

# Term 4 2019 Calendar

1	14 October Start Term 4 Junior School Swimming starts	15 Year 4 Girls Self Defence	16 Powhiri- 9:15am Year 7 Girls Self Defence	17 Year 7/8 Girls Self Defence	18
2	21 BOT Meeting	22 Fundraising Committee 6pm	23 School Athletics Day	24 Walkathon	25
3	28 Labour Day No school Tokelauan Language Week	29 Battle of the Bands Year 7/8 Year 5 Girls Self Defence	30 Year 8 Girls Self Defence	31 Year 8 Girls Self Defence	November 1
4	4 MOKOTINI Poly Fest Evening	5	6	7	8 Family Merit
5	11 Year 4-6 EOTC Week	12 Parumoana Sports Athletics Day	13 Early Reading Together	14	15
6	18 Year 7/8 Camp Teapot Valley Nelson	19	20 Early Reading Together	21	22 Year 7/8s return from Camp
7	25 BOT Meeting	26	27	28	29 Year 8 Disco
8	2	3 Regional Athletics	4	5	6 Family Merit Helpers Thank You Lunch
9	9 End of Year Reports Home	10	11 2020 teacher middle block	12 Leavers Dinner	13 Last day 2019 Final assembly



## Postgate School Newsletter Term 3: Week 10 2019

### Mission Statement

## To Create Life-Long Learners

**"Life is Fragile. We don't know what tomorrow will bring. Make the most of today. Love life. Love people. Serve others. Care more."**

- Jon Gordon

### 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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## Kia ora whanau

**Walkathon:** Early next term is our annual Walkathon where all money raised goes towards ICT equipment for our school. Sponsorship cards will be sent home this week which will give everyone an opportunity to ask as many people as possible. If you would like your card earlier, please let the office ladies know. Walkathon cards will not be sent to families who did not return their card last year. I was very surprised by the number of families who returned any empty card. The Walkathon is designed so that you don't have to reach into your own pockets, your extended families, friends and work colleagues will need to do this.

Already this year we have spent \$44K on ICT; ipads, Chromebooks, upgrading/replacing our server etc. With the new Digital Technology curriculum kicking in next year, we have had to make changes around school to ensure we can successfully implement this new area.

**Mokotini / Polyfest Evening:** Our big night is rolling in quick and we need help! Yes, we need your help or you may know someone in your family that can help.

**On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the first week of the holidays, a very small group of parents (like tiny small) will be altering, fixing and making costumes for our big evening. However, you can change this tiny small to a huge amount!** It will be a lot of cutting, gluing, sewing and laughing taking place. And, we need this very small group to become a very LARGE group.

Bring the kids, as we have plenty of room for them to play. If it's wet, we have rooms for them to play and watch TV. But we really do need your support.

Eunice Pedro is the lead costume designer and she'd love for as many people to come and help as possible; many hands...

The group will be meeting from 10am on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of the first week of the holidays.

They have planned to meet during the second week BUT, hopefully, because you have come to help, we are all done during the first week.

**Phrase of the Week: Karawhiua! Go hard!**

**Red Nose Mufti Day:** This Wednesday is Red Nose Day which is raising funds for child cancer research. Your support, through your child, is by way of a gold coin.

**Family Merit Assembly:** This Friday starting at 2pm. A great way to finish Term 3.

**School Disco:** Poor manners last week. Apologies. Thank you to the many parents who helped out in the kitchen and to members of your Board of

Trustees who ran the café in the staffroom; Tom, Malissa and Phil. The café is running at most discos; no noise, no crazy kids, free hot drinks, free food, and awesome company.

**Help Needed:** Do you have a couple of spare hours on Friday or know someone that does that would like to help work alongside our Year 7/8s in the school garden? If yes, please let me know.

**Payment of Accounts:** While we don't enjoy 'hounding' parents around payments, it is an unfortunate necessary evil. Postgate School is a business and ensuring we pay our accounts either through user pays or our fundraising is a must.

If there is a problem or an expected bill does arrive, like four tyres for a WoF, then come have a word with Lesleigh, Jacqui or I; no stress.

A huge homai pakipaki to those parents who started paying \$10 a pay for camp, EOTC, or even a uniform. Clever and forward-thinking.

We try to keep all costs down and reasonable. An example of this is the Year 7/8 Camp. Each family is asked to pay \$300 for their child to attend camp, however, this is nowhere near the true cost of camp. Hopefully, families appreciate this.

**Junior School Art Show:** The Junior School Art Show is this Thursday afternoon. Please come along and bring aunties, uncles, grandparents; whoever may be interested in a great afternoon of sharing.

### Futsal:

Team	Opposition	Score	Player of the Day
Postgate	No game		Last week-TJ Townley

**Thanking you for your support.**

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

**LUCENT FUN CLUB WHITBY:** Don't be bored these holidays! Connect with us at the North Porirua Baptist Church LUCENT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October from 9am until 12.00. The programme caters for children from year 1 to 8 (5-12yrs of age). The cost is \$5.00 per half-day (maximum of total \$20.00 per family) Come along for games, baking, slime/putty making, crafts, bouncy castles, sports, stories, singing and more. Send in your registration and payment before the commencement of the programme to ensure your place. For more information, contact Sina Briggs on 0212952926 or email Sina on [paulandsina@hotmail.com](mailto:paulandsina@hotmail.com)

**St Mary's College** is finalising enrolments for Y9 students 2020 - limited preference places are available. If you would like more information please contact their enrolment team at [office@stmw.school.nz](mailto:office@stmw.school.nz). or (04) 473 5554.