



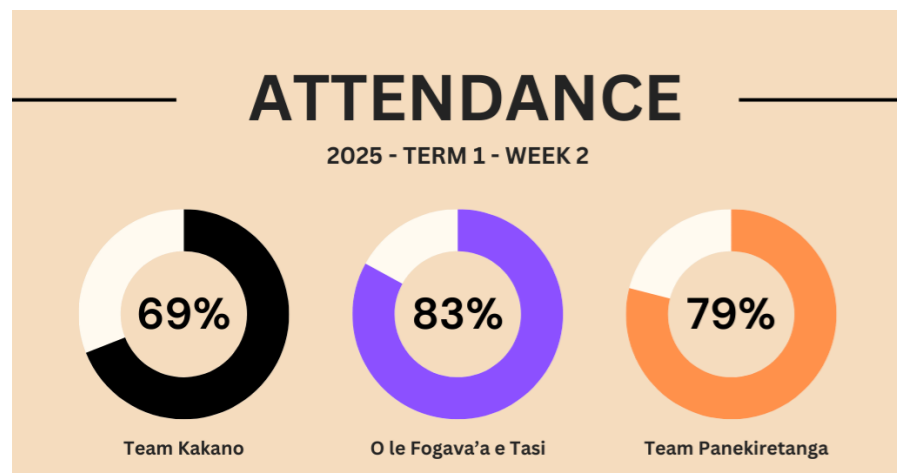
Friday 14 February 2024

Welcome back everyone! It is so good to see our fabulous tamariki back at school looking well rested and eager to learn. This year we welcome two new wonderful teachers to our kura. We have Mrs Sulu in Room 8 and Mr Avatea (Jnr) in Room 11. Unfortunately Mr Avatea (Jnr) has injured his leg and will return in week 5. Until then we have Mr Stanley in Room 11. Mr Avatea (Snr), has a secondment with the Ministry of Education for the year where he will be sharing all his amazing knowledge with Pasifika principals. Many of us attended his powhiri at the MOE and we are all very proud of him. He will return in 2026.



I am excited to be the Acting Principal, Ms Fernando is the Deputy Principal and Mrs Togiatu is the Associate Principal for 2025 and we are all looking forward to the fantastic year ahead. You may have noticed that a few of our staff have also moved teams and classes and they are enjoying the opportunity to work with different year groups and build relationships with their students and whānau. Today we officially welcomed our new students and whānau with a whakatau. A huge thank you to all those who attended and we look forward to connecting with you all. Welcome to our FBS whānau! We have some builders onsite at the moment who should be finished in the next week levelling out our drains and making sure that our classrooms are accessible to all students. Our next project this term is the building of a bike track on the field so watch this space! Enjoy the fantastic weather and stay safe.

**Mrs Janetta Mayerhofler - Acting Principal**



-Thursday 20th 3.30 Talanoa Ako begins in Te Whare with Mrs Aneru and Mrs Fonohema  
 -Friday 21st February - 9-2.30 School picnic at Totara Park - all whanau are welcome to meet us there

**Reminders**

- Monday 17th school closes 2.30 for Kahui Ako staff mtg (shorter lunch time)
- Thursdays - swimming Yrs 3-6 - bring togs and towel
- Fridays - water play Yrs 1-2 - bring water play clothes/togs and towel
- Students should be wearing hats at break times
- Healthy food for morning tea and lunch

**Events coming up next week**

-Wed 19th 3.30 Maori Hui with Mrs Young - all Maori whanau invited



Kia Ora,

Happy New Year! I hope you've had a great start to the year.

At sKids, we're excited to launch Flavour Detectives—a fun culinary journey where children will explore and celebrate cuisines from around the world! Over the next few weeks, our programme will introduce kids to recipes from countries such as Italy, India, and Mexico, giving them hands-on experience

with global flavors.

🔍 Calling all young food explorers! 🌍🌟

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Join us for **Flavour Detectives** and discover the secrets of your favorite cuisines! 🍷🍷

- ♦ **Feb 19** – Italian 🍝🍷
- ♦ **Feb 26** – Indian 🍛🍷
- ♦ **March 5** – Mexican 🌮🍷

Your little chef will **chop, mix, and taste** their way through delicious recipes while learning essential cooking skills.

📍 Limited spots available - [Book Now!](#)

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**Photos of today's whakatau for our new students and whanau**



**Mr Avatea's powhiri at the Ministry of Education**

