

# Term 1 2019 Calendar

5	25 BOT Meeting Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons BOT 6pm	26	27 Information Evening	28	March 1 Family Merit Assembly
6	4 Assessment Week Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	5	6	7	8
7	11 Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	12	13	14	15
8	18 Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	19	20	21	22
9	25 Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	26	27 School Photos	28	29 Sausage Sizzle
10	April 1 Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	2	3	4	5 School Disco
11	8 Girls Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	9	10	11	12 Last Day of Term 1 Family Merit Assembly

**Parking on Staites Drive North- Before and After School:** If you are doing a 'kiss and drop' in the mornings please use the stone wall entrance/carpark or directly out the front of the school; please keep moving. If you are staying a while at school, you should use the main carpark or the many parks by the stone wall; staying to pay money or staying to visit your child's teacher or staying to drop a cake to the staffroom.



## Postgate School Newsletter Term 1: Week 5 2019

### Mission Statement

**To Create Life-Long Learners**  
**“Energy is contagious, positive and negative alike. I will forever be mindful of what and who I am allowing into my space.”**

### Supporting statement:

**We will promote life-long learning in our children by developing their social, intellectual, emotional and physical skills in a creative and caring environment.**



**“Together, We Learn and Achieve”**  
**“Ma te mahi ngatahi,**  
**ka tu pakari te matauranga”**

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ERO Report:

<http://www.ero.govt.nz/review-reports/postgate-school-17-05-2016/>

February 25, 2019

## **Kia ora whānau**

**Help Needed:** Do you live in Cannons Creek? Can you help a family out for a four-week period? A family needs transport for their daughter, who is in Year 3, in getting to and from school. The family are more than happy to help with petrol costs. Please let Adam know if you can help the family out.

**Postgate School Information Evening. Meet the Team:** Please remember to come along THIS Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February. Let's all get along.

We are very fortunate to have Kris Faafoi- MP for Mana, Mike Tana- Mayor of Porirua, Leanne Pearson from NZTA, Paul McArdle from Bikes in School and Rachel Scott from Partners Porirua joining us.

There will be a couple of Bouncy Castles, a lolly scramble, and Cycle Track cake as added incentives for you to come along and join our community.

The plan is...

- All families are invited to Postgate School on Wednesday to meet the school community, including staff, other families, and students
- Families are invited to come to Postgate School from 4:30pm for a Picnic Dinner; BYO. We'll try to source a couple of BBQ's for families to use. However, it is CYO (cook your own)
- Teachers will either be in their classrooms or outside. All classrooms will be open for you to have a look through and also to look through your child's books and an excellent opportunity to discuss current learning goals and what your child is learning to do in the classroom
- The PE gear will be out and a couple of bouncy castles will be here as well
- Staff will be available for you to introduce yourself to and go through your child's classrooms; although you can do this at anytime
- Key representatives from your Te Whanau Kaitiaki, Pasifika Advisory Group and Board of Trustees will be here for you to meet
- At 6pm, we will have the official opening of our cycle track, where we will thank key agencies and people who have made this venture possible. After this there will be a lolly scramble and cake for you to eat
- At 6:30pm, all Year 7/8 families will have a Camp Meeting, where the teachers will share with you key information about their camp this year

The information we were going to talk to you about is with today's newsletter.

**Family Merit Assembly:** Our first Merit Assembly is this Friday with a 2pm start. If your child is receiving an award a staff member will make contact with you at least by the Monday prior to the assembly.

**School Picnic: Thank You:** We'd like to thank the following people:

- Evan and Anne Lealiifano for the bread
- Peter, Glory and Grace Bossmann-Toleafoa for the sausages

- Kelvin, Nicole, Samantha and Christina (our new teachers) for planning/organising the Picnic
- The dads on the BBQ for cooking for approximately 500 people. Yes, near on 500 people; over 300 children and over 150 adults
- The mums who sorted the dads and ensured the bread was in piles ready to go
- The many families who joined us today. What was evident was the caring nurturing nature of our community. Many parents were looking out for many children; parents in the pool drowning whoever wanted to be drowned, parents playing cricket with children, parents sharing food with those around them. Whether a child had family there or not, I'd be confident in saying, every child was well cared for. Many parents took a days leave, either annual or sick, to join us today. That is very special and means a lot to us and your child. We really appreciate the investment you make in our school and in your child
- Our staff who worked hard all day ensuring children were safe and enjoying themselves

If you have any recommendations or thoughts on how we could improve our Picnic Day, please let us know.

### **The Arts - We need your support!**

**We** are looking for a musician(s) that are available to accompany singing sessions with our students. We meet weekly in syndicate groups to learn new songs and practice old ones, and would really benefit from a live musician for accompaniment. Perhaps you know a retired musician that would be interested?

**We** are also looking for musicians who would be interested in leading a Year 7/8 group in preparation for the 'Battle of the Bands' competition in Term 3.

**We** are still collecting bottle tops and lids for our 'Bottle Top Mural'. Send them along to school (washed please!). We are going to need thousands of tops and lids, so keep collecting them in all shapes and colours.

If you are interested in helping out as a musician or mural artist please contact Heather at [heather.browne@postgate.school.nz](mailto:heather.browne@postgate.school.nz) or pop into see her in Room 14.

**Prayer Group:** Our school's Prayer Group (a Christian interdenominational parent's prayer group) meet every Monday morning at 8:45am in our Staffroom. Pre-schoolers are welcome (with their parents of course!).

**BOT Elections:** At the start of June we have our Board of Trustees Elections. We have three positions up for renewal. There is a hui at Aotea College to give you a greater insight if you are interested. Please refer to the attached flyer.

**Thanking you for your support.**

**Maururu kotahi ano koutou mo to koutoa tautoko o Postgate School.**