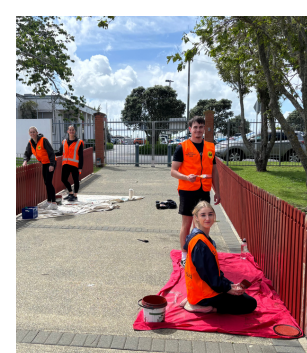


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PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 4, 2025



Principal's Messages

Year 8 Camp – Tōtara Springs, Matamata

From Wednesday to Friday this week, our Year 8 students, staff, and a dedicated group of whaanau attended camp at Tōtara Springs in Matamata. From the moment they arrived, our students displayed outstanding behaviour and a willingness to take on every challenge that came their way.

Staff were incredibly impressed by the way our students supported one another, showing our HEART values in action — honesty, empathy, aim high, respect, and teamwork.

A special mihi and thank you to Whaea Jody and Whaea Stacey, whose hard work and careful organisation made this camp such a success. The planning, preparation, and attention to detail that went into every aspect of the week ensured a smooth, fun, and memorable experience for everyone involved. It was a wonderful few days filled with laughter, courage, and connection.

To our Year 8s — you represented our kura with pride and mana.

Bayleys Pukekohe Working B – Community in Action

This Wednesday, we were fortunate to welcome a team of 10 volunteers from Bayleys Pukekohe, who generously gave their time to support our school and our caretaking team through a community working bee.

Armed with brushes, rollers, spades and plenty of enthusiasm, the Bayleys team got stuck into a range of projects around our kura — including painting the exterior walls outside Sheppard Learning Community in preparation for our upcoming mural, tidying the memorial and school gardens, and refreshing the Hub fenceline. Their teamwork, attention to detail, and positive energy made a visible difference to our school environment.

The results speak for themselves — our spaces are looking brighter, cleaner, and ready for the next stage of improvement. The staff and students were incredibly grateful for the mahi and community spirit shown by the Bayleys team.

We would gladly welcome them back again anytime.

Ngaa mihi nui to the Bayleys Pukekohe crew for their generosity, hard work, and commitment to supporting our school and community.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini – My success is not my own, but the success of many.



HEART Value Winners

Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners! 🎉

Batten - Jordan Laing

Hillary - Sam White

Lomu - Emma Strongman

Rutherford - Henry Callaghan

Sheppard - Flynn O'Donnell

Te Puea - Taranveer Dhaliwal

Our PB4L lesson this week is: Kia āhei
Year 7 students have taken the opportunity to try on some of the Year 8 leadership roles for next year.

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EPro8

On Wednesday October 29 - eight year 7 students, in two teams, participated in the inter-school heat of the Epro8 competition, an national annual primary, intermediate and high school engineering contest.

They had three challenges to choose from - a car barrier arm, foosball table or supermarket trolley.

Both teams chose the foosball table and worked well together to take out the two top spots.

Next week, they will participate in the Semi-final vying for a spot in the grand final.

Congratulations to: Zhara, Zara, Keeva, Logan, Kirk, Hudson, Kade and Lachlan.

-Ms Wolfe
Digital Technology Teacher

School Board Roles and Responsibilities

At our first official meeting for the new Board, held on Tuesday evening, the following positions were confirmed:

- Presiding Member: Dave Cockerton
- Personnel: Dave Cockerton
- Finance: Hepi Lopeti / Anthony Appleton-Tattersall
- Co-opted Member: Ken Hiku
- Property: Ken Hiku

As Presiding Member, Dave Cockerton will serve on the appointment panel for any staff positions involving two or more management units.



Strategic Planning

Over the past two terms, our kura has been gathering the voices of staff, students, and whaanau to help shape our new School Strategic Plan.

There will be a further opportunity for whaanau to share their views through a school survey that will be sent out in the coming week. Your voice is important in determining the goals and direction of our school and will help guide the aspirations we hold for all our tamariki. Your input is valued by our Governing Board, so please take a few minutes to share your hopes and ideas for your child while they are attending our kura.

We look forward to sharing the new School Strategic Plan with our community at the beginning of next year.

What's on next week?

Term 4 Week 5

(Monday 3rd - Friday 7th November)

Monday

- Sheppard HUB (AM)
- Batten HUB (PM)

Tuesday

- Hillary HUB (AM)
- Lomu HUB (PM)

Wednesday

Outside School HUB

- Pukekohe North School
- Year 8 Assembly

Thursday

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

Friday

Gumboot Friday

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** and **Sheppard** for your outstanding efforts this week!

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

Community Messages



Decorate for Good

A Mai Lighthouse fundraiser in collaboration with the Pukekohe Christmas Store

Get inspired with a Xmas Decor demonstration by expert stylists (light refreshments included)

 Saturday 15th November, 3pm - 5pm

 Pukekohe Christmas Store, 102 King Street, Pukekohe

Get your tickets here:

Tickets \$25 with all proceeds going towards our annual Smiles Appeal to support whānau in our community!




Mai Lighthouse
Guiding whānau to wellbeing

Stay connected




**OPEN INVITATION
FREE
PUKEKOHE
GIVE BACK EVENT**

FREE
Food, Clothing & Household Items
Come and enjoy a hot lunch with our community

**Pukekohe Intermediate School entry on Edinburgh Street
SUNDAY
30 NOVEMBER
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Car parking on surrounding streets**

**This is a FREE event
Bring your appetite, Whānau!!
We look forward to seeing you there**

This day has been sponsored by a wonderful benefactor who would like to remain anonymous.

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

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- Surf Skills
- Rescuing Techniques
- First Aid
- Reading the conditions
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CREATE YOUR OWN CLIMATE-INSPIRED TIVAEVAE

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!

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