

# Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 4, 2026



## Principal's Messages

This afternoon, our AIMS teams will be announced. This is always a very exciting time for our kura, and we would like to thank all students who participated in the trials held over this term and last term. The level of talent, commitment, and effort shown by our students has been outstanding. Unfortunately, not all students could be selected for the final teams, which is always a difficult part of the process. We encourage all students to continue striving, training, and taking up future opportunities, as being involved in sport is about growth, teamwork, and representing our school with pride. We are incredibly proud of every student who put themselves forward and gave the trials their best effort.

### Year 8 Assembly

On Wednesday, we held our first Year 8 assembly of the term, led by our student LC leaders, Leighton and Meela from the Rutherford Learning Community. During the assembly, we invited our guests Mr Saunders, Ms Kaur and the senior leaders. We shared key school messages and acknowledged the many students who have proudly represented our kura in sporting events this term.

We also celebrated student success through our HUB Excellence Awards and presented certificates for Touch Rugby and Football, recognising the commitment, teamwork, and pride shown by our students both on and off the field.



### Find your Field of Dreams

Our school has been generously donated a sports pack from the John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation containing rugby, netball, football, rugby league, basketball, and volleyball equipment.

These resources will be used across our school to support sports, PE, and fitness programmes.



### HEART Values lessons

Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners! 🎉

**Batten** - Lunar Robinson

**Hillary** - Alyssa Gomes

**Lomu** - Morgan Hayes

**Rutherford** - Meela Goulstone

**Sheppard** - Marcus Yeung

**Te Puea** - Ben Thompson



### HEART Values Lesson:

Week 4: Words have wings, so speak good things.



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What's on next week?

## William Pike Challenge

The Lomu and Sheppard William Pike students arrived at Wero and got ready for a day of action! We all gathered to do a safety briefing and there was a lot of information to remember. Although I was nervous at first, rafting down the rapids was exhilarating and was so much fun. Next was the high ropes. For this challenge I knew it would be pushing me outside my comfort zone. Getting to the top and doing the abseiling was my goal. As I climbed higher it got windier and more terrifying. I slowly made my way to the other side to the abseiling platform, I clipped myself in and leapt off and made my way to the bottom. I definitely stepped outside my comfort zone. The day was an amazing experience full of tricky challenges. - Keeva Drury



## Term 2 Week 5

### Monday

- Lomu HUB (AM)
- Sheppard HUB (PM)
- Year 7 Science Roadshow

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

- Outside Schools HUB
  - Buckland School
  - Kingsgate School
- Student Leadership Meetings 8:00am
- School Speech Finals
  - Year 7 11.00 am
  - Year 8 1.30 pm

### Thursday

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

### Friday

- Outside Schools HUB
  - Waiau Pa

## 2026 Term Dates

### Term 2

Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July

### Term 3

Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

### Term 4

Monday 12 October - Friday 11 December

## Auckland Champs Orienteering

Beautiful day for Orienteering today. Whaea Jody and myself took 18 students up to Western Springs Park by the zoo to represent Counties zone group for Orienteering on Wednesday. A challenging course for some but all came back with a new appreciation for the sport.

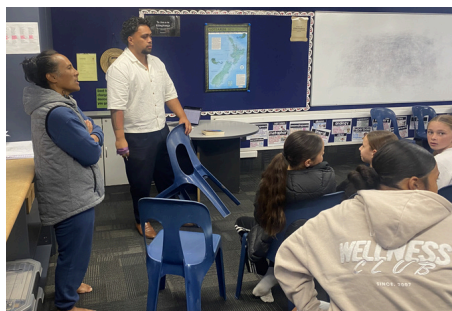
-Whaea Anne-Maree, Sports Coordinator



## Bilingual Maaori Hui

Thank you to our whaanau who attended the hui for our Bilingual Maaori classes in Te Paea Learning Community.

Our students, alongside their kaiako Matua Antonio and Whaea Iwa, shared their learning journey, including their growth in te reo Maaori and their understanding of tikanga Maaori.



## ENVIRO Challenge

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

Learning Community	Recycling	LC Area (Windows, TVs, Lights, Doors & locks)	LC Rubbish (Designate dArea)	Classroom Bins	Bonus Point
Batten	4	1	1	1	
Hillary	4	1	1	1	
Lomu	4	1	1	1	
Parkside	1				
Rutherford	4	1		1	
Sheppard	4	1	1	1	
Te Paea	4	1	1	1	

# Teaching and Learning



## SMART Assessment

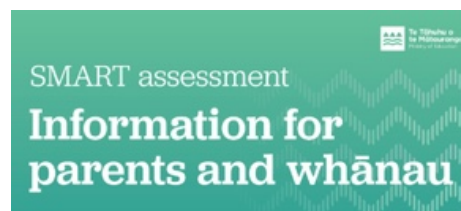
SMART (Student Monitoring, Assessment and Reporting Tool) is a new online assessment tool that schools have started using this term across the nation.

The assessment will give teachers clear, consistent information about how your child is progressing in reading, writing and maths.

SMART is not a high-stakes test. It's more of a learning check-in, helping teachers understand what each student knows, what they can do and what they need next.

Most students this week have sat two of the assessments with the final assessment happening in classrooms next week.

SMART results are intended to be considered alongside other high-quality evidence, including classroom observations, learning conversations, and samples of student work.



Progress descriptor	Emerging	Developing	Consolidating	Proficient	Exceeding
Mid-year reporting	Not yet on track to meet expectations		On track to meet expectations		
End of year reporting	Has not yet met expectations			Has met expectations	

Staff will be making a judgement as part of the upcoming written mid year report whether your child is “on track” or “not on track” for the end of year 7 / 8 English and Maths curriculum. This will then be followed up with formal parent / teacher interviews

- Friday 19 June - **Mid-Year Reports** - sent to the parent email address on our records.
- Monday 22 & Tuesday 23 June - Follow-up **parent/teacher interviews**.

## Auckland Writers Festival

This week we had 50 students attending the Auckland Writers Festival. Students travelled into Aotea Square right into the heart of the city at Kiri Te Kanawa Theatre.

Students were selected with a rich literacy strength across the school. Laura Padayachee, lead teacher of English, along with Sharon Boon, Room 14 classroom teacher, enjoyed taking the group. Students got to hear from four authors about their new books which have been launched as part of the festival. What a fabulous experience for our students.



**INTERMEDIATE SESSIONS: YEARS 7-8**  
Tuesday 12 May | Tūrii 12 Mei

**THE PORTAL TO ADVENTURE**  
David A. Robertson

Robertson's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, The Portal to Adventure, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery. Robertson's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, The Portal to Adventure, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery.

**SPINNING TALES**  
Kenneth Chagnon

Chagnon's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, Spinning Tales, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery. Chagnon's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, Spinning Tales, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery.

**WORLDBUILDING: AN EXPLORER'S GUIDE**  
Claire Mabey

Mabey's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, Worldbuilding: An Explorer's Guide, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery. Mabey's books are full of adventure and exciting stories. The newest book, Worldbuilding: An Explorer's Guide, is a thrilling journey into a world of magic and mystery.

**TIMELSS TEACHINGS**  
Dr Hissam Eider

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## Intermediate School



AIM HIGH  
Whaia Nga Taumata

### Mid Year Report follow up Term 2 PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Wednesday 29 April

Dear Whānau, Parents and Caregivers

We are pleased to provide another opportunity to meet with your child's classroom teacher this term. The interviews are being held on the following days:

**Monday 22 June 2:00 - 7:00 pm & Tuesday 23 June 2:00 - 5:30 pm**

Please note that the **school will be finishing early at 2:00 pm on both days** to ensure that every parent has one of the 30 slots that have been made available by every classroom teacher.

The purpose of the Term 2 parent/teacher face to face interview is to:

- Discuss and clarify any details in the written Mid Year Report.
- Discuss any areas of concern.
- Discuss suggestions for how you can help at home with Reading, Writing and Maths.

We have an online booking system available. To make a booking, go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) enter the code **q42mv** and follow the instructions

Specialist staff will have their rooms open for you to celebrate the learning and progress your child has made in Science, Technology and The Arts curriculum during Term 2. Additionally, the learning support staff will also be onsite for you to discuss specific learning interventions.

We consider this hui a priority for you to attend to support your child's learning. As a school, we value 100% attendance at our parent/teacher interviews. However, the classroom teacher can make a phone call home if this is better suited to the family situation. Please make direct contact with your classroom teacher for this to happen.

Ngā mihi

Janine Fryer  
Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning

# Community Messages




## Wesley College

### Discover Our College Community

Wesley College is a small co-educational, state integrated Methodist secondary school in Paerata with a free bus network serving the south Auckland area including Waiuku.

Founded in 1844, we have a proud history of excellence in education which is grounded in our strong Christian values.

We warmly invite prospective students and whaanau to visit our campus and experience the unique spirit of our College.

#### Upcoming Opportunities to Visit

**Open Morning**  
 ▶ Thursday 14th May (9.30 - 12.30)

**College Tours (9.30 - 10.30)**  
 ▶ Thursday 30th April  
 ▶ Thursday 28th May  
 ▶ Tuesday 9th June  
 ▶ Thursday 25th June

For more information and to register, please visit our website [www.wesley.school.nz](http://www.wesley.school.nz) or contact [admin@wesley.school.nz](mailto:admin@wesley.school.nz).

**We look forward to welcoming you!**  
 (Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#))

**Family | Respect | Responsibility | Excellence**

FIDE - Whakapono - by faith  
 LITTERIS - Ako - by learning  
 LABORE - Puku Mahi - by hard work

## TUAKAU DISTRICTS SEA SCOUTS PRESENTS

# JAMBOREE FUNDRAISER

### OUTDOOR FAIR & LIVE CONCERT

139 Andrews Road, Onewhero

**SATURDAY 23 MAY 2026**

**FROM 12:00PM**  
**DAYTIME FAIR**  
**FREE ENTRY**  
(Family activities + food stalls)

**FROM 3:00PM**  
**LIVE CONCERT**  
**\$20 PER ADULT**  
(Dave Alley & Friends)  
**UNDER 16 FREE!**

#### DAYTIME FAIR FROM 12:00PM

- Pony rides
- Face painting
- Closest to the Pin golf challenge
- Cake baking auction
- Workshops - flax flowers & kawakawa balm
- Sack races, tug of war & more

**PLUS:**

- Raffles
- Silent auctions
- Local performances from Tuakau Youth Centre, Le Aute Dance Academy and The Rhythm Room (Pukekawa Dance)

#### LIVE CONCERT FROM 3:00PM

### DAVE ALLEY & FRIENDS

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#### WHY WE ARE FUNDRAISING

Helping to send 13 local children from Tuakau Sea Scouts to the NZ Scout Jamboree

Jamboree is a 10-day camp: 28 Dec 2026 - 7 Jan 2027 (Mystery Creek, Hamilton)

All proceeds from the day will go towards sending our Scouts to Jamboree!

#### WHAT TO BRING

Picnic blankets / chairs

Cash or EFTPOS

#### WET WEATHER PLAN

If it rains the event will be held at Onewhero Area School (25 Hall Road, Onewhero).

We will update any change in venue on the Tuakau Districts Sea Scouts Facebook page on the morning of the event.

#### TICKETS & INFO

Adonia: 021 083 61739  
 Cynthia: 027 683 2755

Email: [sec.tdss@gmail.com](mailto:sec.tdss@gmail.com)

#### IMPORTANT INFO

A delicious variety of food & drink will be available to purchase from stalls/vendors.

No dogs allowed

**➤ We look forward to seeing you! ➤**

# OPEN EVENING

## Wednesday 10 June | 4 - 6pm



- Attend our Principal's address (4.00pm and again at 5.00pm)
- Take a tour of the school
- Get a taster of our curriculum offerings
- Speak with our teachers and students
- Enrol your student for 2027 - bookings required for interviews

**PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL**

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