

Winter Rail Upgrades – plan your train during these school holidays (28th June to 13th July 2025)

The biggest and most transformational rapid transit development for Auckland is the City Rail Link. It will be worth the wait. Before it opens in 2026, critical work on Auckland’s rail network must be delivered first. This work will unlock faster journey times, fewer delays and trains every 4-5 minutes at peak.

The majority of this work will be delivered over holiday period closures our partners can safely work on the tracks and tunnels.

This includes the winter school holidays from Saturday 28th June to Sunday 13th July 2025..

Buses replace trains

During rail closures, AT will provide a range of alternative public transport options by bus.



Winter school holidays	Saturday 28 th June to Sunday 13 th July 2025	No trains running between Puhinui Station and Pukekohe Station on the Southern Line. Reduced frequency on the Western, Eastern and Southern Line. Onehunga Line retains 30 minute all-day frequency.
Partial Western Line closures	Saturday 12 th July to Sunday 13 th July 2025	No trains running between New Lynn Station and Swanson Station.

Travelling along the Western Line

Western Line trains will be operating on a single line between Henderson and Swanson. Trains will use one track to travel in both directions, pedestrians must look both ways when using pedestrian level crossings.

Western Line trains will run at a reduced frequency of 20 minutes all day between Waitematā (Britomart) Station and Swanson Station.

During peak times in the peak direction, trains will continue to run on a 10-minute frequency between Waitematā (Britomart) station and New Lynn Station.



	WEEKDAY MORNING PEAK: 06.30-09:30	ALLDAY	WEEKDAY EVENING PEAK: 15.30-18:30	EVENINGS
Travelling from Swanson towards the city	Every 20-minutes plus every 10-minutes between New Lynn and Waitematā (Britomart).	20-minutes	Every 20 –minutes.	Every 30-minutes
Travelling from the city towards Swanson	Every 20-minutes	20-minutes	Every 20-minutes plus every 10-minutes between New Lynn and Waitematā (Britomart).	Every 30-minutes

Partial closure between New Lynn and Swanson from 12th to 13th July

From Saturday 12th to Sunday 13th July 2025 no trains will run between New Lynn Station and Swanson Station. This means the following stations will be closed: Fruitvale Rd, Glen Eden, Sunnyvale, Henderson, Sturges Rd, Rānui, and Swanson Station. A rail replacement bus RBW will stop at all stations between New Lynn and Swanson stations throughout this weekend.

Western Line trains resume full frequency from Monday 14th July 2025.

For more information

Visit at.govt.nz/winterupgrades
Phone 09 366 6400
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Travelling along the Eastern Line

Trains will run at a reduced frequency of 20 minutes all day between Waitematā (Britomart) Station and Manukau Station.

During peak times in the peak direction, trains will continue to run on a 10-minute frequency between Waitematā (Britomart) station and Otahuhu Station.



	WEEKDAY MORNING PEAK: 06.30-09:30	WEEKDAY EVENING PEAK: 15.30-18:30	WEEKENDS
Travelling from Otahuhu towards the city	Every 10 minutes stopping at all stations	Every 20 minutes	All day: 20-minutes Evenings: 30-minutes
Travelling from the city towards Otahuhu	Every 20 minutes	Every 10 minutes stopping at all stations	All day: 20-minutes Evenings: 30-minutes

Eastern Line trains resume full frequency from Monday 14th July 2025.

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Travelling along the Southern Line

No trains will be running between Puhinui and Pukekohe Station. Southern Line trains will start their journey at Manuaku Station before stopping at Puhinui Station towards the city centre. Trains will run at a reduced frequency of 20 minutes all day between Waitematā (Britomart) Station and Puhinui Station.



	ALL-DAY WEEKDAYS & WEEKEND	EVENINGS	PM PEAK: 15.30- 18:30
Travelling from Puhinui towards the city	Every 20-minutes	Every 30-minutes	Every 20 minutes
Travelling from the city towards Puhinui	Every 20 minutes	Every 30-minutes	Every 10 minutes stopping at all stations

Southern Line trains resume full frequency from Monday 14th July 2025.

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Travelling along the Southern Line

During the partial closure on the Southern Line, rail replacement buses including an express bus will run between Puhinui and Pukekohe stations.

The Rail Bus South (RBS) will stop at the following stations: Puhinui, Homai, Manurewa, Te Mahia, Takaanini, Papakura, and Pukekohe Station. The RBS will run on the following schedule:



Weekdays

Peak: 10-minute frequency
Interpeak: 20-minute frequency
Late-evenings: 30-minute frequency

Weekends

All day: 20-minute frequency
Late-evening: 30-minute frequency

The Rail Bus Southern Express (RBSX) is an express service that will only stop at the following stations: Puhinui, Papakura, and Pukekohe Station. The RBSX will run on the following schedule:



Weekdays

Every 20 minutes, Monday to Friday in morning and evening peaks only

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Travelling along the Onehunga Line

The Onehunga Line will not be impacted during the winter school holidays and will continue to run at an all-day 30-minute frequency.



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Accessible options when trains are not running

If your mobility device is too big to bring on a bus, customers can book a free mobility taxi through AT's Contact Centre (09 366 6400). It is recommended to book a few days before travelling to ensure you can be accommodated at your desired time. During the school holiday rail upgrades, this service will be available to travel between Puhinui and Pukekohe stations.

All trains resume full service from Monday 14th July 2025.

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