Te Ara o te Ra

Flanshaw Road School

"Growing Leaders Of Tomorrow"

Newsletter No.36 Week 6, Term 4. 19th November 2026

From The Principal's Laptop





It has been a busy week. Three senior school teams went to a Te Atatu Cluster Cricket Field Day, on Tuesday. They had close games all day, played extremely well and gained a lot of experience in competitive cricket along the way. Thank you to all our teachers, staff and parents, who were able to support our teams at this busy time of year. On Tuesday evening, we had a final post-camp meeting, for parents who attended Finlay Park camp this year. Once again, I would like to thank the parents, staff and teachers, who made this year's camp such a special learning experience for our tamariki.

Wednesday saw Rerenga classes travel into town, using a mix of bus and train public transport, to visit the Auckland Museum. They enjoyed exploring the Karanga-ā-Hape train station layout, and all the museum has to offer, including the new dinosaur exhibition. In class, students have been focused on completing end-of-year assessment tasks, and a range of Term 4 projects.

We were hoping to open the school pool this week, but this has been delayed after it was vandalized last weekend by a group of teenagers. As a school, we appreciate how much our community uses our school grounds, but it is disheartening when facilities are not respected. We also need to ask you all to keep an eye out for people who have been taking vegetables from our gardens. Without vegetables to harvest, there is nothing to take from 'garden to table', or to harvest for a Market Day, which funds seedlings for the next round of planting. Our school is a public facility. It is a place where all public laws apply. With your help, it will continue to be a great place for all the community to spend time.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Yang Huang, teacher in Kowhai Class, on becoming a fully registered teacher this week. Yang has been a teacher at Flanshaw for two years and during that time has worked hard to develop her teaching skills. Te Ara o te Rā Yang. The world is your oyster.



Regards, Dr Cherie Taylor-Patel.

Our roll today is 391.

Thought for the Week



Weekly Attendance Report
13th – 19th November

97%

School Times

The school day starts at 8.55am. Report to the office for a green slip if you are late.

Morning Tea: 10.30am – 11.10am

Lunch Break: 12.40pm – 1.30pm

School closes: 3.00pm

Absent Students

Please call, email or use the Skool Loop App, to notify the school office by 9.30am, if your child is not attending that day.

If we do not hear from you, we will ring you to see where your child is.

Jokes of the week

Why did the ice cream go to school?

To get cooler!



Events Coming Up





Community & School News

Cross Country Photos











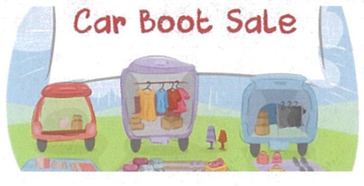






Car Boot Sale – Thursday, 3rd December

If you are interested in having a space at the Car Boot Sale, please contact the school office. This will be on the grassed area, inside the Flanshaw Road School gates. Cost per space is $15.00 and runs from 4.20pm to 7.00pm.



Board of Trustees' News

The next Board of Trustees' meeting: Tuesday, 8th December.

Calendar of Events

16- 27 Nov	Dental Van on site.
24 Nov	Cross Country Cluster Day
3 Dec	Car Boot Sale 4.20 -7pm
11 Dec	Certificate Assembly & Portfolios go home
14 Dec	Year 6 Graduation 7.00pm
16 Dec	Trophy Assembly End of Term 4 – Last Day- School Closes at 12.30pm
2027	Term 1 Starts Tuesday, 2nd February 2027

Kowhai Kids Club

End-of-Term & Summer Holiday Programme

Kowhai Kids Club Flanshaw will be **open on the last day of term, Wednesday 16th December, from 12:30pm–6:00pm**.

- **12:30pm–3:00pm:** $19.00
- **After 3:00pm:** Usual after-school rates apply

And then… get ready for summer fun! Our **Holiday Programme** will run from **17th to 23rd December** and **11th to 29th January 2027** at the **Flanshaw Road School Hall**, 51 Flanshaw Road, Te Atatū South.

Part-time enrolments, sibling discounts, and Work & Income Oscar subsidies are available.

Brochures are available online.

Enrol now: www.kowhaikidsclub.co.nz

0800 552 582 | 0277 831 826

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Come join us for games, activities, friends, and loads of summer sunshine!

Online School Payments

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.