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Kia ora e te whānau,

Nau mai, hoki mai! Welcome back to Term 3! Traditionally a winter term of consolidation and deep learning, this is a time for us to look outward and focus on how we truly care for others. This term, our guiding concept is Aroha in Action: Feeding the Source. In our Catholic context, this means living out the Gospel through the lenses of our Mercy values: Service and Social Justice. Guided by Te Wharetapu o te Ngākau Māori, we will explore what truly fills the "heart" of our school, our ākonga (learners), and our wider community, anchoring our collective identity firmly in faith and culture.

It is going to be a vibrant and action-packed term with so many wonderful opportunities to bring these values to life. We are thrilled to welcome our new international students into our whānau, and we have an exciting lineup of events, including the Wool in Schools classroom experience, inspiring Kapa Haka performances, and a hands-on trip to the Resource Recovery Centre to care for our environment. Plus, we can look forward to some fantastic community connection with the PTFA Disco and our upcoming Quiz Night. Let's rug up, dive deep into our learning, and show our community what Aroha in Action truly looks like!

God Bless, *Vimi Chandra*

Other notices

Free Piano

Is there a family who would like a piano in very good condition well maintained. I am offering it free to anyone who can remove it from my very small home.

I live in Owens road and of course inspection of the piano is welcome/. It is an upright John Braadwood

Contact scottblythart@gmail.com

Celebrate Grandparents and the Elderly in Our Lives

Marriage & Family Life warmly invites you to a special **Grandparents**

Mass as we give thanks for the love, wisdom, and faith that grandparents and older people share with our families and communities.

We especially encourage **grandchildren to bring their grandparents**, and everyone is welcome to bring an elderly person in their life whom they would like to honour.



St Patrick's Cathedral

43 Wyndham Street (corner of Federal Street), Auckland

 **Sunday, 26 July**

 **4:30 pm**

 Reduced parking fees apply.

Come and celebrate together as one family in faith. We look forward to welcoming you!

Timetable of events for term 3

Friday 24 June	Kapa Haka group performing at William Sanders village Belmont Intermediate enrolments open
Sunday 26 July	Rippa practice at rugby grounds 3.30pm
Monday 27 July	Belmont Intermediate Open Day 11.15am Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent meeting 3pm
Tuesday 28 July	Belmont Intermediate Open Day 9am
Wednesday 29 July	Rippa practice 7.30am at school PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 30 July	Noughty Wasters trip whole school No chess club
Friday 31 July	Sausage Sizzle lunch Whole school to midday mass
Sunday 2 August	Rippa practice at rugby grounds 3.30pm
Tuesday 4 August	Music lessons with Dominic Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 5 August	Rippa practice 7.30am at school
Thursday 6 August	Chess club 1pm
Friday 7 August	Year 5 Cycle Skills Disco 5.30pm to 8pm
Sunday 9 August	Rippa practice at rugby grounds 3.30pm
Tuesday 11 August	Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 12 August	Rippa practice 7.30am at school
Thursday 13 August	Chess club 1pm
Friday 14 August	Whole School Mass
Sunday 16 August	Rippa practice at rugby grounds 3.30pm
Monday 17 August	Keeping Ourselves Safe programme starts
Tuesday 18 August	Music lessons with Dominic Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 19 August	Rippa practice 7.30am at school BOT meeting
Thursday 20 August	Chess club 1pm
Friday 21 August	Ministry of Ed Curriculum Teacher Only Day

Sunday 23 August	Rippa practice at rugby grounds 3.30pm
Monday 24 August	Cans for Christmas collection starts
Tuesday 25 August	Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 26 August	Rippa practice 7.30am at school PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 27 August	Rippa rugby tournament No chess club
Friday 28 August	Belmont Intermediate enrolments close Daffodil Day
Sunday 30 August	School/Parish Mass
Monday 31 August	Book Fair opens Kapa Haka group to RSA
Tuesday 1 September	Music lessons with Dominic Assembly 2.15pm Save day Rippa tournament Kapa Haka showcase
Thursday 3 September	Chess club 1pm
Friday 4 September	Last day for cans for Christmas Book Character Parade
Sunday 6 September	Father's Day
Tuesday 8 September	Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 9 September	Soccer festival
Thursday 10 September	Save Day soccer festival Chess club 1pm
Friday 11 September	Photolife Photos day Quiz night
Tuesday 15 September	Music lessons with Dominic Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 16 September	PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 17 September	Chess club 1pm
Tuesday 22 September	Playgroup 9.15am Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 23 September	BOT meeting
Thursday 24 September	Chess club 1pm
Friday 25 September	Whole school to Mass Last day of term 3

PTFA News

Meeting date

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, 29 July** (link will be sent out closer to the time)
We will be starting fair planning, so please join us if you can.

3 July - 2 August - dumpling & buns fundraiser - information on how to order has been sent home today. Please get your orders in.

Sausage Sizzle

We will be holding a sausage sizzle lunch on **31 July**. Order forms have gone home this week.
Please return these by **28 July**

Disco

Tickets are on sale for the disco on **7 August 5.30 - 8.00**. The theme is A Night at the Movies.
\$15 includes dinner for the children. There will also be hot chips, drinks and other goodies for sale as well as glow sticks etc. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Save the Date for upcoming fundraising events

11 September - Quiz night at the RSA - save the date and get your team together (tickets will be going on sale soon)

We are still looking for high quality prizes that we can raffle for the Quiz night eg a weekend at a bach, an outing on a boat etc. Please see Renee or Anna if you can offer something.

Bottle tops

Help our school win \$1000 and keep waste out of landfill! (We won last time can we do it again?)

Did you know that bottle tops and container lids can no longer be recycled in your curbside bins?

But the good news is, they can still be recycled and our school is a collection point! Here are few tips:

- Separate plastic from metal
- Remove from ziplock/plastic bags before placing in the boxes
- Lids should be clean and dry
- YES: Flip-top/hinged caps, Screw caps, Milk bottle caps, Ice cream container lids, Yoghurt and dip lids, Supplement bottle lids, Household cleaning lids, Shampoo & cosmetic lids, Felt tip lids, Crown caps (bottle caps), Jar lids, Ring pull caps, Wire from sparkling drinks, Metal screw top caps, Aluminium lids, Wine lids, Food tin lids
- NO: pumps or triggers, coffee cup lids, coffee pods, glass

AND our school will win a \$1000 cash prize from Resource Recovery Devonport if we collect the most per capita. You can contact community@devonportrecycle.co.nz with any questions about the scheme.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

DEVONPORT COMMUNITY HOUSE'S

NEWCOMERS MEET UP

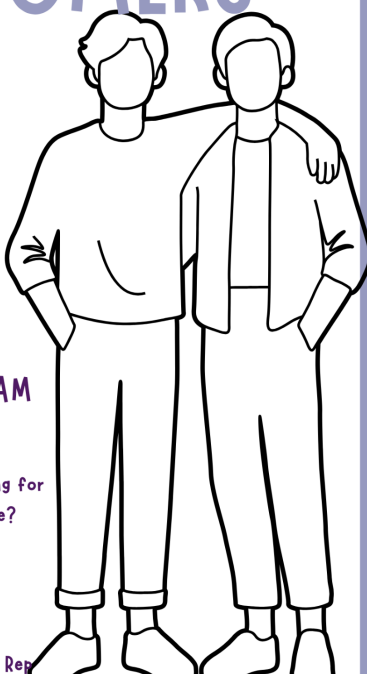
thursdays
9.30AM - 10.30AM

New to the community and looking for support or just a chat over coffee?

We offer:

- Tea & Coffee
- A warm, welcoming space
- Great conversation
- Onsite Citizen Advice Bureau Rep

need more details: call on 09 445 3068 OR email: rixt@devonportcomhouse.co.nz

Building A Better Future Together

AUGUST
FRIDAY 21 AT 6:30PM
2026

Rosmini College Auditorium
36 Dominion Street, Takapuna

Tickets \$110 per person
Early Bird \$100 (ends 7 Aug)

RSVP by 14 August via email:
admin@depaulhouse.org.nz

Bubbles upon arrival. Raffles, Live & Silent Auction on the night!

De Paul House
Housing and Family Support




Free live online Q&A with New Zealand Warriors players Leka Halasima and Jacob Laban.
Event Details Wednesday 5 August 6:15 pm – Log in and tech check
Leka Halasima & Jacob Laban

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm – Live Q&A with
Online

(link sent after registration) FREE ¹⁷ July
Registration Link: <https://fuelingyouthathletes.com/live>

TERM THREE 2026:
Tue 21 Jul to Thu 17 Sep

Creative Drama Classes

TheatreWorks, Recreation Drive, BIRKENHEAD

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DRAMA 1 Tuesdays 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. 7-9 yrs

DRAMA 2 Wednesdays 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. 10-13 yrs

DRAMA 3 Thursdays 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. 14-18 yrs

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info@thespianage.co.nz




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TERM 3 PROGRAMMES

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Speech & Drama — build confidence, creativity, performance, and communication skills

Public Speaking — structure ideas, speak with impact, and present with confidence

Debate — think critically, argue persuasively, and respond confidently



OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Interactive, high-energy holiday programmes:

- Speech & Drama
- Public Speaking & Debate
- Leadership
- Theatre sports
- Acting

Holiday coaching that builds important skills for life:

- Speak with confidence
- Build creativity & imagination
- Debate with confidence
- Deliver powerful speeches
- Perform with presence



What tamariki need most in the first weeks back

The start of a new term can bring a mix of excitement and nerves. For many tamariki, the biggest question they're carrying is:



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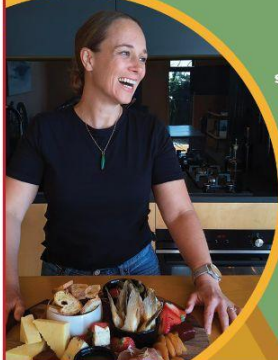
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