



Newsletter No.27

# Flanshaw Road School

"Growing Leaders Of Tomorrow"

Week 7, Term 3.

28th August 2025

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S LAPTOP



Our roll today is 348.

### Thought for the Week

"Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going."

### 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  
Please pick up your child/children on time.

### 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

What did one plate say to the other plate?

Dinner is on me!



Thank you to everyone for accommodating our first 'Curriculum Teacher Only Day' last Friday. Teachers had a positive day of learning, which we know will flow through to classroom programmes.

This week, Flanshaw Road School hosted the local Te Atatū Cluster Netball Field Day. Flanshaw teams had a great day out, with our Flanshaw Year 6 girls' team winning the 7 a side competition and all our teams having a great day out. Several people commented on our students' exemplary behaviour and how friendly they were. I would like to acknowledge the work Greg Patel, Tracy Leaoa, support staff, coaches and parents did, to ensure the day went like clockwork.

Speeches have been an oral language focus in Term 3. As we all know, speaking in public is a skill that we all admire when done well. Making a speech in public is also something many people fear. It takes courage to stand in front of an audience, to put your best self forward and then hope what you say is well received. Kia kaha to all our Year 3 to Year 6 students, who have practised and presented speeches this term. Councillor Shane Henderson judged our Year 5 and 6 finalists today – and he had a tough job trying to pick a winner. Congratulations to all our speech finalists for 2025. You set a high standard for yourselves and those coming after you.

Through the news this week, our government has implied that some schools are not open for the required number of days each year. Just so you know, every day Flanshaw Road School is closed for a 'Teacher-Only Day' or for Student-led Conferences, it is made up. To hear we are to be 'checked up on' feels a little heavy-handed, especially when we are already supplying the Ministry of Education with attendance data every week.

Regards, Dr Cherie Taylor-Patel.



## Te Atatū Zones Netball

An awesome day at the Te Atatū Zones.

All teams playing at least 5 games each with most back to back.

A special mention to our undefeated 7 a side team winning their competition with a close final but beating the opposition by one goal!

The day wouldn't be possible without our awesome parent helpers, Wagma, Paula, Mo, Ash, Ofa & Faiese who were coaching, reffing, medics and cheerleaders. Also, to an ex FRS student Harper for helping ref.

Thanks Mr Patel for making sure the competition was organised and keeping on top of the draw.

Champions & undefeated 7 a side



6 a side pool A



6 a side pool B



## COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS

### Correct Flanshaw Uniform

Please make sure your child/children arrives at school, dressed in the correct uniform.

We are seeing different bottoms, ie (skirts, trousers, track pants, leggings and shorts), worn by both girls and boys plus non-regulation jackets and jumpers (Flanshaw hats only).

Orders for other uniform items can be made anytime. The order is emailed to the company on a Monday morning before 9.30am and is delivered to us by Wednesday, unless out of stock with the suppliers.

As we do not have a shoe policy, we would prefer footwear to blend in with the uniform, black, navy or white trainers (a little bit of colour is ok), sandals with backs on and no jandals, or crocs for safety reasons.

Shoulder length hair, girls and boys, must be tied up or back, this is to avoid catching nits (head lice). If your child does have nits, we have free nit shampoo in the school office. Please just come and ask.



### Second Hand Uniforms

Flanshaw urgently needs second hand uniforms, for the sick bay and to pass onto families in need. Please can you bring them to the office. This will be much appreciated. Please supply your child with a change of bottoms if they like to play on the field, it is still very muddy.

## Teams and Groups Wednesday, 3rd September



Photos will be taken of the following:-

Kapa Haka Senior/Junior Groups, Cultural Group, Student Council, Writers Group, Enviro Team, Librarians, Chess Group, Patrol Team, Guitarists.

### Board of Trustees' News

The next Board of Trustees' meeting

### Calendar of Events

29 Aug	Daffodil Day Kawakawa Class Assembly
3 Sept	Team & Group Photos
12 Sept	Matai Class Assembly
15–21 Sept	Maori Language Week
16-17 Sept	Arts' Show
19 Sept	Last Day of Term 3



**ENROL NOW FOR 2026**

5 KERU PLACE TE ATAU SOUTH  
OFFICE HOURS: 8:30AM – 4:30PM

**ENROL ONLINE**

[www.rangeview.school.nz](http://www.rangeview.school.nz)

We have some Enrolment Folders, at the Flanshaw office, please ask!

## 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 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](mailto:katie@flanshawroad.school.nz)

You can download a uniform order form from our website.

## SORE THROATS MATTER

They can lead to rheumatic fever and heart damage

If a child has a sore throat, get it checked every time



[sorethroatsmatter.org.nz](http://sorethroatsmatter.org.nz)

If your child has a sore throat...

Get it checked

Throat checked by health worker

If strep A throat, then antibiotics are needed

Make sure your child finishes the full course of antibiotics

No rheumatic fever

Happy healthy heart

If not checked

Throat not checked by health worker

Sore throat may be a strep throat and doesn't get treated

Rheumatic fever develops and can lead to rheumatic heart disease

Heart damage

Heart problems for life

Ask your children to tell you when they have a sore throat so it can be checked.

Together, we can help our young people grow up with strong healthy hearts.

**Why do sore throats matter?**

Sore throats can be caused by a certain type of bug (strep A bacteria). If this bug is not treated, it can cause rheumatic fever and heart damage for life.

**What is rheumatic fever?**

It is a serious disease caused by a strep throat. It can make children very sick and cause heart damage. This can mean a lifetime of feeling breathless and tired. Rheumatic fever may also shorten their life.



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