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Week 2 Term 2

Kia ora, Kia orana, 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 started with a huge number of our wonderful learners absent from school on Monday. As the week has progressed the number of our learners absent from school has improved considerably. I would like to thank all whānau for supporting us to get our learners to school every day.

As I shared in the newsletter that was sent home on Tuesday we provide warm and dry classrooms, breakfast, and lunch if needed as well as fruit, milk and other assorted snack food items. If your child has no lunch please do not keep them home, send them to school because we have the ability to provide this for them. At FBS this is not an issue or made out to be a big deal, we deal to the need so that we can get on with the job of learning. Learning is our core business, and with our learners at school every day we will achieve this objective.

TEACHER'S STRIKE

As you may be aware, negotiations between the Ministry of Education and the teacher's union (NZEI) have not been progressing well. Recently teachers from both Primary and Secondary Schools voted to reject the Ministry's latest offer and have elected to strike on Wednesday, May the 29th.

Our school will be closed for instruction on this day as we do not have the capacity to provide a programme of learning. Further information closer to the date will be shared with our FBS whānau.

OTARA COMMUNITY HUI

Tomorrow there is a Community Hui taking place at Kia Aroha College from 3pm-5pm. In attendance will be the Mayor of Auckland, Phil Goff as well as other Auckland City Councillors and possibly our local MP, Jenny Salesa. The opportunity to discuss the vision and future of our community will be made available. If FBS whānau are able to attend the invitation is warmly extended to you all.



I would like to wish all of our FBS learners who are participating in Winter Sports all the best for their games tomorrow. Let's hope the Warriors can get a win tonight, two in a row would be nice.

**Kia manuia,
Mr Avatea
Proud to be your Principal**

Last week's math challenge winner was Antonio Turi Fa'aoso Room:13

This is the learning culture in Room 20.



In Whiria Nga Tamariki our learning journey is displayed using a rakau and nga manu. The meaning for our display is centered around the tree and birds because it reflects us as learners.

We chose the rakau because we believe that if we are to be successful we need to stand strong and tall like Tane Mahuta. We want our mana to support our learning journey.

We chose the birds because as learners we want to spread our strong wings and fly to greater heights.

Our journey will not always be straight forward, but that's ok. As a whanau we will tautoko (support) each other on this incredible learning journey.

By Hazel Mane Reid

Our learning tree was made by the lovely Whiria Nga Tamariki.

It is about the learning journey we will take to succeed.

The learning culture for us is stated around our rakau (tree).

By Moana Robinson

Our learning tree is about connecting with each other and helping each other, so we can do incredible things like working as a whanau. These things are important for our successful learning journey.

By Akaysha Smith

