

Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 1 Week 3, 2026



Principal's Messages

Our HUB classes are now in full swing, with students already enjoying their second lesson of the year.

It has been fantastic to see the energy, focus, and enthusiasm our learners are bringing as they settle back into routines and reconnect with their HUB learning.

Our students will take part in specialist HUB lessons once a week, giving them opportunities to extend their learning, explore new interests, and develop new skills in engaging, hands-on ways.

Year 7 HUB classes include:

- Digital Technology
- Performing Arts
- Visual Arts

Year 8 HUB classes include:

- Food Technology
- Science
- STEAM

We are also delighted to welcome back our visiting schools for another year of learning together. It has been great to see students and staff from Buckland School, KingsGate School, and Pukekohe North School returning to our kura.

We are especially pleased to extend a warm welcome to Waiiau Pa School, who have joined our HUB programme for the first time this year.

The HUB programme is a real strength of our kura, allowing students to learn from our specialist teachers, whose expertise, passion, and creativity bring these subjects to life. Through these programmes, students are developing practical skills, confidence, and a love of learning that reflects the depth and quality of teaching across our school.

We look forward to seeing the growth, creativity, and achievements that will come from our HUB learning throughout the year.



HEART Values lessons

Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners! 🎉

Batten - Jason Hermitte

Hillary - Mason Ryan

Lomu - SD

Rutherford - Ryan Lum

Sheppard - Flynn O'Donnell

Te Paea - Reece Potini

HEART Values Lesson: Focus value is



Kia pono

Before we post online - Is it Honest or Empathetic? Does it ... Aim High show Respect/ Responsibility or Teamwork?



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Immunisation talks

On Tuesday, our community nurses visited our kura to deliver the annual immunisation talks to students in their year groups, providing clear, age-appropriate information and an opportunity for questions.

Immunisation information and consent forms will be sent home this week. Please complete and return all forms by Tuesday 17 February, regardless of the decision made.

A Learning Community competition will be held, with the Learning Community returning the highest percentage of forms announced as the winner.



Smart Watches

A reminder to whaanau and students that smart watches are not permitted at school. This includes personal devices that can send or receive messages, make calls, take photos, or connect to mobile data.

If a student brings a smart watch to school, it must be removed and stored in the classroom cupboard for the day. Students using smart watches without permission on school grounds will have the device confiscated and sent to the Student Centre safe, where it can be collected by whaanau from the school office.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a safe, focused learning environment for all students.

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Lockdown Practice

On Wednesday, our kura held a scheduled lockdown practice with staff and students to fine-tune our procedures and ensure everyone knows what to do in an emergency.

Students and staff responded calmly, allowing us to check our systems and communication. Any learnings will be used to further strengthen our emergency procedures.



ENVIRO Challenge

Our ENVIRO Challenge is a hands-on way for all students and staff to be true kaitiaki of our kura.

Every small action counts, and together we can make a big difference.

Each Learning Community can earn points by taking care of:

- Recycling – using the correct bins and keeping recycling clean
- Classroom areas – tidy, cared for, and ready for learning

Learning Community	Recycling	LC Area (windows,tvs,lights, Doors & locks)	LC Rubbish (Designated Area)	Classroom Bins
Batten	4	1	1	1
Hillary	4	1		
Lomu	4	1	1	1
Parkside	1	1		
Rutherford	2	1		
Sheppard	4	1	1	
Te Puea	4			1

What's on next week?

Term 1 Week 4

Monday

- Lomu HUB (AM)
- Sheppard HUB (PM)

Tuesday

- Rutherford HUB (AM)
- Batten HUB (PM)

Wednesday

- Outside Schools HUB
 - Pukekohe North School
- Year 7 Assembly P5&6

Thursday

- Te Puea HUB (AM)
- Hillary HUB (PM)

Friday

- LC Colour Day

- Learning Community spaces – shared areas respected and looked after
- LC rubbish areas – organised, clean, and used correctly

Our caretaking checks will happen daily, and points will add up across the term.

Winning Learning Communities will be announced each week and the overall winners at the end of each term, so bring your best teamwork, pride, and kaitiakitanga.

Teaching and Learning

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New Zealand Curriculum Update

As Deputy Principal - Teaching and Learning, one of my major portfolios is leading teaching and learning across our kura. As we begin a new year I think it is critical that I update you as whanau about the many changes our sector has faced towards the end of term 4 last year.

The NZ Curriculum - Mātaiaho is our new curriculum document that guides what we teach.

Additionally we have a very new Maths and English Curriculum (October 2025). As a school we are well on track with implementing most of the changes for the new Maths & Statistics Curriculum and will begin unpacking the new English Curriculum with staff this year.

Before students started for the school year we held two Professional Learning Days with all teaching staff which included upskilling in these new guiding documents.

In particular we looked at the new Algebra content within the Maths curriculum and the sequence of content from year 6,7 and 8. Lots of vocabulary that staff have to be very familiar with when teaching algebra including algebraic notation, expression, variable, expanded form, formulae, equation, substitution, coefficient, factorising, like terms, constant and coordinate plane.

During these two days we also looked at components of the new English curriculum. Each year students in year 7 and year 8 are expected to engage in;

- At least one novel text (we expect two novels at our school) by authors representative of New Zealand's rich bicultural (both Māori and non Māori) and multicultural literary heritage.
- Texts from around the world and from popular youth / adolescent authors / contexts.

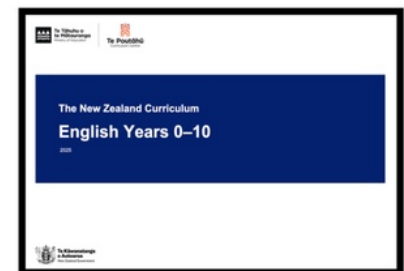
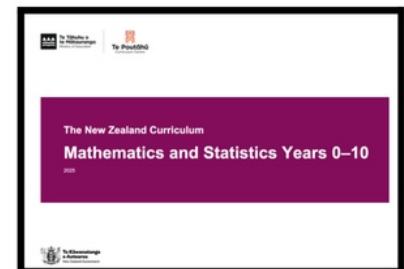
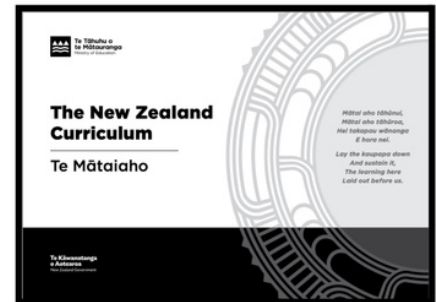
Staff have been excited to select specific shared class novels for 2026 with intent and design to align with this new English curriculum content .

We thank our lead teacher of Maths Lorraine Devaney and Lead Teacher of English Laura Padayachee for their professional leadership in leading staff with new content.

In both the new Maths and English curriculum there is a shift towards a knowledge-rich curriculum. This is all about making sure students are taught the knowledge they need through well sequenced and coherent teaching and learning programmes, and that this content isn't left to chance.

The new curriculum reflects key characteristics of how people learn, based on what we know from latest research and the science of learning insights from education professionals.

At Pukekohe Intermediate School we are on track implementing the new curriculum by ensuring our staff are well supported to design learning that is engaging, relevant and with carefully sequenced content.





Administration



Batten Learning Community



Caretakers/ Kaitiaki



Learning Assistants



Learning Support



Lomu Learning Community



Hillary Learning Community



Rutherford Learning Community



Sheppard Learning Community



Senior Management



The Hub - Specialist Staff



Te Puea Learning Community

Community Messages



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BOMBAY JUNIOR R.F.C.
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You can register through **Rugby Xplorer**

All Grades are available for registration

Year 1 & Year 2 Rippa Rugby - Saturday Mornings
Year 3 - Year 8 Tackle Rugby - Friday Nights & Saturday Mornings
Year 11 - Year 12 Girls Rippa Rugby - Wednesday Nights

Weigh & Pay nights (4:30pm-6pm)
10th & 12th February, 16th & 18th February
24th & 26th February

All children must attend a Weigh & Pay evening and have had their fees paid to be confirmed into a team.

Early bird fees (paid before or at Muster):
\$90 - first child
\$50 - each additional child within the household

Fees paid after Muster will incur an additional \$50 late payment fee per household.

Fees can be paid at the Weigh & Pay nights or at Muster by eftpos or bank transfer.

FRANKLIN SQUASH CLUBS

JUNIOR TRAINING!

TERM 1 LESSONS 9 FEB - 30 MAR
ON ALL MONDAYS DURING THE TERM
EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
GEAR PROVIDED AT THE CLUB
2 FREE TRIAL SESSIONS
\$100 FOR THE YEAR
CONTACT US TO JOIN - CAN START MID TERM
MARK - 027-478-5021
OR EMAIL ADMIN@FRANKLINSQUASH.ORG.NZ

CLASSES	TIME (MONDAY)
GROUP 1	4.00 - 4.55PM
GROUP 2	4.55 - 5.50PM
GROUP 3	5.50 - 6.45PM

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70TH ANNIVERSARY 1956-2026

PUKEKOHE RUGBY Est 1956

U5 - U13 BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME

Registration Dates:
Monday 16th Feb 5.00pm - 6.30pm
Wednesday 18th Feb 5.00pm - 6.30pm
Tuesday 24th Feb 5.00pm - 6.30pm
Thursday 26th Feb 5.00pm - 6.30pm

Junior Rugby is FREE this year
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2026 Orienteering -Sprint series

The sprint series is an orienteering event run after school with rolling starts from 4pm.



February
Monday 16th Papakura High
Monday 23rd Pukekohe High

March
Monday 2nd Papatoetoe High
Monday 9th Strathallan AGC
Monday 16th Rosehill College
Monday 23rd Wesley College
Sunday 29th March Sprint finals Top ten qualify venue to be advised.

These are stand-alone events - you can choose to do all or just one or 2. There is no cost to do them.
Parents/caregivers are responsible for taking their child to and from events.

Please email Whaea Ann-maree what events you choose to go in, so I can enter you in.
a_woods@pukekoheint.school.nz

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- Girls Rippa Rugby: Year 1-12
- U17 Girls Contact Team

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- Call us directly

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Patumahoe Junior Rugby Football Club