



Flanshaw Road School

"Growing Leaders Of Tomorrow"

Newsletter No.2

Week 2, Term 1.

5 February 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S LAPTOP



Our roll today is 314

Thought for the Week



MISTAKES
are
proof
that
you are
TRYING



School Day

The school day starts at 8.55am.

Please ensure that your child has a good night's sleep and is up on time for school. If they are late, they need to report to the office for a green, late slip.

Change of morning tea time

Morning Tea:
10.30am – 11.10am

Lunch Break:
12.40pm – 1.30pm

School closes: 3.00pm

Joke of the Week

What is a snake's favourite subject at school?

Hisssssssstory!

Thank you all for your ongoing support, as we all get back into school routines. Often at the end of the summer break, students are used to staying up later in the evenings, staying in bed longer in the mornings and getting to places when they get there. With school starting back, days are more intense, school timetables replace holiday routines, and more organization is needed. Certainly that is the case in our household.



Teachers and staff attended a professional development training day last Friday, focused on conflict resolution. Peer mediation is not new, but the challenge of introducing it school wide, into every classroom is. There are four key steps that we use to solve low-level conflict at school -

- To listen to each side and paraphrase what the issue seems to be with each person
- To summarize what the issue/s are – and get agreement from both parties that this is the case
- To brainstorm possible solutions together
- For each person to agree on the best solution going forward

Research from the world-renowned 'Dunedin Study' tells us that self-regulation - that is, the ability to manage our behaviour - is the most critical indicator of success in life. To have a kete of skills to problem solve minor conflicts, is important to learn, to use and to add to. At Flanshaw, we are all working on it.

Next week, on Friday 14 February, we invite all our new students, staff, teachers and whanau to a Whole School Powhiri. This will take place at 10.00 am in the school hall. If you are able to attend, please go to the staffroom at 9.45 am. Our student leaders will be there to guide you through this formal welcome to our school.

Finally, we hope everyone has a great Waitangi Day. At Flanshaw Road School, our goal is to normalize the use of Te Reo and tikanga of Te Kawerau-ā-Maki. We also want to ensure our tamariki learn our local history, as it really happened, so as to better understand the significance of Ti Tiriti o Waitangi. *Rangi hari Waitangi. Happy Waitangi Day*

Regards, Dr Cherie Taylor-Patel

Whanaungatanga - New Parent Meeting

If you are new to Flanshaw Road School, we hope you have begun to get to know people in our community. We would like to invite you to a 'New Parent Meeting' at 9.00am on Monday, 17th February, in the school staffroom. It is an opportunity to meet other new parents, to meet some of the school staff and to learn more about our school. Pre-schoolers are welcome too. We look forward to seeing you there.



Family Fun Night – 'Whanau @ The Whenua'

We have planned a 'Whanau Fun Night' for Thursday 27th February. This has, traditionally, been an annual event and an opportunity for parents and whanau to gather, enjoy a BBQ / picnic dinner and then meet the teachers and staff who will be working with your children this year. Please put this on your calendar.

Starting at 5.00 pm, there will be food on sale, or you can bring a picnic dinner. Around 6.00 pm, we will formally welcome people and introduce the 2025 teachers and staff. From there, you will be invited to go to classes and meet your children's teacher's and the parents and whanau of other children in the class. It would be great to see you there.

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS

Meet Our Newest 5 Year Olds



Kawakawa Class

Waitangi Day – Tomorrow is a Public Holiday!
See you at school on Friday.



Harakeke Class at 9.30am today

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YEARS 7-13 CATHOLIC CHAMPAGNAT MARIST SCHOOL FOR BOYS

OPEN DAY

Enrolments for Years 7, 8, and 9 in 2026
Limited enrolments at other levels

Thursday 6th March 2025 | 9:30am or 1:45pm

Assembly in the College Chapel, followed by a tour of the school

STPAULSCOLLEGE.CO.NZ | 183 RICHMOND ROAD, PONSONBY
(Parking available on-site)

Group Guitar Lessons



We are fortunate to be able to provide Free Group Guitar Lessons with Nick Cebalo, for our Year 5 and 6 students. They will need their own guitar and to purchase the required music book. If you would like to take up the opportunity, please contact the school office for an enrolment form.

Scholastic Book Club

Brochures have been sent home today. Orders, including online, close 12 February 2025.

READING

is to the
MIND
what
exercise
is to the
BODY.



Any questions, please see Angela Noone-Jones

Public Health Nurse

Shalet Raju is our Public Health Nurse who looks after our school. If you have any concerns about your child, please come to the office for a referral form.



Board of Trustees' News

The next Board of Trustees' Meeting
Monday 17 February, at 6.30pm
In the Staffroom



Calendar of Events

6 Feb	Waitangi Day Public Holiday
14 Feb	Whole School Powhiri - 10.00
27 Feb	Family Fun Night 'Whanau @ the Whenua'
11 April	Term 1 Ends
28 April	Term 2 Starts
25 th April	ANZAC Day

Stay Hydrated

If you can, please provide your child with a water bottle. The days are hot and children need to stay hydrated, to get them through the day. Some children only take a few sips at a time from the water fountains. Our blue water fountains are filtered and they can refill their bottles at them. Please have a talk to your child/children, about drinking throughout the day.



Change of Address or Mobile?
Please contact the School Office

Online Payments at Flanshaw

You can transfer funds into our school bank account to make payments easier. We bank with the ASB and the account number is: 12-3071-0231037-00. If you transfer funds into our bank account, add your child's name and what it is for ie: uniform. Please email Katie, our School Bursar, to advise her and state what the payment is for. Katie's email is: katie@flanshawroad.school.nz. You can download a uniform order form from our website.