

Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 3, 2025



Principal's Messages



Diwali

Our school was proud to take part in the Pukekohe Indian Association Diwali Festival for the first time this year. A group of students, supported by Vicki, helped represent our kura on stage — a wonderful opportunity to connect with our wider community and celebrate the spirit of Diwali together.

Back at school, the celebrations continued on Tuesday, with many staff and students dressing in bright, festive colours to acknowledge Diwali. The joy and warmth shared across classrooms reflected the true essence of the festival — light, unity, and new beginnings.

Ngā mihi nui to everyone who joined in. Your participation highlighted the diversity and inclusiveness that make our kura such a special place to learn and belong.

Kapa Haka

Last Friday, we were proud to host kapa haka roopuu from our contributing schools for the very first time. This special hui gave visiting taura the opportunity to experience a live performance by our Pukekohe Intermediate kapa haka, take part in a Q&A session about kapa haka at our kura, and share kai together. It was a time filled with whakawhanaungatanga — building connections, sharing stories, and celebrating te ao Māori through waiata and haka.

This event marks the beginning of what we hope will become an annual tradition and another meaningful form of transition for students enrolling at our kura.

A huge mihi to Matua Antonio and Whaea Iwa for dressing and preparing our students so beautifully for the occasion. Your guidance, aroha, and mahi behind the scenes ensured our kapa stood proudly and represented our kura with mana. You can view our kapa haka performing during this event on our school website.



HEART Value Winners

Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners! 🎉

Batten - Arahia Edmonds

Hillary - Onaara Amira

Lomu - Sophia Muir

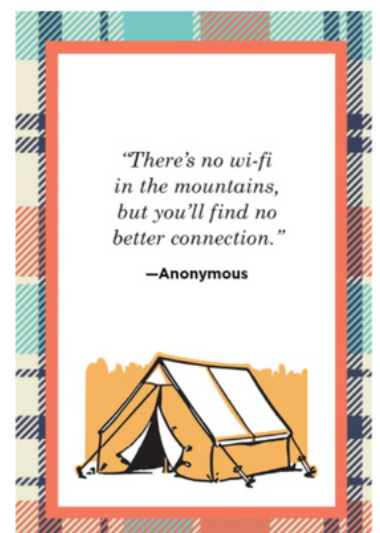
Rutherford - Junior Dean

Sheppard - Kingsley Harding

Te Paea - Miria Walker

Our PB4L lesson this week is:

At camp, we don't just have fun — we grow our HEART. ❤️ Together, we'll make memories that show who we are.



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Counties Manuaku Zone Volleyball

Up to Bruce Pulman Arena for the Zone Volleyball Tournament. This sport is definitely growing more and more each year.

We took a boys and girls team up. The boys enjoyed the day, enjoyed learning a new sport for them and got better as the day went on.

The girls played really well and just missed out on getting 2nd in pool play by a whisker. They finished off getting 5th place only losing twice out of 6 games.

Big thank you to Whaea Jilly and Matua Josh for helping select and coach the teams, and Matua David for coaching on the day.

-Whaea Ann-Maree, Sports Coordinator

Year 8 Camp Reminders

A reminder that the Year 8 Camp gear list has been emailed — please check your inbox and pack accordingly.

Key details:

- Arrival: Students must arrive at school no later than 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday.
- Entry: Please enter via Gate 3.
- Gear: Students should walk to their assigned classes with all their camp gear.
- Medication: All medication must be clearly labelled and handed to Whaea Stacey in the Management Centre by Tuesday afternoon.
- Camp activity: We still require 1.5L Coke bottles for one of our camp activities. Please bring one to school over the next few days.

We are looking forward to a fantastic camp experience.



Pukekohe High School Enrolment

Friendly Reminder - Staff from Pukekohe High School will be available in our Board Room on Wednesday afternoons for the next two weeks, from 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Or alternatively, click on the [link](#) to enrol online.

They are here to assist with Year 9 enrolments. If you have any questions or would like support with the enrolment process, please feel free to stop by during these times.

What's on next week?

Term 4 Week 4

(Monday 27th - Friday 31st October)

Monday

LABOUR DAY - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday

Outside School HUB

- Pukekohe North School

Wednesday

Y8 camp

Thursday

Y8 camp

Friday

Y8 camp

Last day of the year

Our final day for 2025 will be Friday, 12 December.

Please note that school will finish early at 12:30 p.m. on this day.

ENVIRO Challenge

Thank you all for your ongoing commitment to protecting our environment.

Well done to **Batten** for your outstanding efforts this week!

Learning Community	Recycling	LC Area	Bonus
Batten	4	1	1
Hillary	4		
Lomu	3	1	
Parkside	1		
Rutherford	4	1	
Sheppard	4		
Te Puea	4	1	

Teaching and Learning

Maths

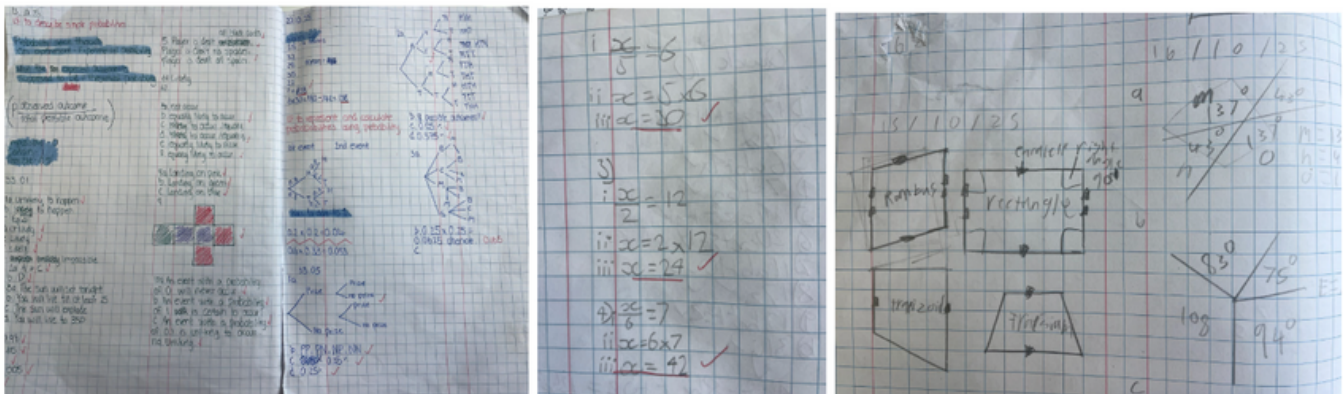
The first three weeks of Term 4 in maths have been all about revision.

Review / Reteach and Revise

- includes revisiting past content from T1-3 as maintenance.
- re-teaching content and concepts that students had difficulty with.



Students Ashani, Ben and Sam shared with me this week what they were revising in class. They told me that “learning it again” has been really good and they understand the mathematical concept better. Once the review of content is completed this week all classrooms will be moving onto Probability.



Probability Investigations

#Listing possible Outcomes

Eg. Find all possible combinations for 2 pizza bases and 4 toppings

#Interpreting chance and statistical situations

Eg. Recognise which of 5 statements of probability is marked on a number line

#Use areas on a grid to find a probability:

#Recognise the highest probability for three different outcomes

Question example: The chance of getting a hunting permit in three areas is:

- Northern Forest: 3 chances in 100
- Ōrongorongo: 1 chance in 20
- Wainuiomata: 2 chances in 50.

Which area offers the best chance of getting a permit?

Community Messages

CRIME STOPPERS
Aukati Takahi Ture

SNITCHING?
NAH.
IT'S CALLED
COURAGE.

Make a 100% anonymous report

Crimestoppers is a completely anonymous service where anyone can report information about suspicious or criminal activity. This could relate to things happening within your community, at home, or around the neighbourhood. It's an amazing resource that helps keep our communities safe.

School Community Officer, Senior Constable Lisa Ross

www.crimestoppers-nz.org



The DREAM HOUSE EDITION

WHĀNAU DAY
» 2025 «

COME AND BUILD THE FUTURE OF AOTEAROA IN THE DIGITAL ERA

Discover how you and your whānau can thrive in the fast-growing digital economy
Inspiring speakers sharing real stories of success
Hands-on technology experiences and learning opportunities
Career pathways and education stalls
A vibrant showcase of innovation
Enjoy delicious **free kai** and performances from South Auckland's finest talent
Prizes and laptop giveaways

SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER | 9:00AM - 4:00PM
DUE DROP EVENT CENTRE, MANUKAU

FREE community event all whānau welcome

In partnership with:   

Brought to you by:  

Tickets are now on sale for the Franklin Hospice Christmas Quiz Night. Bring your friends, family, and workmates for a night of fun, laughter, and friendly competition — all while supporting Franklin Hospice!

DATE : Friday 21st November
TIME : Doors open 6.30pm | Quiz starts 7pm
COST : \$30 per person | \$240 for a table of 8
WHERE: Navigation Homes Stadium - Franklin Road, Pukekohe

What's in store?

- A fun general knowledge quiz (with a special Christmas section)
- Auctions and raffles with fantastic prizes
- Cash bar and tasty snacks
- Prize for the best festive outfit – think ugly Christmas sweaters, Santa suits, or reindeer ears!

Whether you're after a unique staff Christmas outing or a great night out with friends, this event has it all.

To Purchase tickets:

Email: karena@franklinhospice.org.nz
Call: 09 238 9376

Come along, join the fun, dress festive, and support compassionate care in our community.

Franklin Local Board

JUNIOR SURF 2026

FOR KIDS AGES 6-13

STARTING SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2026 @ KARIOITAHİ BEACH 9AM-11AM

- Water Safety
- Surf Skills
- Rescuing Techniques
- First Aid
- Reading the conditions
- lots, lots more

REGISTER NOW






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KARIOITAHİ

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CREATE YOUR OWN CLIMATE-INSPIRED TIVAĒVAE

NOVEMBER 1ST, 11AM - 2PM

PAPAKURA MUSEUM

Join us for a hands-on workshop to design your own climate-inspired tivaevae while learning about flooding. Explore traditional Pacific textile art with a modern climate focus. All materials provided – come create, learn, and connect!

 **PAPAKURA MUSEUM**

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