



FOREST VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

TERM 1





Term 1 Round Up for Parents.

As the end of Term 1 rapidly approaches, it's time to reflect on the events of a very busy time which has been consumed with learning opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom - some of which are described in detail further on in this newsletter.

I am sure that you will be familiar with the saying, 'It takes a village to raise a child'. Our students are absolutely blessed to have so many dedicated teachers and whānau walking alongside them throughout their journey. I am grateful to all who continue to make good things happen for our students.

As we reach the end of a very busy Term I would like to wish you all the very best for a restful and enjoyable break. I hope that you come back refreshed and ready to learn.

As was announced at Senior Prizegiving at the end of 2023, Mrs Hale will be on a planned sabbatical during Term 2 and I will be continuing in the role of Acting Principal.

Katharine McGovern (Acting Principal)



FVHS Ball 2024

From the amazing rides, beautiful dresses, smart suits, and great music we had an evening to remember.

We would like to give a big thanks to everyone who helped make the ball come to life.

Shoutout to the Event Girl for all the work they put in setting up our Coastal Glow; and toogoodnz for making the time for us to be able to use their 360 camera. Thanks to our Food Team for putting on a delicious array of finger foods for the night.





Athletics

Congratulations to all of our students who competed in our school Athletics event, results as follows:

Junior Girls Champion - Lauren Hill

Junior Boys Champion - Troy Allan

Intermediate Girls Champion - Autumn Curtis

Intermediate Boys Champion - Lennox De Vorms

Senior Girls Champion - Kellahni Glassie

Senior Boys Champion - Joshua Barrett



Congratulations to the students who represented FVHS at the Waikato Zonal Athletics Competition:

Bella Banfield

Tia Kamire

Tanea Griffin

Troy Allan

Jacob Tuakana-Natua

Samantha Swan

Byron Brown-Dixon

Joshua Barrett

Dre Cook-Nelio

Nikolau Talawadua

Kellahni Glassie

Lennox de Vorms

Solomona Fuimaono

Jay Percival





Congratulations to Troy Allan and Tanea Griffin for representing FVHS at the WAIBOP Athletics Championships that took place in Tauranga, in which more than 50 schools competed.

Tanea placed 7th in the junior boys discus, and Troy placed 5th in the junior boys 800mts event.



International Women's Day Celebrations

On Friday 8th March, our Year 12 and 13 girls were invited to attend the International Women's Day Celebrations at the Events Centre.

This event was arranged by the South Waikato District Council and was an enjoyable way to celebrate women, and inspire our own young women in their future endeavours.

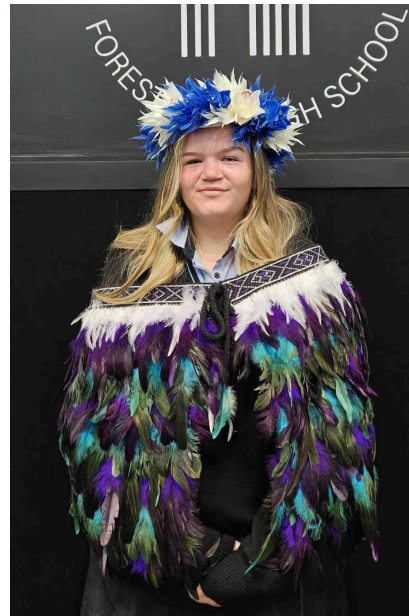
The keynote speakers for the morning were Anna Mowbray - a Tokoroa girl who co-founded multi-billion-dollar toy manufacturer Zuru, and has just launched a new job app called ZEIL; along with Lisa Tamati who was the first Kiwi woman to complete the BadWater Ultramarathon, 217 kms of running through Death Valley in the USA. Such amazing role models for our young women to look up to.





Head Students:

Our Head Students have had a busy term learning about their new roles. They have organised and run two full school assemblies, led the Ball Committee and attended a leadership day in Hamilton. The group will also be representing our kura on ANZAC Day and warmly invite members of our school whānau to join them as we remember with respect and gratitude those who have sacrificed so much to ensure that we enjoy the freedoms of today.
Georgia Gilla, Krizza Gabay, Ocean Gulde, Solomon Fuimaono
(Head students 2024)





Tupaia Tapasa Quest Waikato Secondary Schools dance competition - University of Waikato



Two of our cultural groups, Te Piringatahi and Porinetia Fa'atasi, combined to represent FVHS at the Tupaia Tapasa Quest held at Waikato University recently. Our students worked extremely hard in a short amount of time to prepare, and did a spectacular job. Thank you to all staff and whanau that helped in this experience. Special thanks to Mr. Aaron-Lee Mutua and Whaea Kaia for coordinating and leading our students in this cultural journey.





Congratulations to our FVHS Kilikiti team who won the mixed teams tournament in Hamilton. A team made up from different cultural backgrounds learning and embracing the Samoan way of playing cricket.



Year 9 News

Term 1 of 2024 for the Year 9 students at FVHS has been nothing short of a whirlwind of activity and growth. From the successful camp that provided ample opportunities for students to bond, embrace their strengths, and develop resilience, to the various engaging activities such as kayaking, waka ama, and mountain biking, it has been a term of adventure and self-discovery.

While navigating the expectations of secondary school, students have been guided in learning about Junior Certificate Learning (JCL), and adapting to diverse teaching styles and class dynamics. This journey has been supported by the effective and talented Arataki teachers, alongside the dedicated kaitiaki, who have found joy in encouraging young minds and fostering maturity and educational skills.

Celebrations have been a frequent occurrence in Year 9 assemblies, with students being recognised for their successes through certificates for excellence attendance, courageous compassion, and being fearless friends. These accolades, chosen both by teachers and peers, underscore the supportive and inclusive atmosphere we are cultivating within the school community. The assembly focus will shift towards proficiency in Raukawa's karakia, cultural heritage stories, and kapa haka, alongside literacy skill improvement in Term 2.



Year 10 News

In an exciting development, our Year 10 students and their classes are gearing up for an active year ahead with the arrival of brand new sports gear.

Thanks to the efforts of our dedicated school, our students will now have access to top-quality equipment to enhance their lunch time experiences. From basketballs to soccer balls, tennis rackets, these resources will not only promote health and fitness but also foster teamwork and sportsmanship. We can't wait to see our students thrive as they embrace these new opportunities for growth and achievement.





Year 11 News

As we look back at the end of our first term, the Year 11 students at FVHS have had a wide range of new experiences. Starting with subject selection and the creation of their own timetables, to the first NCEA assessments of their school careers, it has been a term of learning the new, establishing routines, and managing a whole new level of responsibility.

During this term our Year 11's have already established a strong start to the year, competing in sporting events, performing in school bands, learning a new NCEA system as well as navigating the style of learning that comes with the progression to NCEA Level 1. We have celebrated success with our middle school assembly looking at the great attendance of many of our students. Furthermore, we must celebrate the accomplishments of our students who have now completed their first assessments in their classes.

Looking towards next term, the Year 11's will be continuing to gain knowledge and experience in a variety of classes, trips, events, and activities whilst they work towards gaining the first level of their NCEA.

Year 12 News

Year 12 Camp started this Tuesday 9th, for three fantastic nights in the vibrant city of Tamaki Makaurau. Our students had a fantastic time bowling, rafting and more!

Day 1

We kicked off the trip by stopping at Pokeno, for nothing other than an ice cream for breakfast. We arrived at our accommodation, unpacked and headed straight to the Sky Tower. For some of our students this is the first time they have been into the heart of Auckland city.

The students then went on a scavenger hunt that took them all around Auckland CBD for them to familiarise themselves with some iconic landmarks, while the teachers took up the chance to roam on the scooters.

We are currently doing tenpin bowling and movies, to wrap up the evening.

Day 2



We started the day off with white water rafting, kayaking & stand up paddle boarding. We threw in some shopping therapy, whizzed across Auckland to have a dinner experience at the Auckland Night Markets, & wrapped the evening up with Ice Skating.

Day 3

We caught the Fullers Ferry across the Auckland Harbour to Rangitoto Volcanic Island. Although the day looked gloomy, it turned out to be the best hiking conditions, which aided our student's excitement. We hiked all the way up to the summit, and explored the various huts around the island. Rangitoto is a beautiful island to visit, and a place that our students will now be able to say 'I know where that is, I've been there.'



Year 13 News

Our year 13 students have been embracing the opportunities of their final year of high school. In particular many have been investigating options for life after school by attending a variety of presentations by tertiary providers and employers. During Term 2 there will be the opportunity to further expand their knowledge with campus and industry visits.



Thank you

As we draw to a close on this term 1 round up, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed and engaged this term. Your involvement is what makes our school community vibrant and connected.

Remember, our school thrives on collaboration and communication. If you have any feedback, suggestions, or contributions please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

As we look forward to the upcoming events and activities, let's continue to support one another and celebrate the achievements of our students and staff. Together, we can make this school year truly remarkable.

Warm regards

