

NEWSLETTER



Save the Date

Week 8

Thursday- Mufti Day
-Dollar for Schools - Pizza Day

Week 9

Monday- Y5/6 Boys
Basketball

Tuesday-Y5/6 Girls
Basketball

Thursday- Y3/4 Basketball

Friday- Lunch with the
Principal

Week 10

Friday- Term 3 Ends- 3pm

Mr Williams' Message

Kia ora koutu e te whānau,

Our senior students (Years 5 & 6) have been busy this week competing in our school EPro8 competition. EPro8 is a hands-on science and engineering challenge where teams work together to solve problems and complete engineering tasks within a set time.

This year, we have been very fortunate to purchase our own EPro8 kits thanks to the generous support of Dan from DK Concrete Ltd and Brad from Finance Worx. Having our own equipment has already made a noticeable difference, with our tamariki becoming more confident in problem-solving, teamwork and using the equipment.

All of our Year 5 & 6 students have benefited from this fantastic learning experience, with our winning teams now going on to represent our kura at the Franklin EPro8 competitions next term. We wish them all the best!

It is awesome to see the learning happening in classrooms around this term's Concept focus of Ecosystems. Food chains, biomes and habitats are just some of the areas our tamariki have been exploring as they develop a greater understanding of how living things interact with each other and their environment. There has been lots of hands-on learning, great questions and some impressive knowledge being shared across our kura. It is exciting to see our tamariki making connections between their classroom learning and the world around them.

Nga mihi nui.

Important Dates for your Calendar!

School closes for 2026 on Friday 11th
December 12.30.

The Board have confirmed our 2027 start date as Thursday the 28th of January. This aligns with Pukekohe Intermediate, and Pukekohe High School.

2026 Prize Givings, Tuesday 8th Dec
Year 6 Graduation Evening, Wednesday 9th Dec

PTA Committee Meeting

The next Pukekohe Hill School PTA committee meeting will be held on Monday 7th September at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

Yummy Stickers

A reminder that this year's Yummy sticker collection finishes at the end of the term. Please send in your completed Yummy sticker sheets and bag barcodes to help our school earn awesome sports gear! If you have partially completed sheets, please hold onto these and keep collecting towards our 2027 collection.



MIDDLEMORE FOUNDATION

FRANKLIN SCHOOLS

Mufti day

FOR PUKEKOHE

10TH SEPTEMBER

Wear mufti and bring a gold coin donation.
All funds raised will support the Pukekohe Maternity Hospital Renovation Fund.



Help us reach our \$100,000 goal. Together, our community has an opportunity to give something back to a place that has given so much to so many.

FOR MORE INFO ON THE CAUSE
WWW.CT.CO.NZ/PUKE





Bakers Delight

A BIG thank you to Bakers Delight for their generous bread donation for our recent sizzle!!



WEEK 7 Native or Introduced?

What belongs here?

We are **KĀITIĀKI** of our environment

Some plants and animals are native (to Aotearoa New Zealand) and some are introduced (brought here by people). Introduced species can cause problems for our native species and habitats.



NATIVE

- Evolved here naturally.
- Important for our ecosystems and culture.
- Examples: Tūi, Kākā, Rimu, Kiwi.



INTRODUCED

- Not native to Aotearoa New Zealand.
- Can outcompete native species, eat their food, or damage habitats.
- Examples: Possums, Rats, Wasps.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Plant and protect native species.
- Trap pests humanely.
- Learn how to identify local natives.

TRY THIS:

 Can you spot a native plant or animal on your next walk?

 What is it?

KO TĀTOU TE TAIAO – WE ARE ALL CONNECTED TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

HELLO SPRING

On Tuesday, on the first day of spring, we welcomed new editions to the school!

These gorgeous chicks hatched in Room 23 and have been the cause of lots of excitement, and great learning opportunities.

Thank you Mrs Willis for such a special experience for our kura.



Community News

Buckland School

Are you seeking a semi-rural school for your Year 6 child's **Intermediate Years?** (Yrs 7 & 8)



Buckland School is currently holding a ballot for these year groups for 2027.

Our team of dedicated teaching professionals understands the distinct developmental needs of this age group. Utilizing the newly released New Zealand Curriculum, we foster academic progress and individual achievement for **all** students.

Buckland School offers exceptional opportunities for students to cultivate lifelong skills within a supportive environment characterized by small class sizes. We provide a diverse range of sporting, cultural, and leadership programmes, all underpinned by our core values: Respect, Responsibility, and Resilience.

For the 2027 academic year, we are pleased to accept ballot applications for a limited number of out-of-zone places in Years 7 and 8 until 25 September 2026. Please contact the school office for further details or information. The ballot application form can also be directly accessed via our website.

Kind Regards
Mavis Glasgow
Principal



AUCKLAND INTERSCHOOL JUMP ROPE CHAMPIONSHIPS

★ NOVEMBER EDITION

Get your team back together for the next jump rope competition!

SIGN UP NOW!

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

LOCATION
Sunnyhills School, Auckland

DATE & TIME
Friday, 13 November
9.30am start time

FURTHER DETAILS AND EVENT REGISTRATION
will be shared shortly.

MEDAL DESIGN



president@skippingnewzealand.org

EVENTS

- 30 SECOND SPEED SPRINT
- 30 SECOND CROSSES
- 30 SECOND DOUBLE UNDERS
- ENDURANCE DOUBLE UNDERS
- JUMPER DUO
- RAPID RELAY (4 x 30 SECONDS)
- LONG ROPE RELAY (2 x 30 SECONDS)
- PAIRS FREESTYLE



HOTSHOTS

TERM 4 2026 HOTSHOTS (8Wks)

\$50 OFF

\$30 off for First Time Hotshots Players
Term 1 only, Limited Spots, First In First Served

RACQUETS PROVIDED IF NEEDED

LeNet Tennis

DAYS RUNNING: START DATES
MONDAY - STARTS 12TH OCT
TUESDAY - STARTS 13TH OCT
WEDNESDAY - STARTS 14TH OCT
THURSDAY - STARTS 15TH OCT
FRIDAY - STARTS 15TH OCT
SATURDAY MORNING - STARTS 17TH OCT

Starting Week MONDAY 12th October 2026
VENUE: OUTDOORS - ROSA BIRCH PARK, 82 - 86 WEST ST, PUKEKOHE.
Register Today: Email: lenettennissnz@gmail.com

Cost 8 Week Term
(30MIN) \$140.00
(45MINS) \$160.00
(1 HOUR) \$180.00

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WIN A VIP TRIP TO THE ASB CLASSIC!

Spring 2026 Holiday Programme

KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

Based at Pukekohe Hill School
12 Green Lane, Pukekohe
Programme: 027 694 3011
WINZ SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES
Office: 09 236 4078 www.kidsafterschool.co.nz

Click the **BOOK NOW** button on our website www.kidsafterschool.co.nz

MONDAY 28 SEPT 2026 BLAST FROM THE PAST! Step back to simpler times when marbles ruled, yo yos were the coolest toy around and imagination did the rest. Get ready for a day of old school fun! Dress up Day \$40	TUESDAY 29 SEPT 2026 PLANES, TRAINS & AUTOMOBILES REV your engines for a day of transport themed fun! Build, race, create & let your imagination take the wheel! \$40	WEDNESDAY 30 SEPT 2026 TRIP - SHREK THE MUSICAL Join us as we head to the Hawkins Theatre in Papakura to experience the magic of the theatre! It's going to be a donkey-load of fun! SNAK PAK INCLUDED \$70	THURSDAY 1 OCT 2026 CRAZY DAY Warning: KAS has gone a little crazy! Everything is upside down, back to front and inside out. Join us for a day of wacky fun, silly surprises & organised chaos! \$40	FRIDAY 2 OCT 2026 TRIP - KAIPATIKI HOT SPRINGS We are off to Helensville today for hot pools fun! Slides for Age 8+ kids only EXTENDED SESSION TO 4PM to give the kids more time for fun! \$75
MONDAY 5 OCT 2026 VISITOR - FLASH BANG SCIENCE Fizz, pop, bang... & plenty of fun! Prepare to be amazed as science comes to life with exciting experiments & spectacular surprises. \$60	TUESDAY 6 OCT 2026 BRING ROBLOX TO LIFE Log out and level up! Experience your favourite Roblox inspired games and challenges in the real world for an action packed day of fun! \$40	WEDNESDAY 7 OCT 2026 AYE AYE CAPTAIN All hands on deck! Build your own boat, create a fishing line & see who can reel in the biggest catch. Then dive into a sea of games, crafts & adventures! \$40	THURSDAY 8 OCT 2026 TRIP - GAME OVER PAKURANGA Get your game on! Enjoy Go Karts & Ninja City! OR INHOUSE OPTION SHADOW NINJA DAY Train like a true ninja! Games, Science & even throwing stars! \$40	FRIDAY 9 OCT 2026 SURPRISE BOX DAY What's in the box? A game, a challenge, a craft... or something completely unexpected? Join us for a day full of surprises & twists! \$40

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

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

MSD SOCIAL SECTOR LEVEL 3 ACCREDITATION

IT'S FREE!



Come give tennis a go!
All equipment provided.
Prizes, giveaways, BBQs & more.

Counties Tennis Association
www.countiestennis.co.nz
Check the website for your local club & PARTICIPATING CLUBS NATIONWIDE

SUN 13 SEPT 10AM - 2PM
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