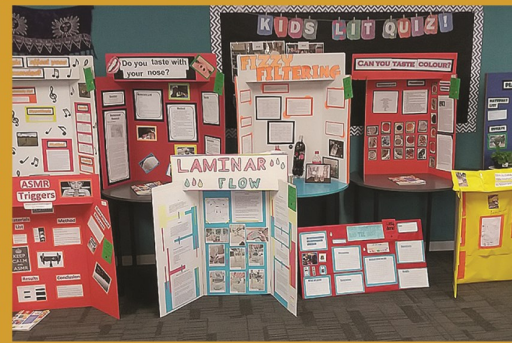




# Devon Intermediate

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# Devon Intermediate School

## Newsletter

15 April 2021

Kia ora whanau

Our last newsletter for Term 1 of 2021 and it has been a busy term but the students have been amazing and settled in well to Devon Intermediate.

I was hugely proud of all of our students who were involved in the summer sports exchange this week. While we didn't always win, our Devon students displayed incredible sportsmanship, fair play and good manners and you should be immensely proud of them. We look forward to the Winter Sports exchanges starting in the latter part of next term.

A reminder that Term 2 starts at our normal time on Monday May 3rd. Terms 2 and 3 are winter uniform terms where the students wear black polishable shoes, no canvas shoes, sports shoes or boots of any description and students are to wear plain black or navy crew socks (above the ankle) or the regulation school socks.

We have two more classrooms coming on site at the start of next term to cater for roll growth and these will be moved on to the school on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Can I just ask that parents visiting the school on that day be aware that this is happening with the classrooms being bought in via Bonithon Avenue which may affect parking on that day.

Winter sports are underway in some codes and our netball girls are involved in grading games at the moment. Our first winter sports exchange will be held on Tuesday May 25<sup>th</sup> at Manukorihi Intermediate. More details will be available next term.

After school badminton will start on Wednesday afternoons from next term from 3-4pm for any student who wishes to learn to play or improve their skills.

The Kids Lit Quiz will be held on Wednesday May 5<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart Girls College and we wish our team good luck for that. Mrs Young has been preparing the team in readiness for the annual event.

Nigel Latta will be at Devon Intermediate on May 11<sup>th</sup> from 1.30pm. This is a free event to our school community but tickets must be booked at [www.eventspronto.co.nz/NPIS](http://www.eventspronto.co.nz/NPIS). Parking will be on the tennis courts and we would love to see a huge number of parents at this event. It is an adult only event due to the nature of the talk.

An advance reminder that we have a Teacher Only Day scheduled for Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> which is the Friday leading in to Queens Birthday weekend.

Our end of term MANA day is scheduled for tomorrow, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> for those students who are eligible.

Finally, a huge thank you for all of your support this term and we look forward to welcoming your child back to school on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Nga mihi

Jenny Gellen

Principal

### ABSENCES

There is a well-recognised link between attendance at school and student achievement. Every day that students are not at school, is a lost opportunity to learn.

Ministry of Education guidelines describe a justified absence as being illness, attending a tangi or funeral or representation at a provincial or national level in a sporting or cultural event. All other absences are considered to be unjustified, even if the absence is explained.

**If your child is late to school they must report to the office for a late slip. Please ensure that they have a written note giving a reason for their lateness or please phone or text the school office. Phone 758 5266 or 021 082 99278.**



Devon Intermediate School  
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

### DATES TO NOTE

**Friday 16 April**  
Last day of Term 1

**Monday 3 May**  
First Day of Term 2

**Tuesday 11 May**  
Nigel Latta at Devon

**10 May - 12 May**  
Young Leaders

**Thursday 13 May**  
Enrichments Start

**Tuesday 25 May**  
Sports vs Manukorihi  
At Manukorihi

**Wednesday 2 June**  
Mana Reward Day

**Friday 4 June**  
Teacher Only Day  
(School Closed)

**Monday 7 June**  
Queens Birthday  
(School Closed)

**Tuesday 15 June**  
Tiki Toa

**Tuesday 29 June**  
Sports vs Hawera  
At Devon

**Wednesday 30 June**  
Year 8 visit to  
Spotswood College

**Tuesday 6 July**  
Tiki Toa

## WINTER UNIFORM

Term 2 (starting 3 May) will bring cooler and wetter weather and a change to our winter uniform. Our prospectus states: Flat, black polishable school shoes, either lace-up, buckled or velcroed (no colour brand markings, slip-ons or canvas shoes). We will accept blue opaque tights and navy knee high socks. Please support us by ensuring your child has the correct uniform shoes and socks.

To clarify the winter uniform socks allowed at Devon – Navy blue or black crew socks or the Devon uniform socks (with the blue stripes at the top (available from Campus Clothing in Gill Street)), are both acceptable. Girls may wear navy blue tights. Below the ankle socks, are not acceptable



## BASKETBALL

Basketball fees are now due. Fees will need to be paid by **Friday 23rd April 2021**. If payments are not made, sadly teams will not be fielded this year. Alternately an automatic payment started and advise to the office please - office@devonint.school.nz.

**Fees are \$77.00.**

## HOCKEY

Hockey fees are now due. Fees will need to be paid by **Friday 30th April 2021**. If payments are not made, sadly teams will not be fielded this year. Alternately an automatic payment started and advise to the office please - office@devonint.school.nz.

**Fees are \$80.00.**

## SPORTS EXCHANGE RESULTS

### Touch

Year 7 Girls - 3rd Place  
Year 8 Girls - 2nd Place  
Year 7 Boys - 4th Place  
Year 8 Boys - 4th Place

### T-Ball

Year 7 Girls - 4th Place  
Year 8 Girls - 3rd Place  
Year 7 Boys - 3rd Place  
Year 8 Boys - 3rd Place

### Volleyball

Girls - 5th Place  
Boys - 3rd Place

### Cricket - 3rd Place

Tennis - 4th Place

Patter Tennis - 4th Place

### Ki O Rahi

Boys - 2nd Place  
Girls - 2nd Place

Non-Stop Cricket - 4th Place

## NIGEL LATTA AT DEVON INTERMEDIATE

Facebook Event Link

<https://www.facebook.com/events/112920983426>



### Nigel Latta Our Kids & Alcohol

A FREE seminar for caregivers and whānau of intermediate age children

**THIS EVENT IS FOR ADULTS ONLY**

Nigel Latta will share with us, in his own unique, bold and upfront style, insights into the relationship between our tamariki and alcohol.

Discover the impact of alcohol on your tamariki and their hauora - health and wellbeing

Learn about the benefits and strategies related to delaying their drinking

**BOOK YOUR FREE TICKETS NOW**  
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Tuesday 11 May  
1:30pm - 3:00pm  
Devon Intermediate School

Tuesday 11 May  
7:00pm - 8:30pm  
Highlands Intermediate School

Wednesday 12 May  
9:30am - 11:00am  
Manukorihi Intermediate School

Contact Alisha Stone on: manager@npis.org.nz or 027 227 2677

**NPIS**  
NEW PLYMOUTH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

## OUT OF HOURS MUSIC

We still have positions available in the Out of Hours music classes if anyone is interested. Just \$10 for the year to learn either Guitar, Keyboard or Brass. Lessons last for 30 minutes and are held once a week out of class time, using proficient tutors who come into the school for this purpose.

**Guitar** Wednesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm

**Keyboard** Wednesdays 7.45 - 8.45am

**Brass** Tuesdays 2.40 - 3.40pm

If your child is interested in learning an instrument, enrolment forms can be completed at the school office.

## HELL PIZZA READING CHALLENGE

A highly successful programme that gets kids reading and enjoying stories with the pleasure of getting free pizza rewards. Children are given "pizza wheels". Every time they finish a book a write a short review, a slice of pizza is clicked off and signed by the teacher or librarian. Once the pizza is complete, students can redeem a free 333 Pizza.



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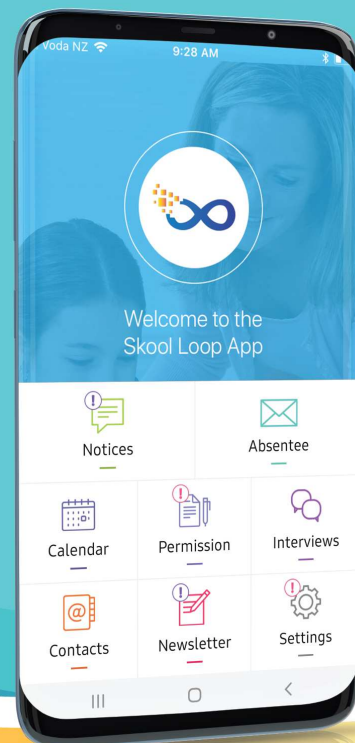
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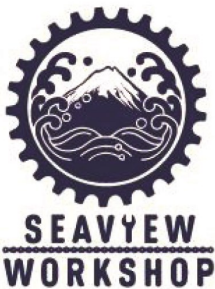
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