



PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL

# PROSPECTUS

2025

**Whiria te taangata, whiria te angituu**  
*Weave the people, create success*



# PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME



Kia ora koutou

A very warm welcome to Pukekohe High School, te kura tuarua o Pukekohekohe.

Our school serves the community of Pukekohe on the southern edges of Auckland. We are at an exciting stage in our one-hundred-year history, with an expanding student roll and improved facilities and opportunities for our students. We aim to provide a holistic education for our learners with a strong emphasis on academic qualifications, co-curricular experiences, student leadership and pastoral care. We have high expectations for our young people in terms of their effort, behaviour and attendance.

Providing learning experiences that will enable all of our students to develop the skills, attributes and qualifications that they will need in life beyond school, is at the heart of our work. We place an emphasis on choice throughout our curriculum to meet the needs of our diverse student body.

Our Pukekohe High School values of Manaakitanga, Kotahitanga, Puumautanga and Araahitanga are critical in preparing our students for life in 21st century New Zealand and the wider world. Living these values help shape good learners and good people.

Our five houses – named and depicted in our pou at the front of the school – and horizontal form structure (Whaanau Roopuu) means that our learners are known and cared for as individuals. The school's team of Kaitiaki Aakonga (Deans), Counsellors, Nurses and Careers staff work closely together to support all of our young people.

Encouraging resilience and well-rounded young people is vital. Involvement in our extensive extra-curricular programme is a strength of our school and is key to developing a sense of enjoyment as well as physical and mental wellbeing. Opportunities for students to explore and engage in sport, music, performing arts, cultural groups and a wide variety of clubs is becoming increasingly important at our school. A large number of our students successfully participate in the Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award and Education Outside of the Classroom (EOTC) opportunities abound.

We invite you to explore our website and official social media pages to learn more about our school. We are proud of what we have to offer and look forward to welcoming you to Pukekohe High School.

Murray Saunders  
Tumuaki | Principal

# PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL VALUES





# PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN







# PHS KEY CONTACTS

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**Ko te manu e kai ana i te miro, noona te ngaahere. Ko te manu e kai ana i te maatauranga, noona te ao.**

*The bird that partakes of the miro berry reigns in the forest. The bird that partakes in the power of knowledge has access to the world.*

We are proud to be able to offer our students a broad curriculum. Our learning areas review content annually to ensure what we offer remains relevant to students and builds meaningful pathways beyond their school journey. We are currently reviewing our curriculum structure at the junior level. Changes will be communicated later in 2025.

For information about NCEA, please click [here](#).

## LEARNING SUPPORT

Our Learning Support Department supports students to ensure everyone gets what they need in order to be successful at Pukekohe High School. These supports range from specialist support in literacy and numeracy, Teacher Aide in-class support, Ministry of Education applications, assistive technology support, specialised co-ordination across teaching staff and pastoral teams, and co-ordination with community agencies.

The school has three dedicated Learning Support Coordinators who assist students and staff in this area.



# 2025 CURRICULUM OUTLINE

SUBJECT AREA	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11 NCEA LEVEL 1	YEAR 12 NCEA LEVEL 2	YEAR 13 NCEA LEVEL 3 NZQA SCHOLARSHIP	
ART	Art	Art	Art – Painting & Printmaking	Art- Design	Art- Design	UE
				Art - Motion Special Effects	Art - Motion Special Effects	UE
				Art - Painting	Art - Painting	UE
		Creative Enterprise Cinematography <b>OR</b> Motion Graphics & Animation	Art Photography & Design	Art - Photography	Art - Photography	UE
				Art- Printmaking	Art- Printmaking	UE
	Art - History	Art - History	UE			
	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	UE
	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	UE
Music Band	Music Band	Performance Music	Performance Music	Performance Music	UE	
Music Core	Music Core					
ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH English Scholarship	UE
ESOL English for Speakers of Other Languages	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL	ESOL	
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Health & Physical Education	Health & Physical Education	Health	Health	Health	UE
				Physical Education	Physical Education	UE
			Physical Education	Outdoor Education	Outdoor Education	
			Sports Leadership	Sports Leadership		
MATHEMATICS	Mathematics & Statistics	Mathematics & Statistics	Mathematics Core	Mathematics with Algebra	Calculus*	UE
				General Mathematics	General Mathematics	UE
			Mathematics with Statistics	Mathematics with Statistics	Statistics	UE
SCIENCE	Science	Science	Science General	Chemistry	Chemistry*	UE
		STEM Electronics		Physics	Physics*	UE
				Biology	Biology*	UE
				General Science	General Science	UE
				Earth Science		
	Rural Studies	Agriculture & Horticulture	Agriculture Science	Agriculture & Horticultural Science	UE	
	Horticultural Science					
LEARNING SUPPORT	Core Foundation	Core Foundations	Foundation Certificate	Life Skills	Life Skills	
LANGUAGES	French	French	French	French*	French*	UE
	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese*	Japanese*	UE
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Social Studies	Social Studies	History	History	History	UE
			Geography	Geography	Geography	UE
			People & Society	People & Society	People & Society	UE
				Psychology	Psychology*	UE
				Classical Studies	Classical Studies	UE
			Tourism	Tourism		
			Media Studies	Media Studies	UE	
BUSINESS HUB (Social Studies)		Money Matters	Commerce	Accounting	Accounting	UE
				Business Studies	Business Studies	UE
				Economics	Economics	UE
				Legal Studies	Legal Studies	
TECHNOLOGY	Design and Visual Technology	Design and Visual Technology	Design and Visual Technology	Design and Visual Technology	Design and Visual Technology	UE
	Digital Technology	Digital Technology	Computer Application	Computer Application	Computer Application	
	Food Technology	Food Technology	Digital Technology	Digital Technology	Digital Technology	UE
	Multi Materials Technology	Multi Materials Technology	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition	UE
			Catering	Catering	Catering	
			Engineering	Engineering	Engineering	UE
			Building	Building		
Hard materials Technology	Hard materials Technology					
CAREER DEVELOPMENT SERVICES			Future Pathways	Future Pathways	Pathways Programme	
			Pathways Programme**			
TE WAHANGA WHAKAAKO	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	UE
	Te Reo Maaori	Te Reo Maaori	Te Reo Maaori	Te Reo Maaori	Te Reo Maaori	
	Te Ao Maaori	Maatauranga Maaori	Te Manaaki Taangata Ki Te Maaori	Te Manaaki Taangata Ki Te Maaori		
	Ngaa Toi	Ngaa Toi	Ngaa Toi			

\*Course has prerequisites

\*\*Contextualised Learning Programmes



A student is seen from behind, wearing a black soccer jersey with a large yellow number '6' and a yellow leaf logo. The jersey also has 'Est. 1921' printed near the collar. The student is on a green field, about to kick a soccer ball. In the background, a white goalpost is visible.

# CO-CURRICULAR

**Naau te rourou, naaku te rourou, ka ora te iwi.**

*Through each of our contributions the people will thrive.*

Pukekohe High School provides a wealth of opportunities for students. We believe that by being involved in activities beyond the classroom, students enhance their learning, strengthen their connections within our community and reach higher levels of personal excellence.

## SPORT

Pukekohe High School has a proud history of participation and achievement in sport at local, regional and national levels. We believe it is an important dimension of the young person's education, particularly at secondary school level. We encourage students to participate in a wide range of activities outside the classroom to further develop physical, mental and social skills. They build students' self-esteem and confidence, and this can be reflected in greater effort and achievement in the classroom.

Our passionate and enthusiastic Sports Department, with support from coaches, teachers and parents, put in hard mahi to ensure students achieve their sporting goals.





# CO-CURRICULAR

## MUSIC

The Pukekohe High School Music Department provides many exciting opportunities for students to perform at a local, regional and national levels.

## DANCE

At Pukekohe High School, we have a strong dance programme for our young men and women, both in and out of the classroom. Techniques in a range of dance styles are taught as subject option. Students are provided with opportunities to create their own dances through music interpretation and develop a range of choreographic skills including leadership.

## DRAMA

Drama at Pukekohe High School is offered as a subject option across all years. Led by a supportive and talented staff, students explore ideas and concepts of topics and works to develop self-awareness and self-esteem to grow into confident, articulate and creative individuals.

## VISUAL ART

Pukekohe High School Visual Arts is led by a talented and passionate team who are successful artists in their own right and keen teachers of everything art. The creation of Visual Art empowers students to consider the visual world we live in.



# ENROLMENT

## **Our Zone**

All students who live within the Pukekohe High School zone are eligible to enrol. You can check whether you are in zone [here](#).

## **Out-of-Zone Enrolments**

Pukekohe High School may be able to accept a number of out-of-zone Year 9 enrolments. Should the number of applicants exceed the number of spaces available, a ballot will be held.

Please refer to our [website](#) for important dates.

Out-of-Zone applications for Years 10-13 will be considered by the PHS Board.

## **Enrolment Process**

Complete the [online application form](#) and upload all necessary documentation.

All applicants are required to attend an enrolment interview before acceptance is confirmed.

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