



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

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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'amanía 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 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,



Last Friday we had an amazing end to our Tongan Language Week, our House assembly in which we performed the lakalaka and mauuluu was a time of great excitement and wonderful energy. We extend our congratulations to Latu Va'inga (Yr 5) and Ta'imalie Fonua (Yr 6) who represented our school at the Auckland Primary School's Tongan Language Speech competition. This was held at Sutton Park School in Mangere last Thursday. Both of our boys did a wonderful job in preparing and presenting their speech. We are very proud of what they achieved with the support of their fāмили and Mrs Fonohema.



This week has been another busy one for all of us at FBS, it has been great having the opportunity to celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori and we have been learning waiata and haka for next week's assembly. This will be taking place on Thursday, September the 22nd at 11am (under our COLA) and all FBS whānau and friends are warmly invited to join us.

This week we have sent home booking times for our Celebration of Success afternoons that are taking place on September 28th and 29th. Bookings can be made on our Skool Loop App or by returning your booking time to the school office. We are looking forward to seeing all of our FBS whānau join us so we can celebrate together the wonderful work our learners have been doing this term.

This week saw the end to the Covid-19 Traffic Light system and we no longer need to wear masks in school. If any FBS learner or staff member wish to wear a mask they are most welcome to, we will not be supplying masks at the gates. Thank you to all FBS whānau for your ongoing encouragement and support for your school. Flat Bush Forever!!

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

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 13 and room 5

My Dad:

My Dad is super helpful because he helps us set up the trampoline.
My Dad has short black hair.
My Dad has the loudest snore, he sounds like a Grizzly bear when he snores.
I wake up really early when he snores.
When it is time for my Rugby game I like it when my Dad says "have fun".
My Dad's talent is being a musician.
My Dad's band is called 'The Brotherhood' and everytime he comes back from playing at a gig he has lots of money.
My Dad is a cool Dad!

Written by Locrian Age: 6

