

Pānui o te wiki

PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 2, 2026



Tumuaki Update

2027 Enrolments and Attendance Reminders

Letters were sent to whaanau on Friday of Week 1 regarding Year 7 students returning in 2027 and attendance expectations for the Year 8 Leavers' Dance.

As we head further into Term 4, a friendly reminder of the importance of attending school every day. We want our aakonga to make the most of their final weeks of learning and enjoy the celebrations ahead. Year 8 students are reminded that 90% attendance is required to attend the Leavers' Dance.

Our school continues to grow, with 12 new enrolments received this week and last. If you know of any in-zone families planning to join us in 2027 who have not yet enrolled, please encourage them to do so soon.

We look forward to welcoming our new aakonga and whaanau in 2027. Enrolling now help us plan our classes and ensure everyone gets off to a great start next year.

Kapa Haka – Noema 2026

Our Kapa Haka roopuu are busy preparing for Te Whakataetae Kapa Haka on 12–13 November at Navigation Homes Stadium, Pukekohe.

Our aakonga are working hard and looking forward to representing our kura on Thursday 12 November at 2.00 pm. Thank you to our kaiako and whaanau for their support.

Parking will be tight so get there early to ensure you don't miss out.

Tickets: \$5 per person (children 2 and under free).

[Purchase tickets here](#)

Kia kaha, kia maia!



Congratulations to our LC HEART Values winners!

Batten - Anvi Sharma

Hillary - Luca Hollingsworth

Lomu -

Rutherford - Terubeiti Ruben

Sheppard - Lamonai Talanoa

Te Puea - Toruariki Tuoro

Hub Y7 - Zane Evans

Hub Y8 - Elsie Marie Austin



Lesson: Kia kotahi - This week we focus on where to play ball games during break times while looking out for others who are not participating. As the weather gets warmer we look to be more active in our break times, make sure that your games are happening in the right places.

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What's on next week?

Term 4 Week 3

Monday 26 - Friday 30 October

Monday

-Labour Day - school closed

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

-Outside Schools HUB
• Buckland School
• Kingsgate School

Thursday

-School Athletics day - at Navigation Stadium

Friday

-Outside Schools HUB
• Waiau Pa School

U14 Regional Basketball Success

Congratulations to six of our talented basketball players who represented Franklin and Pukekohe Intermediate at the U14 Regional Basketball Tournament during the school holidays.

Max Dayal, Oscar Hatton, Sam Williams, Aden Van Huyssteen, Xavier Hogan and Blake Reddish all played exceptionally well, demonstrating determination, teamwork and resilience against some tough opposition.

The team achieved an impressive 6th place out of 12 teams in A Grade, a fantastic result for Franklin basketball.

A special congratulations to Max Dayal, who finished as the second-highest scorer across the entire A Grade competition, an outstanding individual achievement.

We are incredibly proud of the way these boys represented our kura, supported one another and competed with such commitment. Thank you to their coaches and whaanau for their ongoing support.



Energy Boost for Our Students

A big thank you to David Heath from the Rapid Response Team for the generous donation of energy bars for our students at Pukekohe Intermediate School.

We really appreciate your kindness and support of our aakonga. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Dungeons and Dragons

Our Dungeons and Dragons group is back together for Term 4, meeting every Thursday after school with Matua Paul. Students are thoroughly enjoying their adventures, taking on exciting quests, solving challenges and working together as they explore imaginative worlds. It is wonderful to see their creativity, teamwork and enthusiasm as they continue their adventures under Matua Paul's guidance.

ENVIRO Challenge

Only eight weeks remain for Learning Communities to earn points towards the Term 4 ENVIRO Challenge. Keep our kura clean and tidy, and continue collecting Plazrok to boost your points.

With three learning community winners so far this year, who will take the final ENVIRO Challenge title for 2026?

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	2		
Hillary	4	1			
Lomu	4	1	2		
Parkside	1	1			
Rutherford	4	1	2		
Sheppard	4	1	1		
Te Paea	2	1			

Teaching & Learning



Janine Fryer, Deputy Principal

Maths - Term 4

This term in Maths across the school there are several focus areas.

Week 1-3 = Revisiting and Reviewing and teachers are Re-teaching specific areas in number, fractions, decimals and algebra.

Week 4-6 = Probability and Chance

Week 7-8 = Financial Maths

Revisit
and review



Otago University - Final Maths Challenge

To be invited to sit this final challenge means these students were in the top percentile for problem solving across New Zealand.

Five of our students sat this assessment. The concentration in the room was intense!

We await the results and are immensely proud of this group of students. We look forward to following their mathematical success at high school.

Jeremiah Tavioni, Anna Gordon, Kade Foote, Lachlan Kimber and Morgan Hayes.



Epro8

This week we had 8 students represent our school at the local Pukekohe Year 7 and 8 competition.

Kade R49, Lewis R43, Lachlan R49, and Hudson R33

Zara, Keeva, Zahra and Emily R49



Riding bikes on the footpath

For children 12 and under

Children aged 12 and under can ride bikes on the footpath.
Parents and caregivers may ride with them to support their safety.

Footpath safety

Children should be confident and able to ride in a straight line, steer around objects, and be able to stop with control before riding on the footpath.

Support your child and help them learn how to:

- ride at a safe speed
- scan for driveways and other hazards
- pass people with patience and care
- ride near the middle of the footpath to keep safe but move to the left when other people are approaching.

Share with care

Teach your child to:

- slow down, especially in busy areas or near shops or bus stops
- give way to pedestrians - they may need to stop and pull over if there's not room to pass
- ring a bell or politely call out when approaching people from behind
- always pass people slowly and where there's the most space.



Managing hazards

Teach your child to:

- look for vehicles moving in and out of driveways - if there is a vehicle, teach them to stop and check the driver has seen them
- look for vehicles before crossing side roads - teach them to stop and put their foot down or get off and walk
- scan ahead for hazards on the path such as bumps, steps, rubbish bins and overhanging trees
- be aware of rubbish and recycling trucks - teach them to hang back and wait if the truck is emptying wheelie bins.

Other things you can do

- Practice bike control skills in an off-road area.
- Ride with them until they've built skills and knowledge.
- Make sure they're always wearing a helmet.
- Check their bike is in good order with working brakes.
- Have them wear light or bright coloured clothes so they can be seen more easily.

Riding bikes on the footpath

The new rules from Waka Kotahi will require education from both home and school combined. We will ensure we include school wide lessons around this for 2027. In the interim as parents it is vital if you have a child who bikes to school that you have a discussion, especially being aware of cars backing out of driveways.

Children aged 12 years and under are now allowed to ride bikes on footpaths.

Parents or caregivers may ride with them to supervise and support their safety.

Auckland Middle School Art Exhibition

Congratulations to the following students whose work has been selected to represent our school at the Auckland Middle School Art Exhibition this year.

Grace Wilson, Kaia Anderson, Lucy Taylor, Buckley Kershaw, Katherine Chen, Whenua Tule, Holly Jackman, Isla French, Lucy Simich, Kirsten Bignell, Maia Rameka, Mackenzie Douglas, Kyla Martin, Ethaniel Huggard and Abbie Hey

This is always an incredible exhibition to visit as it showcases amazing artwork from Intermediate aged students across Auckland.

-Whaea Pip, Visual Art Teacher

Community Messages



Blossom Psychology

In partnership with Kia Ora Ake

A free, practical session for parents and whānau navigating neurodiversity, focused on understanding what support is available and how to access it.

The session will cover services, school-based support, community resources, financial entitlements, and where to go for further help. Whānau will leave with clearer information, useful contacts and a better understanding of the support available for their tamariki and whānau.

When? Wednesday 11th November
Time? 6:00- 7:00 p.m
Where? Patumahoe School
38 Patumahoe Road

Registration required.
Scan the QR code to register, or book here:
<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/BFYA>
Light refreshments provided.



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PIA AND FICC PRESENTS

Franklin Indian Cultural Club

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

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

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STALLS
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AUCKLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL ART EXHIBITION

Location

SILO 6
Wynyard Quarter

Opening

NOV 1ST
2PM - 4PM

NOV 2ND - 7TH
10AM - 5PM

NOV 8TH
10AM - 12PM

Free Entry



Eke Panuku Development Auckland

Crest Clean

HEALTHY CLEAN

Free Community Event – Ride, Roam and Learn

Join us for Ride, Roam and Learn, a free community event promoting road safety for our tamariki.

Enjoy fun activities including a bike skills course, scooter slalom, slow-bike races, wheelie competitions, helmet safety checks and more.

We encourage all aakonga and whaanau to come along, get involved and build their road safety skills.

BIKE PUKEKOHE

Ride, Roam & Learn!

FREE PUBLIC EVENT!

**PUKEKOHE NETBALL CENTRE,
BLEDISLOE PARK, PUKEKOHE**

11 AM - 3PM

SUNDAY

1 NOVEMBER

BRING YOUR BIKE OR SCOOTER OUT FOR
A DAY OF FREE SPRING FUN
INCLUDING:

- OBSTACLE COURSE
- WHEELIE COMPETITION
- ACTIVE TRANSPORT CONVERSATIONS
- ORIENTEERING COURSE
- BIKE MECHANIC ONSITE
- FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE
- SPOT PRIZES, GIVEAWAYS
AND MORE!

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