

Friday 18 October 2024 Term 4 Week 1

Kia ora, Kia orana, Malo lelei, Talofa lava, Namaste, Fakalofa lahi atu, Xin chào, Bula vinaka, Nǐ hǎo ma, မင်္ဂလာပါ, शाला, 안녕하세요, Bonjour, Mhoro, Kumusta, Kumno, Greetings to all whānau and friends of Flat Bush School,

We have had a great start to the term and it has been really nice seeing our tamariki back at FBS. This week both Team Kakano and Whanake have had trips out of school as part of their learning programmes. Term 4 is always a busy and exciting time at FBS and we have lots of events and happenings to look forward to.

On Monday at our Talanoa Time we acknowledged our 37 FBS learners who had **100% Attendance in Term 3**. This is a great effort and this term we aim to have even more of our learners reaching the 100% mark. Attendance continues to be an area of focus for all schools in Aotearoa, at FBS we know that we have our highest attendance (whole school) on Wednesdays and lowest (whole school) on Fridays. (see table below)

Which days and weeks had the highest and lowest attendance in Term 3, 2024?

	Highest		Lowest	
Day(s) of Week	Wednesday	87%	Friday	78%
Day(s) of the term	04/09/2024	89%	27/09/2024	67%
Week(s) of the term	Week 1, 22/07/2024	85%	Week 10, 23/09/2024	81%

This term our aim is to increase our overall Attendance and with your support we know that we can do it. Having our FBS learners at school every day is a great way to ensure that they make the maximum learning possible. As you can see from the diagram below, regular absences add up over time and definitely impact on our children's learning and achievement. We know that Every Day Counts and Every Moment Matters and with the support of our FBS whānau and hapori we can lift up our Flat Bush School Attendance Rate.

Thank you for your ongoing encouragement and support of your school, it is greatly appreciated.

"Every Day Counts"

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem that much but...

If your child misses	that equals	which is	and over 13 years of school that's Nearly 1.5 years Over 2.5 years	
1 day a fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year		
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year		
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years	
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years	

Mr Avatea **Proud to be your Principal**

