



Flanshaw Road School

"Growing Leaders Of Tomorrow"

Newsletter No.28

Week 7, Term 3.

7th September 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S LAPTOP



Our roll today is 395.

Thought for the Week



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 - 10.55am
Lunch Break: 12.30pm - 1.30pm
School closes: 3.00pm

Jokes of the week

Q: What musical instrument is found in the bathroom?



A: A tuba toothpaste.

Winners from Last Week's Newsletter

Ice-blocks went to:
Ryder & Bailey
Maatai & Telua
Alisha & Jimmy

Well done ☺

There are some key strands of work, all our classes are engaged in at present. One of these is a focus on persuasive writing; another has been speeches. Oral language is the foundation upon which all other language skills are built. As part of the English curriculum, speeches are an annual event from Year 3 until Year 6 at primary school, at intermediate school and at high school, at least until Year 10.



This Friday, we have Senior School Finalists doing their speeches in the school hall. While I wish everyone luck for Friday, every student who has written and presented a speech this term is a winner. Students may not know but, when you ask adults their worst fear, many say "Public Speaking!". It is a hard thing to do. It takes courage, but, it is also one of the ways students develop resilience and self-confidence. Each time students push through their anxiety or fears, they learn that they "can do it", usually better than they ever imagined!

During the week, I have had the privilege of observing teachers and students, engaging in a range of activities linked to literacy, mathematics, science, enviro-work, technology / robotics and the arts. Like the students, our teachers are always working to add new skills and strategies to their 'teaching kete', or 'basket of knowledge'. All I can say is, we have a team of great learners, who want to be the best teachers they can be.

On Wednesday, students were part of a school-wide focus on Emergency Procedures. This was to ensure everyone in the school knows what to do in different types of emergencies, such as a fire, an earthquake or a 'lockdown'. After students worked with Wade Harrison from TEW, the whole school practiced a 'lock down drill' - which we hope we will never need to use!

Finally, all classes are now fully into developing their part of the 'school show'. This event is a celebration of creativity, dance, drama, visual art and music. Thank you to all the parents who have been helping out with props and costumes. Tickets are on sale next week, at school, and we hope to see family and friends on Thursday, 28th September, at this very special community event.

Until next week, regards, Dr Cherie Taylor-Patel.

Letter For Parents After Lockdown Exercise.

Flanshaw Road School has been working with an independent company, Harrison Tew, that specialise in Emergency Management Plans for schools and educational facilities. The procedures implemented allow us to respond safely and quickly to a range of circumstances. Our entire school including our students, have all participated in training sessions and the response and interactions was very positive.

Yesterday, we conducted a school-wide lockdown exercise under the guidance of Harrison Tew. We are pleased to inform you that our students responded safely, maturely and with a controlled urgency.

The lockdown is now a part of our emergency procedures. We will be implementing emergency protocol exercises each term to ensure all staff and students remain familiar with our processes.

Should you hear of a lockdown or evacuation at the school, can I please ask that you do not visit the school or phone, as we will not be able to respond. Your presence or contact may make it more difficult for us, or the emergency services, to manage a situation.

Any information pertaining to an emergency occurring at the school will be undated on our website as regularly as possible.

We thank you for your support.

PhotoLife CLASS & PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS



If you have missed out on sending your class photo form, it's not too late. Either return the envelope to the school office tomorrow or follow instructions on your form at home and pay by internet banking.

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS

Flanshaw School Production
'Give the Music Back'

Thursday, 28th September, 2017
Venue:
The Trusts Arena, Central Park Drive, Henderson North
7.00 p.m – 9.00 p.m
Tickets will be available soon!

Maori Hui Invite

Maori Parent Hui – Thursday evening 14 September – 7.00 pm in the staffroom
Maori Parent Hui – Friday morning 15 September – 9.00 am in the staffroom
We will be reviewing our Maori Strategy Plan and prioritizing tasks for Term 4, 2017.
All welcome.

Our Lockdown Drill

I went to the hall to learn what to do in an emergency. At school it was my first Lockdown. I had to lay down. I was quiet. I was scared. Finally Mrs Reid came to tell us we could get up.

By Eloise J



Akeake Class

Middle Syndicate Speech Finals

Last Wednesday, Team Rerenga had their Speech Finals. All students who participated in the finals showed pono and mana motuhake. All Rerenga teachers (who judged) were very proud of their students, and found it very hard to select place-getters. The top 3 students in each year group were as follows:

- Year 3**
1st Place – Holly K (Rimu)
2nd Place – Ruby M (Kowhai)
3rd Place – Kayne McG (Rimu)
3rd = Brooklyn S-B (Rimu)
- Year 4**
1st Place – Annabel A (Totara)
2nd Place – Taiven M (Kauri)
3rd Place – Georgia B (Kauri)



My Opinion! Goldilocks and the Three Bears

I think Goldilocks' behaviour is bad because she went into a house without asking. She also broke Baby Bear's chair. "she ate all of Baby Bear's porridge too."

By Nathan B - Pohutukawa

I think Goldilocks is a thief. First she broke Baby Bear's chair. She also slept on Baby Bear's bed. I think Goldilocks shouldn't have slept on the three bears' beds.

By Ruby W - Manuka

I like bears because they have claws. Goldilocks has a bad attitude. Baby Bear is sad because Goldilocks ate his porridge.

By Jovious M-L - Pohutukawa

Goldilocks should knock on the door first. Goldilocks ate the porridge. It made Baby Bear sad. I think Goldilocks should not eat Baby Bear's porridge without asking.

By Manu S - Manuka

Board of Trustees' News

The next Board of Trustees' meeting.
Date to be decided.

Calendar of Events

8 th Sept	Enviro Burger Day
22 nd Sept	Mobile Library Bus 11.15am – bring your library card and your borrowed books.
23 rd Sept	Flanshaw School Hall open for Election Polling Booths
24 th Sept	'Daylight Savings' starts – clocks go forward one hour.
28 th Sept	Production
29 th Sep	End of Term 3
16 th Oct	Term 4 Starts
15 th Dec	End of Term 4

Plastic Bags

Please can you bring clean supermarket bags to the office.



Fertiliser (Liquid Gold), is available at the office. This product is fantastic for vegetable gardens, flowers and fruit trees. Each sachet will make up 10litrs, when mixed with water.

Cost: \$2.00

Communication Audit 7/9/17

For your child/children to be in the draw for an ice-block, please fill out this return slip. I have received and read the weekly newsletter from: _____ Room _____

Signature: Parent/Caregiver
Return to office on Friday morning.