

# School holidays

**SUMMER PROGRAMME**  
**15 DEC 2025 – 23 JAN 2026**



**NATHAN HOMESTEAD**  
**PUKEPUKE**





## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

15 DECEMBER - 19 DECEMBER 2025 &  
5 JANUARY - 23 JANUARY 2026

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Nathan Homestead Pukepuke offers fun, active and creative school holiday programme for tamariki aged 5–13 years. Our sessions are designed to inspire curiosity, build confidence, and keep kids engaged through hands-on experiences and exciting adventures.

Each day features a mix of themed activities, including cooking, sports, arts and crafts, and outdoor play in our beautiful park surroundings. We also offer specialist workshops in visual and performing arts for young creatives aged 8–13, ranging from painting and pottery to drama and stage performance. These workshops provide high-quality arts tutoring in a supportive and welcoming environment.

The programme is approved by the Ministry of Social Development, and WINZ subsidies are available for up to 50 hours per week.

check out what  
you can do these  
holidays →

WEEK ONE: 15 - 19 DEC 2025

ALL SESSIONS RUN  
9AM – 3PM

MON15 DEC

MIX 'N' MATCH 1.0

Pick and mix your favourite activities on the day.

Session Code: A1 Fun Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

TUE16 DEC

GAMES GALORE

Get ready for a terrific team titan's face-off packed with thrilling games and challenges.

Session Code: B1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

WED17 DEC

ZOOTOPIA 2

Journey to the Silky Otter Cinemas in Takanini followed by a picnic in David Nathan Park.

Session Code: C1 Day Trip

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$50

THU18 DEC

THE SUN SHINES BRIGHT

Have litres of fun in the sun! Bring togs and towel for wonderful water activities.

Session Code: D1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

FRI19 DEC

FELIZ NAVIDAD

Deck the halls and feast on a day of merrymaking, chockful of Christmas cheer.

Session Code: E1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

WEEK TWO: 5 - 9 JAN 2026

ALL SESSIONS RUN  
9AM – 3PM

MON5 JAN

DINOSAUR DISCOVERY DAY

You'll be stomping like a triumphant T-REX with a dino-mite day filled with dinosaur art and activities.

Session Code: F1 Fun Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

TUE6 JAN

SHINE ON

Simmer down and soak up the sun! Bring togs and towel for outdoor water activities.

Session Code: G1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

WED7 JAN

VISTAVISION

Walk the red carpet and enjoy a day where the magic of motion pictures is spotlighted.

Session Code: H1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

THU8 JAN

ROMA

Slip on your sandals and step back into the Roman Empire with a treasure trove of Roman crafts and tasty Ancient Roman snacks to try.

Session Code: I1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

COLOSSEUM ART

with Cass Mquoid

Create captivating artwork inspired by the mighty Colosseum - the giant amphitheater located in Rome, the capital of Italy.

Session Code: I2 Arts Class

Suitable for: Ages 8+

Cost: \$40

FRI8 JAN

AUCKLAND BOTANIC GARDENS

Visit the magnificent Auckland Botanic Gardens and explore the sensational Children's Potters Garden.

Session Code: J1 Day Trip

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

# WEEK THREE: 12 - 16 JAN 2026

ALL SESSIONS RUN  
9AM – 3PM

## MON 12 JAN

### IT'S ALIVE! MONSTER MAKERS MONDAY

Bring your imaginary monster to life!  
If you could make a monster, what would it look like? It could be friendly, fiendly, slimy or just plain spooky!

Session Code: K1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

### SUMMER CLAY 1.0 with Siriporn Falcon-Grey

Spend 4 hours designing and creating a sculpture of a mythological Greek monster.

Session Code: K2 Arts Class

Suitable for: Ages 8+

Cost: \$50

## TUE 13 JAN

### MIX N/ MATCH 1.0

Pick and mix your favourite activities on the day

Session Code: L1 Fun Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

### THE SPONGEBOB MOVIE: SEARCH FOR SQUAREPANTS

Journey to the Event Cinemas in Manukau followed by a picnic in David Nathan Park.

Session Code: L2 Day Trip

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$50

## WED 14 JAN

### CELEBRATE SUMMER

Take part in lots of great summery games and activities. Bring togs and towel for wonderful water activities.

Session Code: M1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

### VIDI VIDI VICI 5-DAY COMEDY-DRAMA WORKSHOP with Vic Leilua

Take the cue and perform in a short comedy play next Friday. Experience the thrill of putting on a show and learn some top tips about stagecraft.

When: Wed 14 Jan, Tue 20 Jan, Wed 21 Jan, Thu 22 Jan and Fri 23 Jan

Session Code: M2 Arts Class

Suitable for: Ages 8+

Cost: \$200

## THU 15 JAN

### ZANY!

It's time to put your feet up and enjoy crazy cartoons on the big screen with popcorn and tantalising treats.

Session Code: N1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

### CALLIGRAPHY

with Yu-Mei Lin and Siniva Williams

Calligraphy is the art of beautiful handwriting. This is a great chance to make your own wonderful examples of Chinese calligraphy and also try some popular, modern calligraphy styles.

Session Code: N2 Arts Class

Suitable for: Ages 8+

Cost: \$40

## FRI 16 JAN

### GET UP AND GO!

Delight in a day overflowing with sunsoaked playtivities including a disco brimming with big and bouncy beats.

Session Code: O1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

WEEK FOUR: 19 - 23 JAN 2026

ALL SESSIONS RUN  
9AM – 3PM

MON19 JAN

MAGICAL CREATURES

Let your imagination run wild and create enchanting mythical creatures from folklore and fantasy like dragons, fairies and unicorns!

Session Code: P1 Fun Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

TUE20 JAN

SPEND THE DAY IN THE SUNSHINE

Bring your togs /towel for fun-filled water activities.

Session Code: Q1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

WED21 JAN

RELAXATHON

Unwind with relaxing indoor and outdoor games, movie screenings and more.

Session Code: R1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

THU22 JAN

MIX N/ MATCH 2.0

Pick and mix your favourite activities on the day

Session Code: S1 Fun Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$30

BEDAZZLED

with Cass Mcquoid

Get super creative and work on glittering art pieces including bedazzled marine art and vibrant and colourful rangoli.

Session Code: S2 Arts Class

Suitable for: Ages 8+

Cost: \$40

FRI23 JAN

HUMOURNOVA

Enjoy a day devoted to making you laugh out loud. In the afternoon you will have a chucklesome time watching the rib tickling short play Vidi Vidi Vici.

Session Code: T1 Theme Day

Suitable for: Ages 5+

Cost: \$40

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**Keen to enrol in our School Holiday Programme?**

Visit us to pick up an enrolment form or scan the QR code, fill it out the form on this page and send back to us.



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**FURTHER INFORMATION**

**Programme:** The programmes run Monday to Friday, 9am–3pm (excluding public holidays), for children aged 5–13 unless stated otherwise.

**Lunch:** All-day bookings include a supervised lunch break from 11:30am–12:30pm, please pack a healthy lunch.

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**Before & After Care:**

Free before care is available from 8–9am.  
After care runs 3–5pm at \$5 per hour.

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**Child Safety:** Nathan Homestead Pukepuke provides a safe, high-quality OSCAR approved school holiday programme with experienced staff and tutors. There is a staff/child ratio of 1:10 onsite and 1:8 for day trips.

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**Accessibility:** Most areas are wheelchair accessible, except for the first floor of Nathan Homestead.

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**Payment** can be made with cash, eftpos or automatic phone payment. Please email your enrolment forms only if you are making a phone payment.

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**The full course fee must be paid in advance and at the time of enrolment. Your booking is confirmed once payment is made.**

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WINZ subsidies are available on application.

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