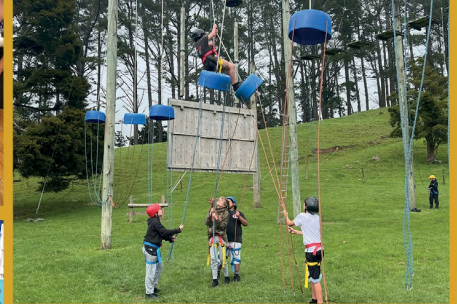




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Devon Intermediate School Newsletter

30 April 2025

Kia ora Whanau

Welcome to Term 2. I hope everyone had a lovely break which included Easter and ANZAC Day.

We want to welcome back Whaea Carman who has taken over the Kaiarahi Wahine role from Whaea Jan, who has moved to Auckland to be with her mokopuna. Whaea Carman has worked in the school before and has also been leading the Te Ara Taiao group, and she will continue to do this, along with her new role. Welcome also to Richard de Groot who has taken over from Roger Pokere as our Assistant Caretaker.

Congratulations to Marnie Johnson who went to the NZ motorcross championships. We are so excited to let you know that after the 3-day championship, Marnie came 2nd in the junior woman's 85cc class. She now holds 2nd fastest junior woman title for 85cc 8 to 11yr old. Please let me know if your child has done something special in their sport or area of passion so that we can celebrate their achievements.

Our Year 7 students will be improving their cycling skills this term with thanks to the Let's Go Biking team. We have bikes and helmets for students to use, but all students are most welcome to bring their own bike and helmets. It's a timely reminder that all students who are cycling to school must be wearing a helmet. Unfortunately, we have several students who don't believe they need to wear one.

Our winter sports exchange against Te Paepae o Aotea will be held at Devon on May 14. It would be wonderful to see whanau here supporting our teams. More information will come out shortly regarding the timetable for the sports event.

A reminder to order your child's school photo from the Photolife website, www.photolife.co.nz. If you have not received the information for ordering, please call Marissa at the school office and she will be able to help you with this.

We had a lovely start to the term announcing our class merit winners from Term one. The following students received class merit awards:

Room 8	Lewis Shields
Room 9	Mikayla Whittle / Tamati Phillips
Room 10	Uale Lokeni
Room 11	Ziyang Yu
Room 13	Amelia MacDonald
Room 14	Ruby Harrowfield
Room 15	Ella Waterman/ Tamsin Frost
Room 17	Leyala Tilsley/ Kora Nepia
Room 18	Bianca Ngoc Nhi
Room 19	Te Oata Waiwai
Room 20	Anya Parsottam
Room 21	Te Hana Knuckey
Room 22	Neve Murray/ Kanami Edwards



Devon Intermediate School
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

DATES TO NOTE

May 14

Devon vs Te Paepae
o Aotea
winter sports
exchange @ Devon

May 19-20

NYLD Conference

May 23

Ahihi MANA day

May 28

Devon vs Manukorihi
winter sports
exchange @
Manukorihi

May 30

Teachers only day
SCHOOL CLOSED

June 2

King's Birthday
SCHOOL CLOSED

June 11

Year 7/8 Rippa Rugby
@ the Racecourse

June 17

Year 7/8 Rippa Rugby
Finals day @ Taranaki
Stadium

June 20

Matariki
SCHOOL CLOSED

A reminder that we run after school badminton on Wednesday afternoons from 3pm-4pm for any student who wishes to learn how to play or to improve their skills.

Our enrichments programme starts this Friday during Block 2 and our first Board meeting of the term will be on Monday May 5.

With winter approaching, 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 in Gill Street.

Winter sports kick off this term, with Netball this weekend. A reminder that all fees need to be paid before uniforms are handed out. If you have not yet made payment, or started an AP, please speak to Marissa in the office who can assist you with this.

Nga Mihi

Jenny Gellen
Principal

TERM 2—WINTER SPORT TEAM PRACTICES

*****Coaches will notify parents if there are any changes*****

NETBALL (All practices take place at Devon netball courts)

Devon Mana

Thursday - 3pm - 4pm

Friday - Winter sports

Devon Toa

Tuesday - Lunchtime

Devon Manawanui

Friday - 3pm - 4.30pm

Devon Māia

Wednesday - 4.30pm

HOCKEY (Practice takes place at Spotswood college)

Devon Stars

Tuesday 4pm - 5pm

BASKETBALL (Practice is top basketball court at Devon)

Devon Nets

Monday - Lunchtime

Devon Ais

Wednesday - Lunchtime

MANA Awards

Congratulations to these students who earned their gold and silver MANA awards this week.

Thomas More, rm 11, gold MANA award

Gracie Wood, rm 11, silver MANA award



NETBALL - BASKETBALL - HOCKEY

Playing uniforms are needed to play!

Fees need to be paid in full or automatic payments started before you can receive your playing uniform.

Netball and hockey competition games start this week. Collection of basketball uniforms is on Wednesday April 30.

Please make sure your child's sports fees are sorted.



Whānau Hui

Thursday May 22nd

5.30pm-6.30pm

Devon Intermediate Staffroom

Our evening will include...

- An update about our progress towards the goals we set at our last Hui.
- There will also be time for whānau to share ideas and generally kōrero.

We look forward to seeing any whānau there! Tamariki welcome.

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