

Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 3 Week 9, 2026



Tumuaki Update

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori

Ake, Ake, Ake – Mō ake tonu te reo. A Forever Language.

It has been a fantastic week celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo Māori across our kura.

We began on Monday with a 7.00 am flag raising and shared breakfast. A special thank you to Vanessa for coming in early to cook breakfast for everyone who joined us.

Throughout the week, our aakonga have enjoyed daily wero, kīwaha and whakataukī, Kī-o-rahi, te reo games, kapa haka, karaoke and the challenge of creating a new te reo Māori name for our tuckshop. We will finish the week by coming together for a special assembly on Friday.

Ngaa mihi nui ki a Whaea Laura Anderson for the considerable work she has put into coordinating the week and creating these opportunities for our aakonga. Thank you also to Matua Antonio Toetoe and Whaea Iwa Holmes for their leadership and support, and to our staff and student leaders who have helped make the week a success.

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Year Group Assemblies

This week we held our final Year 7 and Year 8 assemblies for the term, celebrating the achievements of our aakonga.

We acknowledged students who represented Pukekohe Intermediate in Mathex, Auckland Interzone Cross Country, Netball and Hockey, along with students who received Excellence Awards for their achievements this term.

These assemblies are a great opportunity to celebrate the hard work, commitment and perseverance of our students and the pride they show when representing our kura.

Excellence Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Excellence Certificates this term who have demonstrated outstanding achievement across a range of areas: Aishmeen Aish, Pascal Paiea, Elayna Te Anau and Bella Thys.



Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners!

Batten - Otis Smith

Hillary - Evie Moore

Lomu - Keeva Drury

Rutherford - Dante Nelson

Sheppard - Khate Poblete

Te Puea - Heirani Uri -Marshall

Hub Y7 - Maddie Kane



HEART Values lesson:

Fire safety is no joke, we want our firefighters to be available to our community when they are needed, not attending false alarms at the school.

Whakatauki: Kia mataara, kia rite, kia haumaruru Meaning: Be alert, be prepared, be safe.

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Papua New Guinea language week

Halo olgeta my name is Alba Travertz, and my Papua New Guinea name is Airegie. I come from a village known as Central in Papua New Guinea, and I am very proud of my culture. I come from a family of tradition that has embraced our country through performances, clothing, and speaking languages like pigeon and Motu.

My family inherits names that are passed down through generations, and I inherit Airegie from my deceased aunty. We are very big on celebrating our culture, and representing my country at Papua New Guinea Language Week is an honour. Thank you to all those who have helped me throughout the week. I have lots to learn, and maybe next year I'll write a whole book about my country!



ENVIRO Challenge

Our ENVIRO Challenge is heading into its final weeks, with the winning Learning Community announced on the last Friday of term.

Keep earning points by recycling, reducing rubbish, saving energy and collecting soft plastics.

Learning Community	Classroom Recycling (Max points 4)	LC Area (Energy Saving and Security) (Max Points 1)	LC Rubbish In Designated Area Every day (1 point per day, Max 5 per week)	Recycling Of Soft Plastic (Max Points 1)	Bonus Point (Max Points in all areas get 1 bonus point)
Batten	4	1			
Hillary	4				
Lomu	4	1	3		
Parkside	1	1			
Rutherford	4	1	2		
Sheppard	4	1	2		
Te Puea	4				



World Champs

While some Pukekohe Intermediate students were competing at AIMS Games last week, Mackenzie, Malcolm and I were representing New Zealand in Japan. We competed at the Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu World Championships in Tokyo, coming home with medals, world titles, amazing experiences and incredible memories. With more than 6,500 competitors, just making it to the World Championships was an achievement. We each competed in both Gi and No Gi, where every time we stepped onto the mat, it was win or be eliminated – there were no second chances.

Briannah: Gold medals in both Gi and No Gi, earning back-to-back World Championship titles. Mackenzie: Bronze medal in No Gi and a semi-finalist in Gi. Malcolm: Semi-finalist in both Gi and No Gi.
- Briannah, Mackenzie and Malcolm



Dungeons and Dragons

Each Thursday afternoon, our Dungeons and Dragons group meets with Matua Paul for an hour of adventure, creativity and fun. Students work together to create characters, solve challenges and explore imaginary worlds, developing teamwork and problem-solving skills along the way. Thank you to Matua Paul for giving his time each week to run this opportunity for our aakonga.

What's on next week?

Term 3 Week 10

Monday 21 - Friday 25 September

Monday

- Lomu HUB (AM)
- Sheppard HUB (PM)
- PHS enrolments 2pm

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

- Outside Schools HUB
 - Buckland School
 - Kingsgate School
- PHS Market Day

Thursday

- Te Puea HUB (AM)
- Hillary HUB (PM)
- Celebration of the Arts 5.30-7.00pm

Friday

- Outside Schools HUB
 - Pukekohe North School

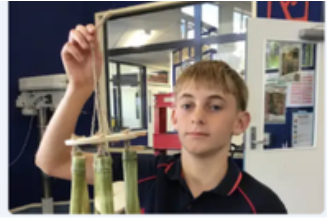
Teaching & Learning



Janine Fryer, Deputy Principal

Room 11 Wind Chimes

Last week while many staff were away at AIMS our specialist HUB staff were in classrooms. Whaea Toni from the multi materials room engaged the Room 11 learners with making wind chimes. Lots of new skills,



Literacy Circles

This term Lomu students have been developing their reading skills and understanding of text through the literacy circle framework.

Literacy Circles are small-group reading discussions where students explore and respond to a shared text, building their comprehension, critical thinking, confidence and ability to discuss ideas with others.

Students are in mixed groups working through the same shared novel. Teachers worked with each group to select a novel best suited to the interest of the students. Every student in the group has an important role which rotates each week. These include Director, Vocabulary Enricher, Connector, Character Captain, Artful Adventurer, Travel Tracer, Theme Hunter and Reflector. The students talked to be about really enjoying the different roles and that each week

When visiting the Lomu space I observed students with their specific group role all discussing the text and highly engaged. Students had an excellent understanding of the novel through thoughtful and detailed responses. Students were discussing the characters, themes and key events in the text with confidence. I was amazed by their insightful connections beyond the text.



Community Messages



Franklin Arts Festival Society
presents

Frankly Small

AN ART SHOW OF SMALL WORKS

**12 - 26
SEPTEMBER
2026**

Entry by Koha/Donation
FRANKLIN: THE CENTRE, Massey Ave, Pukekohe
www.franklinartsfestival.co.nz
f FranklinArtsFestival @ franklinartsfestival

PIA AND FICC
PRESENTS

PUKEKOHE

Diwali

LET'S CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS TOGETHER

SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2026
PIA EVENT CENTRE - 55 WARD STREET, PUKEKOHE
4PM - 9PM

FREE EVENT

SOCIAL MEDIA PARTNER
dnz.

FOOD STALLS | KIDS CRAFTS | LIVE DJ DANCE
PERFORMANCES | FASHION SHOW & LOTS OF GIVEAWAYS

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Arshdeep - 021 164 1674

STALLS
Anindita - +64 21 237 0600

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CAR WASH

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& SAUSAGE SIZZLE

SAT
19
SEPT

TIME
9-3

Groovit Studio
6 CROSBIE ROAD

KODAK · KURFEW · 21TWENTY

EVERY DOLLAR
HELPS SEND OUR
TEAMS TO AUSSIE

**\$40 CAR
\$15 UTE**

Support these teams heading to Gold Coast,
Australia, to compete in Upgrade Hip Hop Comp
EFTPOS AVAILABLE

JUNIOR TAG NATIONALS

Franklin

EST 2022

TAG TRIALS 2026

WANT TO PLAY TAG THIS SUMMER?

PUKEKOHE
BASED TEAM

OPEN TO
BOYS & GIRLS

ELIGIBLE PLAYERS
MUST BE BORN IN
2012, 2013,
2014

20
PLAYERS WILL BE
SELECTED

REGISTER NOW

PLAY TAG
BE PART OF
SOMETHING
BIGGER

TRIAL DATES AND DETAILS WILL BE RELEASED
UPON REGISTRATION.

Scan me!