



Friday 5 May 2023

Week 2 Term 2

Kia orana, Kia ora, Malo lelei, Talofa lava, Namaste, Fakalofa lahi atu , Bula vinaka, Ni hao ma, Xin chāo, Salam alaikum, greetings to all whānau and friends of Flat Bush School, This week we have had a lot of wet weather and I commend all of our learners and their whānau for not allowing this to stop them coming to school. In Week 1 our Attendance All Stars were Room 18 with an attendance rate of 96%. Last week was a short week and this week we have had a full, five day school week. We announce our Attendance All Stars each Monday at Talanoa Time, FBS whānau are warmly invited to join us as we start each school week. We also announce the Tidy Kiwi Class and share celebrations and updates that are taking place in our school as well as singing waiata together, it is a truly beautiful start to our school week.

Term 2 signals the start of Winter Sports and FBS have started training after school for our Interschool League tournament which is taking place on Friday, May the 25th. We had many training sessions in Term 1 from which we have selected our Tournament teams as well as a team to compete in Term 3 when we play Manurewa South School.

We are now starting to work towards selecting our school's football (soccer) teams for the Interschool tournament that is held in Term 3. This week we had a muster to see how many of our Senior learners want to play football. We had a huge response and have divided them into two groups, and they will train before school on either Monday or Wednesday from 8am-8.45am. This will take place for two weeks and will help us to see who is fully committed and attending training. FBS is again working with South Auckland Rangers Football Club Coach, Dan Amosa to train and upskill our learners.

We also have a group of Team Panekiretanga learners participating in the Ōtara Sports Cluster (OSC) Manaakitanga Festival next Friday at the Manukau Velodrome. This is a non-competitive event which encourages participation and giving new sports a go. We have 24 learners attending and they will be coming home with information for their whānau about this event, today.

Each of our teaching teams have been working hard, great to see Team Kakano head out to watch the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch show on Wednesday. They travelled to the Mangere Arts Centre and from all accounts the show was very much enjoyed by our Junior learners.

Please keep sending in your survey responses, we had a good number come in this week and with our whānau voice and opinion we will be able to make the most informed choice for all of our FBS learning community.

Thank you to all of our FBS whānau for your support and encouragement for our learners and staff. As a school we can achieve anything when we are all working together.

Flat Bush Forever!!

Mr Avatea

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS AT FLAT BUSH SCHOOL

### OSC MANAAKITANGA SPORTS FESTIVAL



FRIDAY MAY 12TH 9.30AM-2PM

**SOCCER TRAININGS FOR  
THOSE TRIALLING FOR OUR  
SCHOOL TEAMS  
MONDAY/WEDNESDAY  
8AM-8.45AM  
WEEKS 3-4**



### sKids Mother's Day Competition

Greetings friends and family of sKids.



In honour of all Mothers and Grandmothers, sKIDS is running a free competition to win a \$50 MOVIE VOUCHER at EVENT Cinemas.

All you have to do is post your favourite photo of you and your mum, or you and your children to enter. Please also write why your mum is the best mum in the world!

The winning entry will be the photo that gets the most likes, so get sharing and get your family and friends to like your photo! Closing date will be Thursday 11 May at 6pm.

Good luck.

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**Falcons Rugby  
League Teams  
After school trainings  
Tue-Thu  
3.15pm-4.15pm**



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