

# Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 11, 2026



## Principal's Messages

### Celebrating Matariki

Our school has enjoyed a fantastic week celebrating Matariki through a range of activities that brought students and staff together to reflect, learn and celebrate this special time of year. From our Matariki Assembly to classroom learning and lunchtime activities, it was wonderful to see so many students embracing the significance of Matariki and getting involved.

A very special thank you to Whaea Laura Anderson for leading and coordinating the week's celebrations. Thank you also to our Maaori student leaders, who played an important role throughout the week.

Finally, thank you to our staff for supporting the many activities and creating rich learning opportunities in their classrooms.

Matariki has been a wonderful way to finish the term and a chance for us all to reflect on the past, celebrate the present and look forward to the future together.

### Netball Fun Day

On Monday, our annual Netball Fun Day brought the school together for a fantastic day of fun, teamwork and friendly competition, while raising funds to support our students heading to the AIMS Games in Tauranga this September. It was great to see every learning community out on the courts, with students enjoying the chance to play alongside their friends and classmates.

The positive sportsmanship, encouragement and laughter made it a fantastic day for everyone involved. A big thank you to the many whaanau who came along to support the day and to those who generously gave their time to umpire. Your support helped make the event such a success.

A special thank you to Whaea Jody, our Lead Sports Teacher, Ann-Maree, our Sports Coordinator, Whaea Stacey and all the staff who coached, umpired and supported throughout the day. As the name suggests, it was all about having fun, and our students certainly did.



### HEART Values lessons

Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners! 🎉

**Batten** - Diederik Combrink

**Hillary** - Ollie Forbes-Roubos

**Lomu** - Tevita Langi

**Rutherford** - Diyon Abeysinghe

**Sheppard** - Mika Ramoni

**Te Puea** - Armani Howard-Matene

Have a safe and happy winter break.

Term 3 is super busy so rest up ready to go go go.



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What's on next term?

## Franklin Speech Competition

This week Lachlan Kimber and Emily Cooper represented Pukekohe Intermediate at the Year 7 & 8 Franklin Speech Competition.

They both rose above their nerves to speak with confidence and poise and should be very proud of themselves.

Special mention to Emily, who placed 2nd overall.

-Whaea Laura Padayachee, Lead English Teacher



## Exploring Human Anatomy

This term, students have been learning about human anatomy through a range of hands-on activities. They explored the major body systems, discovered how organs work together, and gained a better understanding of how the human body functions.

It has been great to see students actively engaged, asking questions, and making connections to everyday life.

Thank you Matua Paul for planning this unit of work.



## STARS Player Inspires AIMS Netball Team

A big thank you to STARS player Abbie Leger for joining our AIMS netball team at training this week.

The girls loved the opportunity to learn from a high-performance athlete, and your tips, encouragement, and expertise were greatly appreciated.

Thank you for taking the time to inspire and support our players.

-Whaea Jody, Year 8 Dean



## EPro8 in-school competition

Congratulations to all students who took part in this year's EPro8 in-school challenge. Students worked in teams to solve engineering and problem-solving challenges, demonstrating creativity, teamwork and resilience. Thank you to Ms Wolfe for organising this competition.

### First Place: Not the NotBox

Lewis Kirk - Hudson Bennison - Lachlan Kimber - Kade Foote

### Second Place: The Cranky-Crew

Keeva Drury - Emily Robertson - Zara Cooksley - Zahra Somani

## Attendance

Thank you to our whaanau for your ongoing support in ensuring your child attends school every day they are well enough to do so.

This Friday, we look forward to recognising students at our Attendance Assemblies. We are pleased to share that 532 students have achieved 90% attendance or above this term. This is a significant achievement and reflects the combined efforts of our students, whaanau and staff. Regular attendance is one of the most important factors in student success, and we appreciate the role our whaanau play in making this possible.

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## Incredible Science Trip

On Tuesday 30 June, a group of our students travelled by train to the University of Auckland to attend the Incredible Science Day. The event was packed with interactive learning experiences designed to inspire curiosity and foster a love of science.

Students explored a wide range of scientific fields, including Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Exercise Science, and Marine Science. They particularly enjoyed the exciting chemistry presentation, which showcased some of the fascinating reactions and concepts that make science so engaging.

The day provided a wonderful opportunity for students to experience the diversity of science, engage with real scientists, and discover how science helps us understand the world around us. We thank the University of Auckland for offering such an inspirational and memorable day for our students.

-Whaea Jody, Science Teacher



## Author visits Rutherford

This week Rutherford Learning Community was lucky to have a visit from Sonya Wilson, author of our term 2 novel study Spark Hunter. Sonya spent some time with the whole Learning Community talking about where writers find their good ideas from.

Encouraging students to use a combination of experience, imagination and research to come up with ideas to write about. There was also a Q & A opportunity where the students asked thoughtful questions about Spark Hunter and her journey as a writer.

Afterwards, a lucky group of Rutherford students got to have a writing workshop with Sonya. Focusing on how we can develop interesting characters in our writing.

We're very grateful to have had the opportunity to hear from an author about the importance of keeping reading and writing alive.

-Whaea Laura Padayachee, Lead English Teacher



# Community Messages



**PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE JAPAN 2027**

## JOLLY SOLE SOCKS FUNDRAISER

Help our students get to Japan in 2027!

- ONLY \$10 PER PAIR**
- VARIOUS SIZES AVAILABLE
- FUN DESIGNS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS
- PERFECT FOR GIFTS, SCHOOL, WORK OR EVERYDAY WEAR

**WHY BUY JOLLY SOLE SOCKS?**

- COMFORTABLE AND DURABLE
- BRIGHT AND UNIQUE DESIGNS
- AFFORDABLE AND PRACTICAL
- SUPPORTS OUR STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN AN UNFORGETTABLE CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN JAPAN

Thank you for your support!  
Every pair purchased helps our students experience Japanese culture, language, history, and daily life firsthand.

Arigato Gozaimasu!

**\$10 PER PAIR | VARIOUS SIZES AVAILABLE**

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE JAPAN 2027 GROUP

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## SAMOSA FUNDRAISER!

SUPPORT OUR JOURNEY TO JAPAN 2027!

**\$25 FOR A BAG OF 10 SAMOSAS**

**CHOOSE YOUR FLAVOUR!**

- VEGETABLE SAMOSAS**  
A blend of potatoes, mixed vegetables, and delicate spices in a crispy pastry shell, perfect for vegetarians and veggie enthusiasts.
- LAMB SAMOSAS**  
Tender lamb mince, potatoes, mixed vegetables, expertly seasoned, and wrapped in golden pastry—a hearty choice for discerning palates.
- CHICKEN SAMOSAS**  
Chicken mince, mixed vegetables, potatoes, and spices encased in a crispy shell, a timeless favorite.
- BUTTER CHICKEN SAMOSAS**  
Chicken mince with potatoes, infused with butter chicken flavors and encased in a crispy pastry, a fusion that promises an unforgettable taste experience.

HELP US CREATE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A LIFETIME!

EVERY SAMOSA SOLD GETS US ONE STEP CLOSER TO JAPAN!

ORDERS NEEDED BY **TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**

**ORDER YOURS TODAY!**  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE'S JAPAN 2027 TRIP  
EXPERIENCE • LEARN • GROW

**PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE JAPAN 2027 TRIP FUNDRAISER!**

## SELLING TOILET PAPER

**48 ROLLS**  
(EQUIVALENT TO 96 STANDARD ROLLS)

- 2 PLY, 400 SHEETS PER ROLL
- SUSTAINABLY SOURCED
- UNWRAPPED
- PLASTIC PACKAGING FREE – RIGHT DOWN TO PAPER TAPE TO SEAL THE BOX.

**\$55 PER BOX**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR ADVENTURE!

## Seasons For Growth

A grief, loss and change programme for children dealing with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death, other family changes. Our next after school programme starts in Term 3. It is held in Pukekohe and runs once a week over 8 weeks. An optional Parent Programme also runs at the same time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or email [seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz](mailto:seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz). For more info, visit [www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons](http://www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons)

# Community Messages



## TRAIN FOR LIFE JIU JITSU

**TERM 3**  
20th July - 25th September

Confidence & Resilience
Fun & Fitness
Learn Self-Defence Skills

**KIDS JIU JITSU CLASSES**

Monday 4:00pm | 5:00pm | 6:00pm  
 Wednesday 4:00pm | 5:00pm | 6:00pm  
 Friday 4:00pm | 5:00pm (Advanced Girls)

\*times vary with age groups

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**PRICE**  
**\$150** (1x session a week for the term)

\*open on public holidays

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**ADULTS JIU JITSU**

Women's Classes Mon & Wed 7:00pm - 8:30pm  
 Men's Classes Tue & Thu 7:00pm - 8:30pm

**\$15 per adult per class** **Suitable for Beginners**

028 8517 9105
trainforlifefitness.org
MILL ROAD, BOMBAY

Franklin Indian Cultural Club

LITTLE PICASSO  
ART & CRAFT CLASS

**FRANKLIN INDIAN CULTURAL CLUB AND LITTLE PICASSO PRESENT**

## FREE ART CLASS

### COME TRY BHANGRA AND ART

**WHEN:** July 25th, 2026  
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**WHERE:** Pukekohe Intermediate School

**FREE ENTRY - REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

Click the link below to register and come and meet the team of FICC and LITTLE PICASSO

[Registration Link Here]

For more information, call Arsh on 0211641674 and Divya 0210 500 403

Unleash Creativity!  
Build Confidence!  
Have Fun!

# LITTLE PICASSO'S

## IN PUKEKOHE

*Every child is an artist!*  
Let's create, explore & imagine together!

**STARTING**  
**21ST JULY**

**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**4:00 - 5:00 PM**

**AGE GROUP**  
**6 - 14 YEARS**

**PRICING**

**\$25**  
PER SESSION  
OR  
**\$200**  
FOR 9 SESSIONS

**BEST VALUE!**

Come n have FUN!

**ALL MATERIALS INCLUDED!**

PAINTING & DRAWING

FUN ART TECHNIQUES

CREATIVE EXPRESSION

FRIENDLY & SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE! REGISTER NOW!**

CALL OR MESSAGE FOR BOOKINGS ON **0210500403**

EMAIL AT [khannadivya1406@gmail.com](mailto:khannadivya1406@gmail.com)

## YOUNG AT ART

**CHILDREN'S WINTER HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS**

**PUKEKOHE**

**BOOK NOW! PLACES LIMITED**

SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION & BOOKINGS

WWW.YOUNGATART.CO.NZ

Have a  
**SAFE** and  
**HAPPY**  
winter break!

ENJOY THE COOL DAYS,  
COSY NIGHTS AND TIME  
WITH THE PEOPLE WHO  
**MATTER MOST.**

TERM 3 IS  
**SUPER BUSY**

so rest up ready to

**GO GO GO**  
for Term 3!

YOU'VE  
GOT  
THIS!



Take time  
to rest



Do the things  
you enjoy



Get outside  
and explore  
Aotearoa



Read, learn,  
and be curious



Look after  
yourself and  
each other

KIA PONO ♥ KIA MANAAKI ♥ KIA ĀHEI ♥ KA RANGATIRA ♥ KIA KOTAHI

Whāia ngā Taumata – Aim High