



PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL

# PROSPECTUS

2026

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

Year Level		Pou Tuarongo (Deans)	Senior Leadership Team
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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.

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.



# 2026 CURRICULUM

FACULTY	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
		Creative Enterprise		Art - Motion Special Effects	Art - Motion Special Effects	UE
		Cinematography Or Motion Graphics & Animation	Art - Photography & Design	Art - Painting	Art - Painting	UE
				Art - Photography	Art - Photography	UE
				Art- Printmaking	Art- Printmaking	UE
				Art - History	Art - History	UE
	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	UE
ENGLISH	English	English	Contemporary Literature World Literature	Contemporary Literature World Literature	English	UE
					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	Physical Education	UE
				Outdoor Education	Outdoor Education	
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	Science in Context	Physics	Physics*	UE
		Electronics		Biology	Biology*	UE
		Production Studies	Agriculture & Horticulture	General Science	General Science	UE
				Earth Science		
				Agriculture Science Horticultural Science	Agriculture & Horticultural Science	UE
Learning Support LANGUAGES	Core Foundation	Core Foundations	Foundation Certificate	Foundation Certificate	Life Skills	
	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 Sciences)		Money Matters	Commerce	Accounting	Accounting	UE
				Business Studies	Business Studies	UE
				Economics	Economics	UE
				Legal Studies	Legal Studies	
TECHNOLOGY	Design Thinking Digital Technology	Design Thinking Digital Technology	Spatial Design	Spatial Design	Spatial Design	UE
			Computer Application	Computer Application	Computer Application	
			Digital Technology(P-Tech)	Digital Design	Digital Technology	UE
				Computer Science		
	Food Technology Multi Materials Technology	Food Technology Multi Materials Technology	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition	UE
			Catering	Catering	Catering	
			Engineering	Engineering	Engineering	UE
			Building Hard Materials Technology	Building Hard Materials Technology		
CAREER DEVELOPMENT SERVICES			Future Pathways	Future Pathways		
				Hospitality Pathway		
				Engineering Pathway		
				Building Pathway		
				Primary Industries Pathway		
				Electrical Pathway		
				Automotive Pathway		
TE WAHANGA WHAKAAKO	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	Te Ao Haka	UE
	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori*	Te Reo Māori*	UE
	Te Ao Māori	Mātauranga Māori	Te Mānaki Taangata Ki Te Māori	Te Mānaki Taangata Ki Te Māori		
	Ngāe Toi	Ngāe Toi	Ngāe Toi	Ngāe Toi		

\*The course has prerequisites

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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, kicking a soccer ball. In the background, a white goalpost is visible.

# CO-CURRICULAR

**Naa 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 may 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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