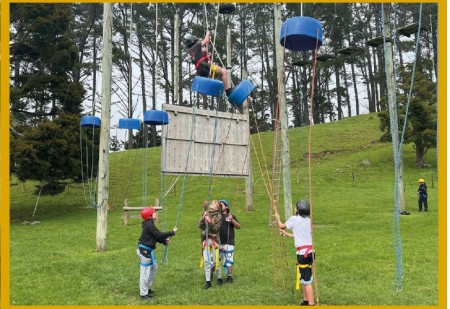




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# Devon Intermediate School Newsletter

27th June 2024

Kia ora Whānau,

This is our last newsletter for Term 2 and a reminder that we have Pathway and Planning meetings happening next week, Thursday 4th and Friday 5th of July so there will be no normal classes. Please make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher so your child, along with the teacher can catch you up with their progress and you can help your child and teacher set goals for the second half of the year.

Congratulations to our mixed Rippa rugby team who placed 6th in the Taranaki finals.

There will be a few staffing changes next term and the classes which the changes affect will be notified early next week once staffing is finalised.

This last Monday, our prospective second half year Head Girl and Head Boy candidates spoke at our assembly. Congratulations to all those students who put themselves forward for these two positions and congratulations to all those who spoke at assembly. They did themselves and their whānau proud. The new Head Girl and Head Boy will be announced at our first assembly next term.

During Term 3 all girls will be taking part in self-defense lessons. This will be being held in the latter part of the term and we are sure that they will find the skills they learn to be beneficial to them in the future.

Term 3 also sees us getting organized for our production which will be performed at the start of Term 4. This year our production will be "Lost in the Ever After" and we are delighted to have Sharren Read, our Performing arts teacher directing it. We hope to see as many students as possible being involved in this year's production, be it on stage or assisting with props/ staging/ lighting etc.

We have lots of things happening next term for you to be aware of. New Plymouth Girls High and Boys High schools will be holding their promotional visits on Thursday July 25th at Devon Intermediate with New Plymouth Boys High School Open Day being held on Wednesday 31st July and New Plymouth Girls High School Open Day being held on Thursday 1st August.

Spotswood College are joining us for their promotional visit on Monday 29th July and their Open Night is being held on Tuesday 30th July. Orientation visits to Spotswood College will be held later in the year for Devon students.

Our last Winter Sports exchange will be held on Tuesday 30th July against Highlands Intermediate and will be held at Highlands.

I hope everyone has a lovely Matariki Weekend and we look forward to seeing all the students back on Monday after having Friday off.

Nga mihi

Jenny Gellen



Devon Intermediate School  
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

## DATES TO NOTE

**Friday 28th June**  
Matariki holiday

**Thursday 4th July**  
Progress and  
Pathways Meetings

**Friday 5th July**  
Progress and  
Pathways Meetings  
Last Day of Term 2

**Monday 22nd July**  
First day of term 3

**Tuesday 30th July**  
**Winter Sports**  
Exchange V  
Highlands

## RIPPA RUGBY FINAL

The Champions Teams Year 7/8 Rippa Competition was held at Yarrow Stadium, New Plymouth on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Devon Black mixed team; Ezekiel Ormsby, Tyrell Cameron-Taylor, Knoxx Healey, Larson Wallace, Tiaki Powers, Tali Watkins, Moana Murray, Amelia MacDonald, Jazmin Korau, Yasin Can, Alesana Tuavao and Lydia Willan played hard and placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the competition for all of Taranaki. A huge accomplishment! We were captained by Alesana Tuavao of Room 11.

Player of the Day went to Jazmin Korau of Room 21.

Special recognition goes to Lydia Willan (Room 16) who stepped in at short notice.



## CREATIVES IN SCHOOL—TŪRANGAWAEWAE

We have been busy working on our school mural. The weather has been good, so students have been outside working with artist Heidi Griffin, painting sections of the wall in colour. It's exciting to see progress and we look forward to seeing it develop further in the coming weeks. If you would like to get involved, please contact the school office.



## LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property bin that is located in the student entrance way of the office is still overflowing and will be emptied on the last day of term. Please can students check if any of the items of clothing are theirs. It would also be very beneficial to have all students school uniform items named please.



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