

# Term 1 2019 Calendar

8	18 Ole Football Good Time Music lessons Powhiri for Maori Nurses	19	20 Te Whanau Kaitiaki hui- 6:30pm Staffroom	21 Early Reading Together Programme 6pm	22
9	25 Ole Football Good Time Music lessons BOT Meeting	26 Parumoana Cricket Tournament	27 School Photos	28 Robbie Freau Rugby. Year 5/6 Early Reading Together Programme 6pm	29 Sausage Sizzle
10	April 1 Ole Football Good Time Music lessons	2	3 Year 8 Ocean Sports Programme	4 Year 8 Ocean Sports Programme Maori Nurses leave Principal Conference	5 School Disco Principals Conference Gumboot Friday
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. With wetter weather coming the parking situation becomes even more important. We have to get it right for the safety of all our community. I am ready as I have brought a high vis jacket that fits! You can't miss me now!



## Postgate School Newsletter Term 1: Week 8 2019

### Mission Statement

## To Create Life-Long Learners

**“Darkness cannot drive out darkness;  
only light can do that.  
Hate cannot drive out hate;  
only love can do that”.**

**- Martin Luther King Jr**

### 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:

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March 18, 2019

# Assalamu alaykum - Peace upon you

**Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau**

## **Te Whanau Kaitiaki Meeting:**

Ko Lady tōku ingoa; ko Rongomaiwahine, ko Ngāti Kahungunu nga iwi tūturu. Ko au te māma o Holden, Stallone & Legend; ngā taurira kei roto i te kura o Postgate.

Kia Ora - my name is Lady. At our final TWK hui last year I was voted-in as Rangatira for this roopu.

## Facebook

I will be posting regularly on FB, here is the link to our FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1384880351811576/>

I would like to get to know you all and encourage you to come to our first TWK hui for 2019 on: **Wednesday 20 March at 6:30pm in the Staffroom.**

## Agenda:

- Karakia
- Whakawhanaungatanga – ko wai koe? Ko wai ahau?
- Waharoa update
- Kapahaka progress
- Matariki plans
- General Business
- Karakia

**Te Whanau Kaitiaki/Pasifika Advisory Groups:** People, from outside of Postgate and new Postgate families, ask why we have a Maori and Pasifika Advisory Groups. There are two short answers; The Treaty of Waitangi and equity.

We all understand equality, however, this notion of equity is a bit foreign to some. I've attached a picture to best demonstrate that equity may look like in any setting. Basically, equality is about sameness; equity is about fairness. The number one challenge facing the New Zealand education system is to achieve equity and excellence in student outcomes.

Our school system is characterised by increasing diversity of students and persistent disparities in achievement. Although many young people achieve at the highest levels in core areas such as reading, mathematics and science, the system serves some students less well.

The *“Ministry of Education Statement of Intent; Priority Outcome 1 Improving education outcomes for Maori learners, Pasifika learners, learners with special education needs and learners from low-socio-economic backgrounds.”* Translated in straight talking speak; We have to change the statistics for our priority learners to maximize the contribution of education to the New Zealand economy and Maori and Pasifika learners continue to be underserved by the education system.

Our Advisory Groups' are open to all members of our school community, you do not need to be Maori or Pasifika however the focus of these groups are on Maori and

Pasifika achievement and success. We are open to establishing other advisory groups. Postgate School is a community asset and for us to grow/strengthen/succeed we need you and your family committing to our success.

**Second Year Whitreia Maori Nurse Students:** Today we welcomed 13 Maori Nurses to Postgate School. The nurses will be with us for the next toru weeks. Please make use of their ever growing expertise.

**Wini's Wednesday (Wini's Ra Apa):** Kia ora for your support (taikoko) last wiki for Wini. The generosity and support you showed demonstrates once again why Postgate is a special place; over \$1500 was raised. Wini is very humbled and appreciative of your support.

**Movin' March (Hiko Maehe):** Still going. For those children who go to before school care or have to be dropped to school in the morning, just get moving when you arrive; either around the cycle track or around the playground.

**Early Reading Together Programme:** Hayley and Heather have their second ERT session this Thursday at ono (6) pm. The programme runs over toru (3) weeks. If you missed the first session and want to find out more, please see Hayley.

**Nude Food (Kai) Days Are BACK!** This started last Wednesday. Teachers will share photos of what Nude Lunches look like

Nude Food means that all items in your child's lunch box/bag have to be wrapper free, like no rubbish. In this day and age that may prove a challenge to some families, however, it can be done. Just a bit of creative thinking.

We will be asking any child who does bring waste/rubbish/wrappings to school, to take it home with them. Small steps towards a greater good.

**School Photos:** A reminder that our school photos are on Wednesday 27 March. Information was sent home last week. If you would like a Family/Sibling photo, please remember to complete the request form on the card that was sent home and return to the office before photoday. Remember, you don't pay until you received your personalised order envelopes, generally two weeks after photoday. Any questions please ask either Lesleigh or Jacqui.

**Postgate Honey Jars (Te huni honi):** Please remember to return your honey jars and if you'd like to purchase some more, this can be done through contacting Mike on Facebook- Harris Road Honey. A larger jar sells for \$12

**Basketball Opportunity:** Term 1 U13 Girls 'Skills and Drills' basketball sessions. For girls born 2007, 2008 or 2009. Wednesdays at Windley School, 4:30-5:30pm. Starts Weds 13 March. Then 20 March, 27 March, 3 April, 10 April. No charge.

**Thanking you for your support.**

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

**Hei kona mai**