

Term 2 2020 Calendar

9	8	9	10	11	12
10	BOT 6pm 15	16	17	18	19
11	22	23	24	School Cross Country 25	26
12	29	Wellington Regional Cross Country? 30	July 1 Learning Conversations	Learning Conversations 2	Family Merit Assembly End Term 2 3

"No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite."

- Nelson Mandela



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 2: Week 9

2020

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

"Aroha ami, aroha atu

Love received, love returned"

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

June 8, 2020

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whanau

Postgate School Celebration: Congratulations to Chris Teo for his Queens Birthday Honour. Chris Teo was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to health, cycling and the Pacific community. Awesome recognition and very well deserved through Chris' work through USO Bike Ride. Great work Chris and keep the awesome work going.

Thank you: Your calm, relaxed and vigilant demeanour has made for a very smooth few weeks back at school. Our children have settled back into their learning quickly. We were preparing to have a longer transitional period back to normal classroom ways, however, school life is back to pre COVID-19 ways. Your work over the Lockdown period with Distance Learning helped greatly to ensure a natural progression back to school. Postgate PRIDE at its very best!

Move to Level One- What it means for Postgate School: On Thursday, decision pending today, we are as close to our pre COVID-19 way of life, at work and school. For Postgate it is trying to find the right balance between the levels; we believe we have this in place now. We will keep with the hand sanitizer outside the classrooms until the end of this term. We will keep with the class hygiene practices until the end of this term. If you have the COVID-19 tracer app, please use this when entering the buildings. If you do not have it, please still sign the Contract Tracer form. This will take a minute or two of your time but is vital for future reference. The ability to track our movements is vital, if we were to get another wave of C-19.

Our most difficult area to monitor is the keeping of unwell children at home. We have some children whose attendance rates are under 50% as they were absent during distance learning and already had high absence levels before lockdown. We ask that you keep your child at home if they are unwell with flu like symptoms and/or have diarrhoea. However, and you know your child best, if they are pulling a 'fast one' because they just don't want to go to school, send them to school.

Postgate School Saturday Morning Netball: The revamped netball season is fast approaching and Theresa and Tom need to know if there is a demand to enter a Year 5/6 and a Year 3/4 team in the local competition. If you would like your child to play Saturday morning netball for a Postgate Year 3/4 or a Year 5/6 team and if you are interested in coaching/managing either of the teams please contact Theresa Theresa@taeaomanino.org.nz or myself as soon as possible.

Uniform Sales: We would like to keep with the same system of ordering uniform via email and payments via internet banking. Our lovely office ladies have found the current system to be very smooth and effective. They are well aware of sizing and ensuring children can grow into their uniform over the next year.

We do not make any money off our uniform sales nor do we receive a 'kick back'. All we ask of Kukri is the cheapest available price for our community.

Playground Matting: Our Junior School playground matting is down and it looks pretty flash! Ray Rees and team have done a top job and we are grateful to have lost our swimming pool under the Monkey Bars!

We have quite a few half meter squares of the old playground available for free for our community. These black squares have a number of use; gym matting, outdoor matting, lifting soggy ground etc. If you would like some, help yourself.

Learning Conversations: A reminder that we will be having Learning Conversations on Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd of July, the last week of Term 2. These maybe a little different across the school as some areas will be taking a different approach, just to trial and see if it is as or if not more effective. More details will be sent home next week.

A reminder that if you already have regular contact with your classroom teacher, there maybe no need for a Learning Conversation. Also, you do not need a formal day/evening to meet with your child's teacher. You are more than welcome to meet with anyone at Postgate whenever you choose. For us, the more times the better!

Postgate School Business Directory: We have included the Postgate School Business Directory to this newsletter. The PSBD will also be added to our school website. The idea behind it is for Postgate School to look out for each other, especially our small business owners.

If you or your business would like to be added, please let me know, easy as.

School Cross Country: Our school cross country is set for Thursday 25th of June. More details to come closer to the event.

School Photos: These will be taken on the 28th of October. More details closer to the date.

Aotea College Enrolments 2021: If your child is in Year 8 and you are looking at enrolling your child into Aotea College next year, you had better get cracking and fill in an enrolment form!

Porirua City Junior Football: Junior Football is starting back up at Postgate on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in finding out more information please contact Steve at poriruacityfootballclub@gmail.com. There is a special rate for Postgate School families.

Whitby Collegiate: College years are the years that set students up for life and this is the school that can do that. We're the only co-educational, independent school in the Wellington region for students who will be Year 9 in 2021. We have a rare ability to create a place where all students are happy, generous achievers. We'd be delighted to show you our school and tell you more in person.

To register for our next open day, visit our website whitbycollegiate.school.nz or give us a call on 04 234 1070

Thanking you for your support.

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