



Devon Intermediate

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Devon Intermediate School Newsletter

5 March 2025

Kia ora Whanau

Many thanks to those who have responded to our Health Survey. A reminder that all responses are required by this Friday. The draw for the Woolworths vouchers will take place first thing Tuesday morning.

Upcoming events include our **Teacher Only Day** this Friday, March 7, where staff will be working on gaining an understanding of the changes to the Mathematics Curriculum. There will be **no classes** on this day. Rooms 19 and 10 will be involved in learning to snorkel in our school pool on Wednesday March 12, in preparation for their trip to Goat Island later in the year. Friday March 14 will see our Championship Swimming event being held between 11.00am and 12.30pm and we would love to see whanau join us for this. In the afternoon, our first MANA Day for eligible students will be held. On the same day, the inter-intermediate Duathlon is being held at Manukorihi Intermediate.

Immunisations for both year 7's and year 8's will take place on Wednesday March 12. If you haven't already, please return the vaccination permission slip to the school office as soon as possible.

It was great to see whanau come and support their children on our Standards Swimming Sports day last Friday. Resolution House took out the day and the House Competition is truly on for this year.

Recently, the Board of Trustees approved the addition of plain black bucket hats, as well as completely plain black or navy-blue caps, to the list of approved uniform items. The office has blue bucket hats and the black and navy-blue caps for sale if anyone needs to purchase one.

Winter sports selections are occurring now so please encourage your child to get themselves involved in the school teams. A reminder also that all registration fees must be paid prior to the start of the competition. If you have an automatic payment running with the school, this will allow your child to play even if the total registration amount hasn't been paid.

Hoping everyone has a lovely Taranaki Anniversary weekend.

Nga mihi



Jenny Gellen
Principal



Devon Intermediate School
Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

DATES TO NOTE

March 7

Teacher only day
School Closed

March 10

Taranaki Anniversary
School Closed

March 12

EMR Snorkelling
And
Immunisations for
year 7 and 8

March 14

Swimming Champs
and
Inter-Intermediate
Duathlon

March 18

EMR Snorkelling

March 25

School Photos

March 25

Weetbix Tryathlon

March 26

Inter-Intermediate
Swimming Champs

April 4

Devon Cultural Day

April 11

Term one ends

April 28

Term two starts

SCHOOL FEES 2025

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.

SPORTS—CURRENT AND UPCOMING

Netball: Teams have been finalised. Fee's need to be paid ASAP so playing uniforms can be issued.

Hockey: Permission slips need to be returned to the school office so team registration can be done.

Basketball: Newsletter's and permission slips will be available to students on Monday. Trials will begin on Wednesday March 12 during lunchtime.

COMMUNICATION

Please join our private whanau facebook group "Devon Intermediate School" or download the Skool Loop app to stay up to date with what is happening at school. We post sports times, results, achievements and all sorts.



Please feel free to add grandparents and other caregivers but we do need you to answer the questions upon joining.

2025 Kiwi Competitions



Online competition for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary students



Kiwi Science Competition



Kiwi Maths Competition



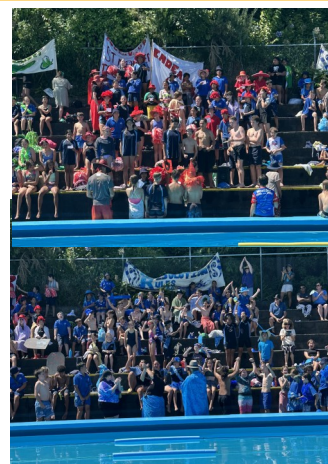
Kiwi English Competition

Designed by NZ teachers for Kiwi students and align with the NZ curriculum.

The competition will run during the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3.



Notices available at the school office.



WEET-BIX TRYATHLON

Entries are open for the Weetbix Tryathlon on 25th March at Ngamotu Beach.

The TRYathlon is all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out for you and your child.

Participants need to be aged 7-15 years old on event day, and can complete the TRYathlon as an individual or in a team of two. Participants need to be aged 6 years old on event day to complete the Splash&Dash

To enter the TRYathlon visit www.tryathlon.co.nz/ Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for Devon Intermediate School when prompted. By linking to our school group it will give us the chance to win some great prizes.

If someone you know requires financial assistance to enter the TRYathlon, should it be subsidised entry fees or funding for necessary equipment, then you can apply to the Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation for assistance. Visit www.tryathlon.co.nz/foundation for details.

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Weet-Bix
KIDS TRYathlon

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