

PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS 2024





Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura Tuarua o Pukekohekohe

Welcome to Pukekohe High School. Our school values make clear our high expectations and help to bring a sense of connection and belonging to our 1800 students, including our diverse and growing international student population who currently come from Asia, Latin America and Europe.

As an international student at Pukekohe High School, you have the opportunity to engage in classes, participate in sports, wear the Pukekohe High School uniform with pride and importantly, meet new classmates and make new friends for life. We recognize that moving to another country is a huge step for you and your family and Pukekohe High School is here to support your journey.

We wish you all the best for the next exciting step in your education destination and we know that Pukekohe High School offers you the choices and flexibility to pursue your interests and support to help you reach your goals.

We look forward to welcoming you to Pukekohe High School.

Lynda Sharp & Lydia Firmin-Cavanagh International Director & Homestay Coordinator



Pukekohe High School Values

Pukekohe High School is a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2021. Copies of the Code can be found here https://www.pukekohehigh.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/NZQA_Pastoral-Care-Code-of-Practice_English.pdf

About Our School

Pukekohe High School **www.pukekohehigh.school.nz** is a state secondary school for students from Levels 9-13 (13-18 years old). The school is in the town of Pukekohe which has a population of 28,000. Pukekohe offers a safe, friendly environment for you to learn and experience New Zealand culture. In 2023, we had students from Japan, India, China, Taiwan, Thailand, Viet Nam and Tahiti to name a few. We'd love you to join us here in 2024!

Pukekohe High School offers You

- » a world-class education system that is recognised globally
- » ESOL support for all subjects
- » opportunities to excel yourself and study subjects that you're interested in
- » career counselling that will help you in your decision making for your next education step
- » a welcoming atmosphere with supportive staff
- » an approved government secondary school institution
- » affordable, quality education
- » a diverse and multi-cultural student and staff population
- $\ensuremath{\,{\scriptscriptstyle >}}$ a safe and welcoming campus
- » trained counsellors, qualified and experienced teaching staff
- » a chance to connect with and make friends with NZ students and other international students as part of the Pukekohe High School community



International Student Application and Offer Letter Process



Your Academic Programme

The international office and teachers and Deans are here to help you and will finalise subject choices with you when you enrol.

Year	Subjects
Year 10 Compulsory English; Maths; Science; Social Studies; PE & Health	Optional – you have TWO subject choices
Year 11 Compulsory Science; Maths AND choose one from: Te Reo Maaori; English; ESOL	Optional – you have FOUR subject choices
Year 12 Compulsory Select ONE from Te Reo Maaori; English; ESOL	Optional – you have FIVE subject choices You can only take ONE of the following Technology subjects: • Fabric Technology • Hard Materials Technology Students may only take TWO of the following subjects • Outdoor Education • Physical Education • Sports Leadership
Year 13	You have FIVE subject choices to make

Learning Area	Subjects	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Arts	Art	Art	Art	Art	Art	Art Printmaking
Drama				Art Photo-Design	Art Photography	Art Design Art History Art Painting Art Photography
	Drama	Dance/Drama	Drama -	Drama – Performing	Drama – Performing	Drama
	Music	Music – band Music - core	Dance Performance Music - band Performance	Dance Performance Music	Dance Performance Music	Music
English	English	English	Music – core English	English	English	English
	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL Media Studies	ESOL – English for Academic Purposes Media Studies
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Languages	French Japanese	French Japanese	French Japanese	French Japanese	French Japanese	French Japanese
Te Wahanga W		Te Reo Maaori Te Ao Maaori	Te Reo Maaori Te Ao Haka	Te Reo Maaori Te Ao Haka	Te Reo Maaori Te Ao Haka	Te Reo Maaori Te Ao Haka
Mathematics	Mathematics and Statistics	Mathematics and Statistics	Mathematics and Statistics	Mathematics and Statistics	Mathematics and Statistics	Calculus
Physical	Calculus Physical	Physical	Physical	Health	Health	Statistics Health
Education Education and and Health Health	Education and	Education and Health	Education and Health	Physical Education	Physical Education Outdoor	Physical Education Outdoor
					Education	Education
Science	Science	Science	Science	Science	Sport Leadership Science	Sport Leadership Biology
	Agriculture Horticulture			Agriculture and Horticulture	Biology Chemistry Physics Agriculture	Chemistry Physics Agriculture Horticulture
Social	Social Sciences	Social Studies	Social Studies	People and	Horticulture People and	People and
Sciences Business Hub	Business Hub			Society Geography	Society Classical Studies	Society Classical Studies
				History Commerce	Geography History Psychology Tourism Accounts Economics	Geography History Accounting Economics Legal Studies Business Studies
					Legal Studies	
Technology	Technology	Hard Material	Hard Material	Building	Business Studies Engineering	Engineering
V C Fi D T	Design and Visual Communication	Design and Visual Communication	Design and Visual Communication	Engineering	Design and Visual Communication	Design and Visual Communication
	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology	Design and Visual Communication	Food and Nutrition	Hospitality and Catering
	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Food and Nutrition	Catering	Food and Nutrition
	Future Pathways			Catering	Food Technology	Digital Technologies
				Food Technology Digital	Computer Studies Digital	Computer Studies MIT Trades
				Technologies	Technologies MIT Trades Academy	Academy
Student				Gateway	Gateway	Gateway
Support				Career Services	Career Services	Career Services

Your accommodation while at Pukekohe High School

You will be living in a Homestay or with a Designated Caregiver. Every family who looks after students while they're at Pukekohe High School are checked and vetted so you will be with a family that is approved by Pukekohe High School.

Living with a family is fun and our host families will make you part of their family. In New Zealand, we generally have three meals a day and while you're at school, you'll have a packed lunch from home to take with you.

When you apply to become a student at Pukekohe High School, please make sure you tick the box for homestay too. Once the family is confirmed, we'll send you information about who you'll be living with so you know who they are when you arrive in Auckland!

Facilities at School

- Art suites for painting, printmaking, design and photography
- Computer suites .
- Drama, dance and music suites
- Gymnasiums
- State of the art technology workshops and food technology rooms .
- Modern classrooms and science laboratories
- Spacious grounds incorporating sports fields









2024 Tuition and other Fees at Pukekohe High School





Fee Schedule NZ\$	4 Terms	2 Terms
Tuition	\$17,000	\$8,500
Admin Fee	\$1,350	\$800
Homestay Placement & Supervision Fee	\$300	\$300
Homestay Accommodation	\$360 per week	\$360 per week
Airport Return Transfer	\$200	\$200
NZQA Exam Fees Year 11-13	\$383.30	
NZQA Scholarship Subject Fees Y13	\$102.20 per subject	
Personal Stationery	\$100-300 (Depending on art- based subjects)	As required
Uniform	\$500	\$500
Sports Equipment/teams/clubs	Depends on the club	Depends on the club
Musical Instruments		\$100 approx
Study Support (ESOL)	\$1,000	\$750
Year 10 Camp	Included	Included

*Please note that these figures are subject to change

Your extra-curricular activities

There is a range of sport, performing arts and club activities which you're encouraged to join in! Here are some examples of what is on offer.

Sports	Cultural Activities	Clubs and Activities
athletics	drama	debating and speech
badminton	musicals	competitions
equestrian	dance	magazine production
hockey	theatre sports	environmentalists'
soccer	kapa haka	Christian youth group
softball	orchestra	junior activities week
squash	jazz concert	
swimming	rock bands	
table tennis		
touch rugby		
cricket		
netball		
rowing		
la crosse		

English Language courses

Upon arrival, you are assessed and placed into the appropriate class for your ability. Classes are small and you receive individual assistance from teachers trained and experienced in teaching English to speakers of other languages.

Pukekohe High School provides junior and senior English classes for speakers of other languages (ESOL). You are placed in the most appropriate class depending on your age and current English skills. Occasionally you can choose to join two classes.

The junior classes focus on accelerating English language learning. You are supported in learning English to help you in familiar situations and also to manage mainstream subjects.

The senior classes increasingly develop a more academic focus aiming to prepare you for tertiary study or work. All senior classes provide opportunities for students to achieve credits towards NCEA. The year 13 class supports you if you are intending to go to tertiary study, by obtaining the UE literary credits.



The Programme includes:

- Developing your confidence and skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing
- Learning vocabulary subject and the Academic Word list
- Reading using graded readers and a variety of other texts
- A wide variety of different learning strategies
- Homework mainly vocabulary learning and reading books



The School Year

- The school year commences in late January and continues until mid-December
- Year 11, 12 + 13 students leave in early October to sit the national examinations (NCEA) during November and December
- School holidays are two weeks in April, July and September
- Normal school hours are 8.45am 3.10pm Monday to Friday

2024 Term Dates

Term 1	01 February (Year 9, new Year 10-13 and Peer Support)
	02 February (All Students) - 12 April
Term 2	29 April - 05 July
Term 3	22 July - 27 September
Term 4	14 October - 16 December



Official and Legal Information

New Zealand Immigration

Full information on student visa requirements is available on the Immigration New Zealand website https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/apply-for-a-visa

Eligibilty for Health Services

Most international students are not entitled to publicly funded health services while in New Zealand. If you receive medical treatment during your visit, you may be liable for the full costs of that treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health and can be viewed on their website **www.moh.govt.nz**

Medical and travel insurance

International students are required to have a valid medical and travel insurance policy for the duration of their stay in New Zealand. Pukekohe High School is able to offer a full and cost-effective policy through our insurance broker.

Accident Insurance

The Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents and temporary visitors to New Zealand. Further information can be viewed at the ACC website at **www.acc.co.nz**

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Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura Tuarua o Pukekohe Welcome to Pukekohe High School

When you choose Pukekohe High School, you will be welcomed onto the beautiful school marae with a Poowhiri, which is a traditional Maaori welcome.

International Orientation is **Your welcome** to Pukekohe High School as the start of your education journey.

What to expect



Te Hikoi Marae

- You will begin your day at the Marae to be welcomed to Pukekohe High School. You'll meet with your buddy and find out about your class timetable, receive your student ID and find out where your classes are.
- You'll also find out about the support services at School and staff will make sure we have your student visa and insurance information.

Common Te Reo Maaori words and phrases	
Aotearoa	New Zealand; Land of the Long White Cloud
Maaori,	indigenous people of New
Te Reo Maaori	Zealand, the language
Waka	Canoe
Kia ora	Hello, greetings
Ka kite ano, haere ra	Farewell, see you later
Kai	Food
Wai	Water
Ata maarie, Moorena	Good morning
Whaanau	Family
Kiwi	Native flightless bird
Kura	School







Left to right. Lynda Sharp | International Director and Lydia Firmin-Cavanagh | Homestay Coordinator

Living in Pukekohe, Auckland

The Maaori name for Auckland is **Taamaki Makaurau** and is the largest city in New Zealand. Pukekohe is located at the southern edge of the Auckland Region and is a 45-minute drive from Auckland CBD.

Pukekohe has something for everyone – it started as a farming and horticultural community.

On the other side, the town's busy center is a shopper's delight and has many cafés, restaurants, clothes shopping and electronic stores. Local attractions include the Saturday morning market, golf, horse treks, a water garden and west coast beaches.

To get to and from school everyday is easy. Pukekohe train station is 5 minutes walk from the school and our homestay families live close to school or if a bit further away, will arrange transport each day.



Useful Websites

So much happens across the whole area of Auckland and below are useful websites to find information about all sorts of food, cultural, art, sporting and fun activities happening:

What's on across Auckland: www.eventfinder.co.nz

What's on in Pukekohe: https://www.franklincountry.com/Whats-On

Train, bus and ferry transport: www.at.govt.nz

Embassies in NZ: www.mfat.govt.nz/embassies

Auckland visitor information: www.aucklandnz.com

Auckland International airport: www.aucklandairport.co.nz





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