

# Devon Intermediate

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### **Devon Intermediate School Newsletter**

10 April 2024

Kia ora Whanau

Our last newsletter for the term and I hope everyone has a restful holiday. A reminder that school concludes for the term this Friday at 3 pm, and we start Term 2 on Monday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 8.40am.

We have been notified that Monday 29<sup>th</sup> is also the first day of some major roadworks happening on Devon Street West, Lorna Street area. Lorna Street will not provide access to Devon Street West for approximately a month.

Last week we participated in a fantastic summer sports exchange. Well done to all of our teams who demonstrated great sportsmanship and displayed our MANA values for the entire day.

This was followed up by an amazing Cultural Day on Friday. We were so fortunate to have West End Primary and Spotswood College Kapa Haka groups join us for our day, along with the Spotswood College Pasifika group. Our thanks to Miss Tuigaleava and Miss Kynoch for organising this incredible event.

A few reminders for next term. After school badminton starts on Wednesdays and it runs from 3-4 pm in the school hall. This runs for Term 2 and Term 3. All levels of ability are more than welcome, and parents are more than welcome to join us from 3.45pm to have a hit with the students.

Our student leaders have been given an amazing opportunity which will happen on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Our young leaders have been given the opportunity to be involved in a Kiwi release on our maunga. We have a very excited group of students who will be attending this event.

On May 9<sup>th</sup>, our Parent link group will be holding a mufti day to raise funds towards our goal of heating and covering the school pool. Students can either bring a gold coin or a non-perishable item of food. A Parent link newsletter will come out at the beginning of next term will all the exciting things to come.

Advance notice that there will be a Teacher Only Day on Friday 31st May. We will be continuing our work on IBMP on that day.

At the start of next term will be saying farewell to our amazing office lady, Zara Dobson. Zara has been with us for two years and is moving overseas with her family. We will be welcoming Mrs Tracey Haldane into the office from the start of next term and we look forward to working with her. Enjoy the holidays.

Nga mihi

Jenny Gellen Principal



DATES TO NOTE

Friday 12th April MANA Reward Day

Friday 12th April
Last Day of Term 1

Monday 29th April First day of Term 2

Thursday 9th May Parent Link Mufti Day

Wednesday 15th
May
Inter intermediate
League tournament

Wednesday 15th May National Young Leaders Conference

Monday 3rd June
Kings Birthday
School Closed

Friday 7th June PCT Challenge

#### **UPCOMING SPORTS**

#### RIPPA RUGBY

Venue: Hickford Park, Bell Block

Thursday 11 April

5pm Devon Blues vs Bell Block Taniwhas - Field 1b

#### **NETBALL**

Venue: Waiwhakaiho Netball Courts Saturday 13 April

10am Devon Mana vs Manukorihi Kaiwaka - Court 9 11am Devon Toa vs SHGC 7A - Court

12pm Devon Manawanui vs IURNC Rubies - Court 12

#### WINTER UNIFORM

During winter, stockings can be worn, knee high or above the ankle navy or black socks and fully enclosed black shoes. The shoes must be completely black. School pants and an updated style of jacket are available for purchase from Campus Clothing on Gill Street.

#### **SPORTS FEES**

A reminder for sports fees payments to be made or an A/P to be arranged with the office.

If nothing has been arranged, students will not receive their sports uniforms.

Please contact the office on 067585266 or office@devonint.school.nz if you need to make a payment arrangement.

#### **PARENT LINK 2024**

Our Parent Link group is under way for 2024 and we have some exciting events and fundraisers in the works for the year. We have had our first meeting and it was great to see some new faces there. We would love to see more parents involved, whether it be attending a meeting to share your ideas, a couple of hours of your time at an event or whatever you can offer. It doesn't have to be a commitment for the whole year.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 1st of May at 3.30 in the staffroom.



#### **LOST PROPERTY**

We have an increasing amount of lost property coming in and have noticed the majority of it is not named. Please ensure that your child's uniform is clearly named including their shoes.

#### **SCHOOL FEES 2024**

Devon Intermediate Board of Trustees removed the cost of the school donation in line with the 2019 Budget Announcement, whereby the school is subsidised \$150 per student for school expenses.

The annual cost to cover, Food, Wood, Art, Digital Technology and Performing Arts take home consumables have been reduced to just \$20.00 per student this year. Additional costs for the year are:

School Diary \$12.00

Payments to be made to the school office (cash, or EFT-POS). Alternately, payments can be made by Direct Credit to Bank Account No. 153949 0276621 80 or by Automatic Payment. Please ensure that your payment description includes students name and what payment is for. Invoices will be coming out this week.

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