

Term 1 2019 Calendar

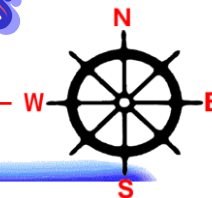
10	April 1 Good Time Music lessons Teacher Talk	2	3 Year 8 Ocean Sports Programme	4 Year 8 Ocean Sports Programme Principal Conference	5 School Disco Principals Conference Maori Nurses leave
11	8 Good Time Music lessons	9	10	11	12 Last Day of Term 1 Family Merit Assembly

Term 2 2019 Calendar

1	29 Powhiri for new students and families Badminton	30 Badminton	May 1 MoveMprove starts Year 1-6	2 MoveMprove Year 1-6	3
2	6 Badminton	7 Badminton	8	9 Mothers' Day Stall	10
3	13 Bot Meeting 6pm Badminton	14 Badminton	15	16	17
4	20 Badminton	21 Badminton	22	23	24
5	27 Samoan Language Week Badminton	28 Badminton	29	30	31 Family Merit Assembly
6	3 Lizzy's Birthday No school	4 Badminton	5	6	7
7	10 Badminton	11 Parumoana Cross Country	12	13	14
8	17 BOT 6pm	18	19	20 MoveMprove finishes Year 1-6	21
9	24	25	26	27	28 School Disco
10	1	2	3 Learning Conferences	4 Learning Conferences	5 Family Merit Assembly End Term 2



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Postgate School Newsletter Term 1: Week 10 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**“Kāore te kumara e kōrero mō tōna ake reka-
The kumara does not say how sweet it is”
- Maori proverb**

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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April 1, 2019

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau

Time to Meet with Your Child/ren's Teacher/s: This is happening this afternoon. From looking at the booking sheets, many parents have taken the opportunity to come and talk with their child and their teacher about learning and moving forward. I can also see that many parents have taken the time throughout Term 1 to talk learning with their child's teacher. Thank you for being proactive.

Postgate School Expectation Achievement Report: Attached to this newsletter is an achievement report looking at Postgate's achievement over the years. This is big picture stuff using the debunked National Standards and our own Postgate Expectations. If you'd like to know more or gain a better understanding of where our achievement sits at Postgate, please ask. It is better to have the full picture and have any questions answered than be left wondering.

School Photos: These were taken last week. Shortly you will be given an envelope with a special code to view your child's photo and their class photo. From here, you can place your order through the school or online. This is very different from previous years; if you like - buy now, if you don't like - throw envelope in the bin!

Thank You: To Jen, Karen and Barbara for the cooking of the sausages on Friday for our Sausage Sizzle.

Fundraising News: Thank you to the parents who attended last week's meeting.

Our first school Disco is this Friday. The theme for the disco is Easter.

It is a full school disco that starts at 5pm and finishes at 8pm. Entry to the disco is \$3 and there will be a 'Combo Ticket' available for you to purchase. The \$10 combo ticket entitles the bearer to entry, hotdog, a bottle of water, small chippies and an Easter egg.

The combo ticket saves parents the hassle of giving their child money to spend or concern about losing money or having kids nag you for money.

Once again, money raised from the disco will be going into our Bikes in Schools programme. If you'd like to know why, please come in and see me so I may be able to explain or come one lunch hour to see the kids lined up to get a bike and helmet.

Summer Challenge: Congratulations to the 68 children who completed various elements of the Summer Challenge. The challenge was designed to keep children engaged in the learning process over the holidays and to stop the dip in achievement which is the 6/7 weeks off school over Christmas. Thanks to Asmita Rama and Karen Ataera for organising.

Sports Teams: Thank you to the parents who helped manage and provide transport to our sporting events last week. We had children at a cricket tournament, a basketball clinic and at a rugby tournament. Your support of our school is greatly appreciated by both staff and students.

Maori Nurses: This is the last week for our Maori Nurses at Postgate School. On behalf of our school community, I'd like to thank them for the wonderful work they did with our tamariki and the energy they brought to Postgate School. A great bunch of nurses with very promising futures.

Early Reading Together Programme: Thank you to the parents who attended the most recent Early reading Together Programme. Your support of your child is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Heather and Hayley for running this most successful programme.

It is an expectation of our families that parents complete the Early Reading Together and the Reading Together programme. These programmes are designed to help you help your child. There is lots of chat between everyone, a few laughs and lots of 'ooohhhhh' moments as you discover what it is like learning to read.

Measles: Please remember to update your immunisation records at the Office. Staff have been contacting families whose records show that their child/ren was either partly immunised or unknown. All reports out of the DHB is that the spread of Measles will spread during the school holiday period.

Nude Food (Kai) Days Are on Wednesday's: Nude Food means that all items in your child's lunch box/bag have to be wrapper free, like no rubbish.

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.

Wet Weather Plan: We receive a number of calls from parents around 2:57pm on a wet day to ask if we can take a message to little Freddy about how he is getting home. While one or two is manageable, a large number at once isn't really fair. If you could please organise in the morning or ring before 2:30pm, so we can get the messages out, that would be awesome. Thank you.

Waharoa Unveiling/Blessing: All of Postgate School is invited to the official unveiling/blessing of our waharoa on Monday 29th April, meeting in the top car park at 6:50am. The blessing will take place at sunrise which is timed for 7:05am. If you and your family are intending to attend, could you please RSVP to me, for catering purposes. principal@postgate.school.nz

We will have a second ceremony on the 29th for all students of Postgate School, just after 9am and before our Term 2 powhiri.

Paua Shells: We have increased the size of our area to be concreted, so any available Paua shells would be greatly appreciated. We are also re-concreting the section outside the main office area.

Thanking you for your support.

Mauruuru kotahi ano koutou mo to koutoa tautoko o Postgate School.

Hei kona mai