

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S LAPTOP



**Our roll today is 320**

**Thought for the Week**

**"TO LEARN A LANGUAGE  
 IS TO HAVE ONE MORE  
 WINDOW FROM WHICH TO  
 LOOK AT THE WORLD"**  
 CHINESE PROVERB

**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.

**Morning Tea:**  
 10.20am - 10.55am  
**Lunch Break:**  
 12.40pm - 1.30pm  
**School closes:** 3.00pm

**Joke of the Week**

**Q: WHICH DINOSAUR  
 KNOWS THE MOST WORDS?**

**A: A THESAURUS**



Welcome to International Languages Week. Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa, Malo e leilei, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō ni, Bula Vanaka, Nameste, N h o, Nei hou, Ayubowan, Xin chàois, Lín-hó, Annyeonghaseyo, Asalaam walaikum, Konnichiwa, Hola, Kumusta, Guten Tag, Dobar dan, Bonjour, Ciao, Dia dhuit, Halò, buon giorno and greetings. We have had a great week learning about languages and cultural backgrounds from students across the school. One of the highlights was the 'Cultural Shared Lunch' that saw students trying traditional foods from different cultures – some for the first time. Thank you all for your support of this event.



This week, kaiako and tamariki have begun to turn their attention to the forthcoming Student-led Conferences. Happening on **Monday 1 July**, students will be sharing different aspects of their learning and what they have achieved this term with you, their whanau. Conferences will be interactive, personalized and forward focused. As well as learning about your child's progress in learning from them, Student Portfolios will provide a summary of progress and achievement to date, along with samples of work, student self-assessments and teacher assessments. Both forms of assessment are valid. Both are important when setting out 'next steps for learning'. Please put this date in your calendar.

Another date for the calendar is the Matariki Festival. Schools in the Te Atatu cluster will be gathering at the Te Atatu Peninsula Community Centre on **Thursday 27 June**. Our Flanshaw Road School Kapa Haka and Cultural Groups will be performing between 11.30 am and 12.30 pm. We will also be showcasing some of the 'wearable arts' costumes classes have been creating this term. Whanau are welcome to attend this event, which runs from 9.30 am until 3.00 pm.

Finally, we will have a change of teaching staff in Term 3. Trina Atwell, teacher in Harakeke Class, is going on Maternity Leave at the beginning of next term. Because of this, we will be welcoming Tracy Leaoa back to Flanshaw Road School, to teach Harakeke Class in Terms' 3 and 4. We wish Trina all the best for this year and look forward to her returning to school in Term 2 of 2025.

*Regards, Dr Cherie Taylor-Patel*

## International Language Week

This week we are celebrating International languages week. Speaking my language helps me with lots of things like my language and my culture. My family are from China and my Mum and my Grandma and Grandpa came here by plane. I was born in New Zealand but my mum and dad were born in China. Ms Harkess has made a video about people at our school who know different languages. We are also doing a competition at school, so you need to guess how many languages are in this school to win the prize. Happy International languages Week!

By Lydia, Kahikatea Class.



## COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS

# Cultural Food Day

Thank you to the parents who contributed food for our students cultural shared lunch. There were some amazing feasts in the classrooms, and everyone had very full tums afterwards.



## Board of Trustees' News

The next Board of Trustees' Meeting  
 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July  
 6.30pm in the staffroom

## Calendar of Events

17 <sup>th</sup> June	Rerenga Zoo trip
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Rangeview Year 6 Taster
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Garden to Table Market Day
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Jump June Event
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Rippa Field Day
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Kapa Haka Performance Te Atatu South Community Centre
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki School Performance
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki Holiday
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Student led Conferences. School will close at 12.30pm. Conferences will then start.
5 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 2
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Term 3 Starts
26 <sup>th</sup> July	Grandparents Day

## 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.



## 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 Badrul, our School Bursar, to advise her and state what the payment is for. Badrul's email is: [badrul@flanshawroad.school.nz](mailto:badrul@flanshawroad.school.nz)  
 You can download a uniform order form from our website.

# Important Notice

**Student Led Conferences**  
**Half Day – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July**  
**School will close at 12.30 this day**

*Forms will be coming home next week*

