Music Department Events 2026

Event	Date	Description	Location
Term 1			
PUSH PUSH celebrating 35 years w/ FORK	21st February	Fork opening for Push Push	Original Kaipara Tavern - Helensville
Crying Ivy Release Party w/ FORK - ALL AGES	4PM - 28th February	Fork opening for Crying Ivy, with Text to Speech	WHAMMY BAR - Auckland
Crying Ivy Release Party w/ FORK - 18+	8PM - 28th February	Fork opening for Crying Ivy, with Castlegarden	WHAMMY BAR - Auckland
Maihiihi Metal Mayhem	6-7 March	Fork playing on 7th March at Maihiihi Metal Mayhem with tons of other local bands from across NZ	Maihiihi - Hamilton
Relay for Life at Otamatea	Mar 11, 2026	6pm start: Bream Bay College Student Band performing	Otamatea High School
Waipu Easter Carnival	Date 4th April	Entertainment from 9 til 2: Singing and acoustic acts from 9 til 10:30 Schoolbands from 12:30 to 2	Waipu Caledonian Park
Term 2			
Rockquest Entries Close	1st May		
NZ MUSIC MONTH GIG WEEK:	11 - 15 May	Rockquest bands and more show love for NZ Music	Auditorium
Showquest	27 May		Forum North

Tangata Beats	29th May		TBC
Northland Rockquest Heats	29 May		TBC
Woodshed Gig w/FORK	30 May	Beagle Radio - Live at the Woodshed - Eventfinda Tickets	Woodshed Whangarei
TEST w/ Fork, Skumlord and Seremoni	Friday 5 June	Fork open for Brazilian Grindcore band TEST **TICKETS:** TEST (Brazil) NZ Tour - Beer And Loathing, Whangarei - Fri, 05 June 2026	Beer & Loathing, Whangarei
Music Night	12 June Week 8	Our Annual Music Department Showcase Event	Auditorium
Northland Rockquest Regionals	Sat 13 June		TBC
Core on the Shore w/ Fork,	Friday 26 June	All ages gig with other Heavy Rock, Metal and Hardcore bands!	Shore Junction - Auckland
Sweet Treat Punx w/ Fork, Bunchy's Big Score and Boxer Priest	16 July		WHAMMY! Bar. Auckland
Term 3			
School of Rock	TBC	30 Primary School students become rock stars	Music Department and Auditorium
Term 4			

Junior Music Evening	TBC	Celebration of Junior Music	

	School Event
	Panimals Performance
	External Event
	Online Event/ Competition
	FORK

2025 Events

Love It Here	14 Feb, 2025 4pm-8pm	Busking type performance part of 'Love it Here', festival
Moana Festival	1st March: 1pm	Moana Music Pop-Up Music Series: The Panimals
Relay for Life at Otamatea	20th March	6pm start. Fundraiser looking for bands. Fork
Opera in the Garden	22nd March	Event by Opera North Featuring Gabriella & Kaiser
Relay for Life	29th March	12-1:15. The Panimals & Fork
Ruawai Community Festival	5th April: Festival 25	Panimals performance: Indoor. Perform at 10:30
Waipu Easter Carnival	19th April 9 - 2	Opportunity for Live Music performance
Waipu Easter Market Busking	19th April	Panimals Busking at street market- Weather dependant
Battle of the Bands!	19th April	Fork competing in the Battle of the Bands Heats
Junior Songwriting Competition (Years 9-11)	Closes 30 April	Play it Strange
Kaitaia Metalfest IV	3rd May	Fork celebrating NZ Music Month with other metalheads
Panimals 10 year Anniversary	5th May	10 Years of Steelpan at Bream Bay College
Panimals EP Release	May 9, 2025	4 song EP
NZ MUSIC MONTH GIG:	Lunchtime May 15th	Rockquest bands and more show love for NZ Music
Music Night	May 20th	Our Annual Music Department Showcase Event
Battle of the Bands	May 22nd	Fork competing in the BOTB Semi Finals
Year 6 Transition Day Performances	23rd May	20 Mins Performance from 11:10 for Year 6 Students
Peace Song Competition	Closes 30 May	Play it Strange
Kings Birthday Waipu Busking	1st June	Panimals Busking at street market- Weather dependant
Chamber Music Competition	June 3	Instrumental Music Competition

Panissimo Chamber Music Regional Finals	14th June	Auckland - afternoon
Northland Rockquest Finals	June 27th	External Event
Fork National Final Video Submission	June 30 to July 1	Set up band and recording equipment and lighting. Video performances.
National Songwriting Competition 2025 (Years 9-13)	Closes 16 July	Play it Strange
Waiata Reo Māori Competition	Closes 31 July	Play it Strange
Springboard Gig 2025	2 August	Fork playing at ONEONESIX with other young musicians
Classics in the Classroom	12th August	Classical Music performances in the Classroom . 5:30pm
Year 6 Transition Day Performances	Friday Week 5	20 Mins Performance from 11:10 for Year 6 Students
Whangarei Battle of the Bands	23 August - 9pm	Fork competing against local bands
Whangarei Battle of the Bands Finals	30 August - 8.30pm	Fork competing against local bands
Album Art Competition	Closes 31 August	Play it Strange
BandQuest	Term 3 TBC	Year 7 & 8 Band Competition https://www.rqp.co.nz/bandquest
NPAC Vocal Competitions	September 19-21	Classical singing competition
Maritime Festival Whangārei	Oct 11 & 12	Panimals performing Sunday Afternoon

Music Department Album Recording	June - August	Recording taking place of original music. Details TBC
School of Rock	Oct 28/29 TBC	Ruakākā, Waipu and One Tree Point primary schools combine to make 5 bands over two days mentored by our musos
Junior Music Event	Term 4 Week 4 Oct 23	Junior Music Showcase: Auditorium
Sport and Culture Awards Evening	Oct 22	Celebrate Cultural Success
Halloween Gig	Oct 31	Fork at the Butter Factory with Skumlord