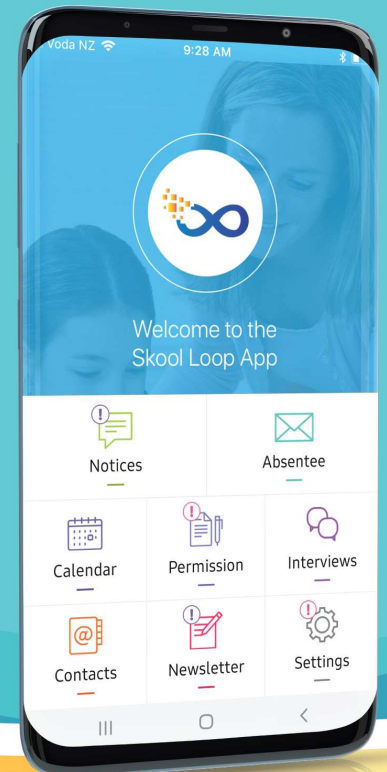
Huatoki Tennis Club
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Pukekura Park Tennis Club
Rotokare Tennis Club
Waiwaka Tennis Club



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