

Friday 18 March 2022

Week 7 Term 1

Kia orana, Kia ora, Malo lelei, Talofa lava, Namaste, Fakalofa lahi atu ,Bula vinaka, Ni hao, greetings to all whānau and friends of Flat Bush School,

This week it has been nice to see many more of our FBS learners return to school and we hope to see even more learners back next week too. We are hopeful that we have moved through the worst of the COVID-19 wave, thank you to all of our FBS whānau for keeping us up to date throughout the past four weeks.

We start Week 8 on Monday and we have just under four weeks left until the end of the term, this makes every day so important as our teachers are working incredibly hard to help our children make up for lost time. I have included the overall school attendance data and look forward to seeing this improve over the last part of our term.

We are looking forward to the time when we will be able to move on from the drop/off and pick up system that is in place for the start and end of the day. We are all missing seeing our children's whānau in our school and as soon as we know that we can remove this requirement we will let you know. Our school continues to be a place in which our children are fully supported and this includes our daily Breakfast Club, fruit at morning tea and Free school lunches for everyone.

At FBS our children do not need to bring money to school unless it is for a school trip and in that case we will always let our whānau know via a newsletter or through Skool Loop App and our normal social media platforms. Wishing all FBS whānau a safe and happy weekend, the weather has been very nice this week and I hope this continues for us all.

TEAM KAKANO						
R23	Rm 2	Rm 5	Rm 6	Rm 7	Rm 8	
52%	61%	54%	58%	65%	63%	
TEAM WHANAKE						
Rm 9	Rm 11	Rm 12	Rm 13	Rm 14	Rm 15	Rm 21
58%	62%	63%	61%	68%	54%	54%
TEAM PANEKIRETANGA						
Rm 10	Rm 16	Rm 17	Rm 18	Rm 19		
62%	64%	61%	69%	68%		

Flat Bush Forever!!

Mr Avatea

Proud to be your Principal

2022 Flat Bush School Council

Congratulations to the following FBS Year 6 learners who have been selected to be this year's School Council. Check out our school's **Facebook** page where you will be able to watch each Councillor's profile video.

Rm 10: Faith Ngatae and TJ Ale-Leiataua

Rm 16: Simrah Kumar and Li'amania Gatoloai

Rm 17: Faapaia Tauvela Toloa and Hayzill Vailea

Rm 18: Tyler Milne, Miah Morton and Tyler Seau

Rm 19: Taise Lu'uga, Ocean Williams and Vaughn Mataia

School Water Bottle

FBS have been working with the University of Auckland on a research project that studies the impact of drinking water on children's learning and development. The University has donated 450 water bottles to our school and our children will have received one this week. We have made an effort to name them and encourage our FBS whānau to help personalise your child's bottle. You will see that the University has provided a sturdy, robust and high quality metal water bottle, thank you UOA.



Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple

This week we were visited by our friends from the Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple in Botany. They were gifting our school some resources to help us in our defence against COVID-19. We are looking forward to next term when our

school will be going for a trip to the temple and all of our learners and staff will be able to learn more about this beautiful space. Hopefully we will also be able to take some FBS whānau as parent helpers for this trip.



Check out FBS updates on Facebook, Instagram, Youtube or our school website www.flatbush.school.nz









Friday 23 September 2022

Week 9 Term 3

Kia orana, Kia ora, Malo lelei, Talofa lava, Namaste, Fakalofa lahi atu, Bula vinaka, Ni hao, greetings to all whānau and friends of Flat Bush School,

This week we have had lots of exciting events taking place in our school. These have included a visit from the Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Mangere Kapahaka group on Wednesday, they shared a very powerful performance with our school. It was a lovely way to lead into our very first House haka and waiata competition which took place on Thursday. Congratulations to Rimu, our winning House. We are very proud of the hard work and effort all of our learners and staff have put in, it was a great event. We also had our school's Rugby team play at Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate on Wednesday, our boys played another strong game and came away with a well deserved win.

To end the week we have a group of Team Panekiretanga learners visiting Tiritiri Matangi Island, this is a wildlife sanctuary that is only accessible by ferry and is also home to the only operating lighthouse in Aotearoa. All up, another busy week for our FBS learning community, hopefully whānau have booked their time for next week's Celebration of Success afternoons on Wednesday, or Thursday.

Please book on our Skool loop app or by returning booking slips to the office.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY QUEEN'S MEMORIAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY









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This week's newsletter editors were: Tyler Seau and Ava Cocoza

FBS WRITERS SHOWCASE

This term we will be sharing pieces of our learner's writing from classrooms across our school. This week we have authors from Room



Tongan Language Week

The best thing about Tongan Language week was eating the panikeke on Friday. It was like bread. It was yummy. I liked the scavenger hunt too, it was so much fun.

By Tokoteru

