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PUKEKOHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 3, 2024













Principal's Messages

Tēnā koutou katoa, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Fakaalofa lahiatu, Malo elelei, Namaste, Aslam Alaykom, Bula vinaka, Ni hao, Ola and Welkom.

Josh's Farewell

On Wednesday, our staff gathered to farewell Josh van de Worp, our valued Youth Worker and former student. Josh's journey with our school began as a student and continued through his role as a Youth Worker for the Franklin Baptist Church.

Since 2008, he has coached our boys' hockey team to represent the school at Zone and Inter-Zone competitions and to gain a fourth place and a gold medal at the AIMS Games under his guidance. Beyond sports, Josh played a pivotal role in supporting the school's audiovisual needs during major productions, generously sharing his expertise to help students gain valuable skills and knowledge.

As Josh relocates, we extend our best wishes and look forward to staying connected with him in the future.

His contributions will be long remembered, and he will always be part of our school whānau.

Safety at the gate

As the weather improves, we are once again encouraging our students to walk, bike, scoot, or skate to school. We have ample bike and scooter racks positioned across our school, and we know this is a great way for our young people to stay active. Choosing active transport also helps reduce traffic on our oftencongested local roads, benefiting the entire community. Ngā mihi for your support in fostering healthy habits!

Zone Volleyball

Another trip to Bruce Pulman Park arena, this time with the Volleyball teams.

Tough day at the office for our teams on Thursday 24th, they only got a few practices in before we went to the tournament. However they learnt a lot of skills and game play throughout the day, and for some it was a new sport to try.

Thanks to Matua Antonio for coaching on the day and to Whaea Jilly and Matua Josh for helping with selection and practice.

-Whaea Ann-Maree Sports Coordinator

Soft Plastics Drive 2024 - Recycling week

Last week saw Pukekohe Intermediate School participate in the nationwide recycling week by recycling as much soft plastic waste from their lunchboxes as possible instead of putting it into landfill.

As a school, we recycled 17.5m2 of soft plastics in four days!

This was a huge effort and a big thanks goes to the Kaitiaki team for getting stuck in and leading the way.

Ngata was awarded first place with 5.5m2 collected and Rutherford second with 2m2. Whaea Erin

-School ENVRIO Lead Teacher



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What's on next week?

Term 4 Week 4

Teaching and Learning

Shark Tank

Students from Sheppard Learning Community shared their innovation business concepts with Mrs Fryer this week. "Shoski" presented by Chloe Cunningham and Khushpreet Kaur. This product is one that we all need. A knife, spoon, fork and chopsticks all in one! Ideal Lomu - Konka Selupe for eating instant noodles and carrying school or work lunch boxes.

"Spritz Sponge" presented by Millie Rowlinson and Paige Knight from Sheppard Room 33. Spritze Sponge is the one stop shot cleaning product which is a spray bottle and sponge all in one! Key features include a sponge under the container lid, used to wipe surfaces.

Year 8 Students in the Lomu Learning Community have begun their term 4 inquiry unit all based on "twenty years from now". This focus is designed to get our students thinking about their future and the many career opportunities and pathways ahead for them.

Each of these students shared with Mrs Fryer their investigative questions based on form, perspective and responsibility (very high level stuff!!). It is rewarding to hear these students articulate their thinking and questions which they have started to prepare, in order to guide their learning into quality research.

Thank you Alex, Vaitafe, Lolohea, Amy and Ashton, it was my pleasure to hear about your chosen career to investigate.

-Whaea Janine Deputy Principal of Teaching and Learning

HEART LC Winners

Congratulations to the following students who received a HEART Values award for their learning community this week.

Week 2

Batten - Caiya Kinkade

Ngata - Ananya Sharma

Rutherford - Johnson Shumkuenip

Sheppard - Tyrese St Bernard

Te Puea - Iliana Malupo



Pukekohe High School Enrolment

The staff from Pukekohe High School will be available in our Board Room on Wednesday from 2:15pm to 3:30pm.

They are here to assist with Year 9 enrolments and option selections for 2025.

If you have any questions or need support with the enrolment process, please feel free to stop by during these times.

Monday

Batten Hub (AM) Lomu Hub (PM)

Tuesday

Ngata Hub (AM) Te Puea Hub (PM)

Wednesday

Student Leadership meetings 8 am Outside Schools HUB

- Kingsgate
- Buckland

PHS enrolment 2-3pm (Board Room)

Thursday

Rutherford Hub (AM) Sheppard Hub (PM)

Friday

Lomu Hub (AM) Batten Hub (PM)

ENVIRO Challenge

Ka mau te wehi!

Ngā mihi nui to the Ngata and Sheppard Learning Community for your outstanding efforts in keeping your environment rubbish-free.

Your dedication to keeping your learning communities rubbish-free is a shining example to us all, and they look absolutely amazing.

Learning Community	Recycling	LC Area	Soft plastics
Batten	3	1	
Lomu	4	1	
Ngata	3	1	2
Rutherford	3		1
Sheppard	4	1	1
Te Puea	3		

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Intermediate School

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Year 8 Camp 2025

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Over the past few years, we have been lucky enough to take a large group of Year 8 students away to camp. In 2025 we will be going to the Tōtara Springs Christian Centre in Matamata.

Tōtara Springs is the largest centre of its kind in New Zealand and is the ultimate venue for school camps.

Date: Wednesday 29 October - Friday 31 October 2025

The camp cost is \$330

Our preferred method of payment is now through Kindo, you can create an account here through the QR Code or via our school website. This also includes the health form required for camp.

It could be useful to set up automatic payments into Kindo now. If paying \$16.50pw from 26th of July it would be paid off by the end of the school year.

To secure your child's place at camp, a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit must be paid by Friday 22nd November

The balance of the account must be paid by Friday 11 April 2025.

From the Ministry of Education

"Decile 1-7 state and state-integrated schools are able to choose to receive a \$150 per student, per year payment if they agree not to ask parents and caregivers for donations, except for overnight camps".

Pukekohe Intermediate has selected to claim the \$150 from the Ministry, therefore parents are required to pay camp costs. Attendance at our school camp is not mandatory, it is optional to send your child to camp. If you choose not to, school learning will continue as usual. The school will also help to remove any barriers to attending camp by working with families and

helping fund students where there is a need. Year 8 Camp, Please return this part to school even if your child is NOT attending camp. I would like mu child to attend the 2025 Year 8 Pukekohe Intermediate School Camp at Tōtara Springs in Matamata. Please circle one of the below: Full payment has been made via Kindo \$330 I have paid the non-refundable deposit of \$100 via Kindo I agree to pay the full deposit amount of \$100 by Friday 22nd November 2024 and pay the balance remaining by Friday 11th April 2025. Parent/Caregiver Signature

Notices



Bilingual Unit

We are excited to announce our new Year 7 and Year 8 Bilingual classes starting in 2025!

Applications Open: Friday 13th September
Applications Close: Friday 8th November
Interviews: from Monday 11th November
Outcome Notification: Friday 15th November

Scan the QR code to access the online application or contact the school







