



# TE PUKE HIGH SCHOOL

## International Prospectus



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*for a real Kiwi experience...*

# Welcome



## Tena koutou katoa. Welcome.

I am proud to introduce our wonderful school to you, and welcome you to join us. As a student of Te Puke High School, you will be placed at the heart of our school and provided with many great learning opportunities, which will help you develop as a confident, connected, actively involved lifelong learner.

Te Puke High School is a truly multicultural community, comprising of students and staff from many different nationalities, and where all cultures are valued and celebrated. You, as an international student, will bring your own culture and become an important citizen of our school, thereby enhancing our cultural diversity. There are many wonderful learning opportunities for you at Te Puke High School to help you develop your knowledge, skills and attitude. We offer you a real Kiwi experience. I hope to see you soon. Te Puke High School is a friendly, future-focused, student-centred school.

**Te Puke High School is small enough to care and large enough to compete.**

Alan Liddle,  
Principal



## Vision for Te Puke High School

*Inspiring everyone to be future focussed learners who realise their potential.*

## Mission Statement for Te Puke High School

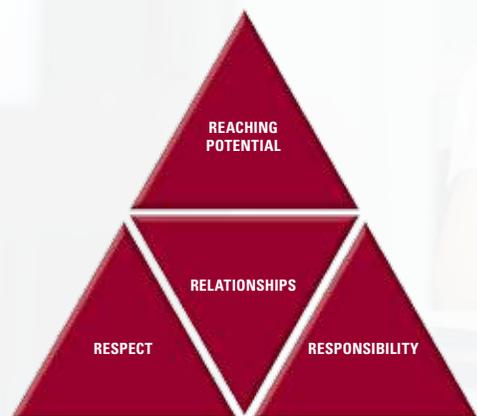
*To provide a stimulating environment that challenges and engages each and every learner.*

## Te Puke High School

- Te Puke High School is a friendly future-focused, co-educational community school.
- There are approximately 1,000 students aged from 13 years to 18 years of age.
- Classes are from Year 9 to Year 13 and an academic programme is offered to suit the individual needs of the student.
- Te Puke High School has a small number of students from around the world and they receive personalised care.
- The very important Core Values of Te Puke High School are Respect, Responsibility, Relationships and Reaching Potential.
- A full range of subjects are offered, including Drama, Art, Music, Languages, ESOL and Outdoor Education.



## Core Values





# Location

## New Zealand

- Supportive learning environment
- Personal attention from teaching staff in relatively small classes
- World famous scenery and exciting activities and adventures
- Lower crime rates than other countries
- Well known for being welcoming and diverse, accepting many cultures
- NZ has a great sense of balance – study / life / health / urban / landscape
- Clean fresh air with 'temperate climate'





### Te Puke / Bay of Plenty

- Located in the Bay of Plenty / Tauranga area famous for its beautiful beaches and landscapes as well as adventure activities and shopping
- 20 minutes from Tauranga city (120,000 approx inhabitants), 40 minutes from Rotorua and lovely Mount Maunganui is only 15 minutes away
- Te Puke is a friendly semi-rural town of approximately 10,000 inhabitants
- Moderate climate with lots of sunshine
- Sun, surf and shopping all close by
- Kiwifruit capital of the world
- Thriving farming region
- The area offers – beautiful scenery, bush walks, fishing, diving, surfing, horse-riding, beaches, sky diving, sun, shopping and many more fun activities
- 3 hour drive from Auckland city or a 25 minute direct flight
- Te Puke is an ideal place for international students to have a real Kiwi experience

# Academic Programme

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

YEAR	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	SCIENCE	SOCIAL SCIENCES	TECHNOLOGY	THE ARTS	PE & HEALTH	LANGUAGES	COMPUTING
<b>YEAR 9</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English</li> <li>ESOL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Technology</li> <li>Textiles Technology</li> <li>Wood Technology</li> <li>Metal Technology</li> <li>Design and Visual Communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art</li> <li>Drama</li> <li>Music</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical Education &amp; Health</li> <li>Plus Ultra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French</li> <li>Japanese</li> <li>Spanish</li> <li>Te Reo Maori</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information Technology</li> </ul>
<b>YEAR 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English</li> <li>ESOL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science</li> <li>Agriculture/Horticulture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>Economics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Technology</li> <li>Textiles Technology</li> <li>Wood Technology</li> <li>Metal Technology</li> <li>Design and Visual Communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art</li> <li>Drama</li> <li>Dance</li> <li>Music</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical Education &amp; Health</li> <li>Plus Ultra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French</li> <li>Japanese</li> <li>Te Reo Maori</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information Technology</li> </ul>

## SENIOR SCHOOL (NCEA\* LEVELS 1, 2 & 3)

	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	SCIENCE	SOCIAL SCIENCES	TECHNOLOGY	THE ARTS	PE & HEALTH	LANGUAGES	COMPUTING	
<b>LEVEL 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English</li> <li>Media Studies</li> <li>ESOL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Mathematics with Numeracy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science</li> <li>Agriculture/Horticulture</li> <li>Trades Academy Agriculture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geography</li> <li>History</li> <li>Economics/Accounting</li> <li>Business Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food and Nutrition</li> <li>Textiles Technology</li> <li>Furniture Making</li> <li>Engineering Skills</li> <li>Design and Visual Communication</li> <li>Technicraft</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visual Art Exploration</li> <li>Drama</li> <li>Dance</li> <li>Music</li> <li>Music Performance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical Education &amp; Health</li> <li>Health Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese</li> <li>Te Reo Maori</li> <li>Spanish</li> <li>French</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Information Technology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skills for Living</li> <li>Skills 4 Success</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English</li> <li>Media Studies</li> <li>ESOL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science</li> <li>Biology</li> <li>Chemistry</li> <li>Physics</li> <li>Agriculture</li> <li>Horticulture</li> <li>Environmental Science</li> <li>Primary Industry Academy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geography</li> <li>History</li> <li>Tourism</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Accounting</li> <li>Business Education</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food and Nutrition</li> <li>Hospitality</li> <li>Textiles Technology</li> <li>Engineering Skills</li> <li>Furniture Making</li> <li>Design and Visual Communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visual Art Exploration</li> <li>Digital Photographic Art</li> <li>Graphic Design and Promotion</li> <li>Photographic Art</li> <li>Drama</li> <li>Dance</li> <li>Music</li> <li>Music Performance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exercise Science</li> <li>Sport &amp; Recreation</li> <li>Outdoor Education</li> <li>Health Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese</li> <li>Te Reo Maori</li> <li>Spanish</li> <li>French</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Information Technology</li> <li>Computer Applications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skills 4 Success</li> <li>Careers Education</li> <li>Gateway</li> <li>Early Childhood Studies</li> <li>Youth Apprenticeship</li> <li>Practical Pathways to Achievement</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English</li> <li>Media Studies</li> <li>ESOL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Statistics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology</li> <li>Chemistry</li> <li>Physics</li> <li>Agriculture/Horticulture</li> <li>Primary Industry Academy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geography</li> <li>History</li> <li>Tourism</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Accounting</li> <li>Business Education</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food and Nutrition</li> <li>Hospitality</li> <li>Textiles Technology</li> <li>Furniture Making</li> <li>Automotive</li> <li>Engineering</li> <li>Design and Visual Communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visual Art Exploration</li> <li>Digital Photographic Art</li> <li>Graphic Design and Promotion</li> <li>Drama</li> <li>Dance</li> <li>Music</li> <li>Music Performance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exercise Science</li> <li>Sport &amp; Recreation</li> <li>Outdoor Education</li> <li>Health Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese</li> <li>Te Reo Maori</li> <li>Spanish</li> <li>French</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Information Technology</li> <li>Computer Applications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Skills</li> <li>Gateway</li> <li>Early Childhood Studies</li> <li>Youth Apprenticeship</li> </ul>

\*NCEA – National Certificate of Educational Achievements. Subjects may vary each year depending on class numbers and timetabling.







# Co-Curricular Activities

A wide variety of co-curricular activities are offered throughout the year through the school and the community. However, the list varies each term and year and times may vary. We will endeavour to assist our international students to get involved in activities of their choice either at school or through the local community.

SPORT	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
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7s Rugby	•			•
Archery	•	•		
Athletics	•			•
Badminton	•	•	•	•
Basketball		•	•	
Canoe Polo	•			•
Cricket	•			•
Cross Country		•		
Cycling				
Equestrian	•	•	•	•
Football		•	•	
Futsal	•			•
Golf	•	•		
Hockey		•	•	
Kayaking	•			•
Lawn Bowls	•			•
Motocross	•	•	•	•
Mountain Biking	•	•		
Netball		•	•	
Rugby		•	•	
Rugby League		•	•	
Skiing/Snowboarding		•	•	
Football		•	•	
Squash		•	•	
Surfing	•			•
Swimming	•			•
Tennis	•			•
Touch Rugby	•			•
Volleyball	•			•

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Waka Ama	•	•	•	•
Water Polo	•			•
White Water Kayaking	•			•
Orienteering		•	•	
Outdoor Pursuits		•	•	
Cactus - Bootcamp	•			•

### PERFORMING ARTS

Lip Synch	•			
Production		•		
Talent Quest			•	
Performing Arts Concert			•	
Cultural Concert			•	
Talent Quest				•
Garden Arts Festival				•

### MUSIC

Choir	•	•	•	•
Combo Jazz Band	•	•	•	•
Concert Band	•	•	•	•
Concert Rock Band	•	•	•	•
Junior Band	•	•	•	•
Music Tutoring	•	•	•	•
Orchestra	•	•	•	•

### COMMITTEES

Cultural Committee	•	•	•	•
SADD	•	•	•	•
Gifted and Talented	•	•	•	•

# Homestays

Te Puke High School offers a wonderful range of homestays, some are near the school, others close to the beach and shopping mall or some on farms and kiwifruit orchards. We carefully match homestays with our international student profiles and all homestays provide:

- 3 meals a day, including lunch
- Warm, comfortable bedroom
- Welcoming, supportive and caring environment
- A real Kiwi experience

All homestays are selected carefully and are Police Vetted.



## **Sharon Whiting - Homestay**

We have loved being a homestay family for the last two years and have had boys and girls from different countries. We enjoy learning about other cultures, especially food! We like teaching our students about our culture and getting them involved with activities at the weekend. Vincent is a great teacher and has always enjoyed spending time doing different activities. We always sit around the dinner table in the evening and discuss the students' day at school, what they have learnt etc.





**Necia McBride** - *Homestay*

We really enjoyed hosting an international student. Christin was active and liked to get involved in our family. We did many things together and we really liked showing her a real 'kiwi' experience. We rode horses, went to the snow and spent time at the beach and lakes. It was lovely to learn about another culture. We now have a close bond and we are looking forward to visiting them one day. It was a very special experience and Christin is now a part of our family.



# Student Voice



**Sayaka** – *Japan*

My time in New Zealand has been so amazing and awesome. I could have a lot of experiences, everything was a first for me. I'm happy to study at Te Puke High School. My homestay is really nice, friendly and they always help me to try something new. I'm sure my experience in NZ will be really good for my life.



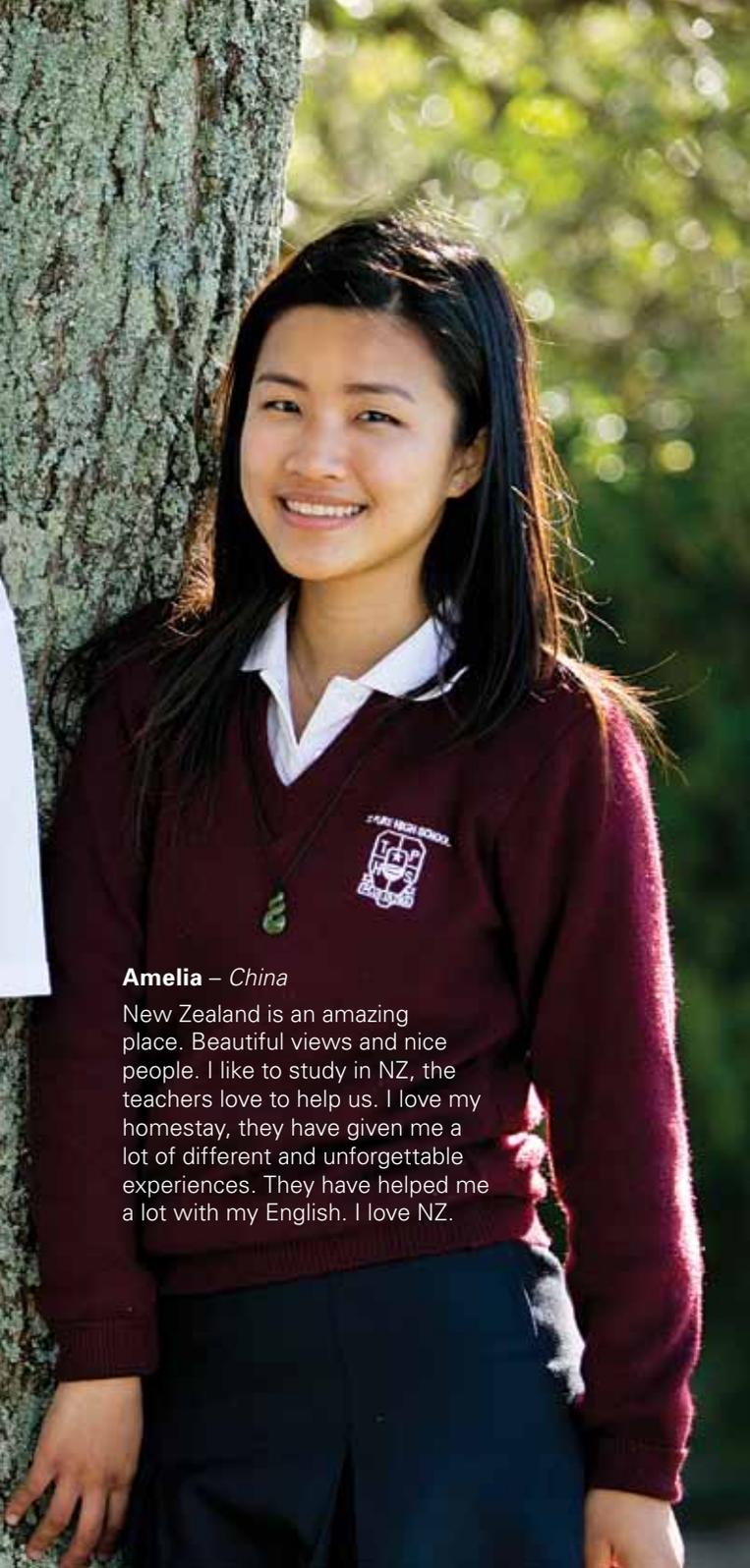
**Cream** – *Thailand*

I have found NZ the most beautiful place ever, so are the people. My homestay are amazing – very Kiwi, friendly, supportive and kind. Te Puke High School offers plenty of new subjects that I have never done before and wonderful teachers and students that helped me a lot. I'm very happy that I came to NZ.



**Charles** – *Hong Kong*

My time in New Zealand is very awesome and my host family are very nice. They always take me to many place. The teachers at Te Puke High School are helpful and friendly. I have tried some new subjects like Spanish and Accounting. The International Department are really helpful. They care about all the international student.



**Amelia** – *China*

New Zealand is an amazing place. Beautiful views and nice people. I like to study in NZ, the teachers love to help us. I love my homestay, they have given me a lot of different and unforgettable experiences. They have helped me a lot with my English. I love NZ.



**Joel** – *Germany*

I experienced a year full of adventures and was able to meet wonderful people. Going to New Zealand is one of the best decisions in my life. While I was staying in New Zealand, I lived in an awesome homestay family. I totally enjoyed living in another family! The Kiwi students at Te Puke High School included me quickly in their groups and their friendships. Through that I was able to make a lot of friends and had fun throughout my year in New Zealand and at Te Puke High School.

Hey guys, if you aren't sure yet if you would like to do a year at Te Puke High School, my tip is DO IT!!!

P.S: New Zealand is the best.



**Sofia** – *Argentina*

My time in New Zealand was great. The people there are wonderful. At Te Puke High School you will have a lot of fun because you can choose many different subjects and you can go on school trips. The families are really good, and like having international students. The international department are also very helpful and supportive.



For further information, please go to our website:

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