



SAVE THE DATE

Next week:

Week 7 - 9-13th March

Tues 10th March- Fruity Ice DAY
Thursday- Pizza Day

Week 8 - 16-20th March

Senior Camp Week
Tuesday 17th- Go Green Mufti

Week 9- 23-27th March

Tuesday- Board Hui
Friday- Teacher Only Day

Week 10- 30-3rd April

Monday- PTA AGM/Meeting 7pm
Thursday - Easter Hunt!
Friday- 3rd April- Good Friday

Mr Williams' Message

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

It has been a very busy and exciting week at school, with many new learning experiences for our tamariki.

On Wednesday, our Pohutukawa team had the special opportunity to visit Ngā Hau e Whā Marae. Being part of the pōwhiri and spending time on the marae helped our students learn more about the deep connection between Ngā Hau e Whā and Pukekohe Hill School. One of the most special parts of this history is that the whare nui at the marae was once the community hall located on the grounds of our school.

Experiences like this help strengthen our students' understanding of the important places, history, and relationships that shape our local community.

Yesterday, all of our Year 3-6 students competed in our swimming sports at Buckland School. It was fantastic to see so many students showing courage, giving new races a go, and earning points for their whānau groups. The encouragement and support students showed one another was great to see.

Earlier in the week, a group of our students also represented the school at the Central Group Swimming event. Congratulations to all those who competed. Representing the school at this level takes commitment and confidence, and we are very proud of the effort and determination shown by our swimmers. A special mention of Kobe and Ferryn who qualified for the Franklin Zone event.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club

Catalogues have gone home this week. Orders close on 11th March. All orders must be made online.



Fruity Ice Day

These are almost sold out for Tuesday, get in super quickly to grab one of the last few!



Join us and be part of our PTA

- BE INVOLVED A LITTLE OR HELP A LOT, IT'S UP TO YOU!

Raise money to improve our school

Meet new people

Plan fun events

Be part of your child's school experience

**MEETING DATES
ADVERTISED IN THE
SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

Contact us on : pukehillpta@gmail.com if
want to join, or need more info!



NOTIFYING US OF AN ABSENCE...

-  absent@pukekohehill.school.nz
-  Send a txt to 0212112287
-  09 238 6374, Option 1 (Leave a message)
-  contact page on the school website

2026 Central Group Swimming Championships

On Tuesday 3 March 2026, we took a team of 11 students to the 2026 Central Group Swimming Championships held at Franklin Sport, Swim & Fitness Centre.

For eight of our swimmers, this was their first time competing at this level, and they represented our kura with courage, determination, and outstanding sportsmanship.

We are incredibly proud to share that our team made 10 finals and achieved some fantastic results:

Ferryn Doubell – 3rd Backstroke

Kobe Wilkinson – 3rd Freestyle, 3rd Breaststroke, 4th Backstroke, 5th Open Free

Nathan Smith – 5th Freestyle, 6th Backstroke

Bradyn Doubell – 4th Freestyle, 5th Backstroke

Brendan Lum – 6th Backstroke

Our Girls Relay Team finished an impressive 4th, and our Boys Relay Team placed 5th in very competitive fields. The level of talent on display across the event was exceptional, making these results even more commendable.

A special congratulations to Ferryn Doubell and Kobe Wilkinson, who have qualified to represent our school at the Zone Swimming Sports on Friday 13 March at Whiteside Pools. We wish them all the very best as they take the next step in their swimming journey.

A heartfelt thank you to the parents and whānau who transported students, helped with timekeeping, and supported throughout the day.



Tititorea

We learnt how to use ti rakau with a buddy and sang some familiar waiata!



Waiata

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Ti ringaringa

The children enjoyed playing traditional Māori hand games, ti ringaringa. Great for concentration and coordination.



Poi

As part of our rotation activities at the marae, the children learned how to use poi. They practised how to hold them correctly, followed different movement instructions, and enjoyed learning a simple poi dance to E Rere Taku Poi.



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Be a legend- join our team.

Every day, our tamariki cross busy roads on their way to and from school. With just 20mins of your time, you can help make sure they get there safely.

Road patrol isn't a big commitment, it's a short morning or afternoon shift-but it makes a huge difference. You're not just helping manage traffic; your Saving lives, building confidence in our kids, and showing them their community has their backs.

The benefits...

Kids feel safer and more confident crossing the road. They learn important road safety skills by example. They see adults volunteering and giving back. Our whole school community becomes stronger.

We have 400+ families in our kura community. Surely, together, we can cover these short shifts if everyone chips in where they can- even one morning or one afternoon makes a difference.

No special skills needed. Just a willingness to help, a friendly face, and a few minutes of your day.

If your keen to be an absolute legend and donate a little of your time, please get in touch with Whaea Lee or office staff.

Lets work together to keep our tamariki safe. 20minutes. One safe crossing. A lifetime of impact.

Email leem@pukekohehill.school.nz to sign up!



SCHOOL



ENVIRO TEAM NEWS

WHAT TO DO IN MARCH

The seasons have changed once again: the first month of autumn can be a little unpredictable. In some years, the first frost strikes early; in other years the balmy warmth lingers for weeks. But whatever happens, the beginning of the month is always significantly different from its end. The arrival of chilly starts and earlier evenings mean it's time to search for long forgotten jumpers. For gardeners, there's a lot to do to transition the garden into the coming season.

Fruit Tree Care

- Continue to enjoy ripening pip and stone fruit. Keep the ground clear under trees, by raking up and composting fallen fruit.
- Protect ripening fruit with bird-netting, secured tightly to ensure birds don't become entangled.
- Once passionfruit has finished, lightly prune to remove dead, damaged or diseased branches and spray with Yates Copper Oxychloride and Yates Nature's Way Organic Citrus, Vegie & Ornamental Spray to take care of passionvine hoppers, mealybug, passionfruit fungal spot, and other pests and diseases.
- To support developing citrus fruit, feed trees with citrus fertiliser, watering well to keep the plant hydrated. To protect from scale and verruccosis spray with Yates Conqueror Spraying Oil and Yates Copper Oxychloride Fungicide.
- To encourage late season fruiting, continue to regularly pick berries as they become ripe.
- Prune peaches, nectarines, plums, cherries, almonds, and apricots now (after they've finished fruiting), to reduce the risk of silverleaf disease that can follow winter pruning.

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Community News



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Autumn 2026 Holiday Programme

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KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

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12 Green Lane, Pukekohe
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<p>Tuesday 7 April WE ARE GIANTS! FE FI FO FUM</p> <p>Go big or go home! GIANT games, GIANT laughs & GIANT Fun!</p> <p>\$39</p>	<p>Wednesday 8 April THE BIG APPLE</p> <p>Think apple pies, King Kong, New York & Baseball! Take a bite out of the Big Apple!</p> <p>\$39</p>	<p>Thursday 9 April HANDS ON CREATURES</p> <p>Creepy, crawly, amazing & totally awesome visitors today! #s are limited so get in quick! Once full everyone else is off to Ten Pin Bowling in Pukekohe. \$55</p>	<p>Friday 10 April FANTASY FUN DAY</p> <p>UNLEASH your inner beast or princess & step into the magical world of Disney. Get crafty, taste tasty food & gear up for the Disney storm! \$39</p>	<p>Monday 13 April RUN AWAY TO THE CIRCUS</p> <p>Step right up! Circus skills, dress ups, acting out and all round crazy fun to kick off the week</p> <p>\$39</p>
<p>Tuesday 14 April THE IRON YARD</p> <p>Come join us as we check out Pukekohe's newest golf venue! Real golf experience and mini golf fun</p> <p>\$65</p>	<p>Wednesday 15 April SUPERHEROES</p> <p>Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No it's all our KAS kids in action! Come dressed up as a superhero for a day full of SUPER fun!</p> <p>\$39</p>	<p>Thursday 16 April MOVIE MAGIC & VIRTUAL WORLDS</p> <p>5-7 year olds are off to the MOVIES to watch Hoppers while our 8+ go next level with VIRTUAL REALITY MIND BLOWING FUN! Limited spaces so get in quick!</p> <p>MOVIES 5-7 \$65 8+ VR \$60</p>	<p>Friday 17 April LETS GET PHYSICAL</p> <p>GO! GO! GO!</p> <p>Obstacle courses, team games, mini sports zones - Big energy, big fun & all day action!</p> <p>\$39</p>	

MSD SOCIAL
SECTOR LEVEL 3
ACCREDITATION

PRICES LISTED ABOVE ARE FOR OUR MAIN PROGRAMME 8AM TO 3PM HOWEVER WE ARE OPEN FROM 7AM TO 6PM EVERYDAY! FOR FULL DETAILS OF ALL AVAILABLE SESSIONS, PRICES & TO BOOK PLEASE GO TO WWW.KIDSAFTERSCHOOL.CO.NZ OR CALL THE KAS OFFICE ON 09 236 4078

IF SPACES ARE
FULL
ALTERNATIVE
ACTIVITY
OPTION WILL
SHOW @ TIME
OF BOOKING

IN THE EVENT OF WEATHER DISRUPTION OR CIRCUMSTANCES OUTSIDE OF KAS CONTROL SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES MAY CHANGE & CHILDREN MAY BE TRANSPORTED TO OTHER KAS PROGRAMMES