

Term 3 2020 Calendar

1	20 Start Term 3 Powhiri for new students/families/ staff	21	22 Water Skills for Life Years 1-6 No water involved	23 Water Skills for Life Years 1-6 No water involved	24
2	27	28	29 MoveMprove Years 1-3	30	31
3	3 Cook Island Language Week BOT Meeting 6pm	4	5 MoveMprove Years 1-3	6	7
4	10	11	12 MoveMprove Years 1-3	13	14
5	17	18 Parumoana Cross Country	19 MoveMprove Years 1-3	20	21 Family Merit Assembly 2pm
6	24	25	26 MoveMprove Years 1-3	27 Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 5/6	28
7	31 Life Education In	1	2 MoveMprove Years 1-3	3 Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 7/8	4 Enrolments for 2021 cut off date
8	7 Tongan Language Week	8	9 MoveMprove Years 1-3	10 Life Education Out	11
9	14 Te Reo Maori Language Week	15	16 MoveMprove Years 1-3	17 Year 7/8 Formal	18
10	21	22	23	24 Inter-Regional Cross Country	25 Family Merit End of Term 3 School finishes 3pm



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 3: Week 1 2020

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**"Hoki whakamuri, kia anga whakamua;
Look to the past in order to forge the
future"**

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"

**"Mā te mahi ngātahi,
ka tū pakari te mātauranga"**

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July 20, 2020

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whanau

Ko ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hōu Māori ki a koutou

Happy Māori New Year everyone

Welcome Back to Term 3: A warm welcome to the new families and students who either started at Postgate today or during the school year.

We had a powhiri this morning to welcome our new families and also a belated welcome to Amy Grant, teacher of Room 7.

Asmita Rama is also back from 9am-11am Monday through till Thursday, as well as all day Friday. Our assessment data has shown a need in our Year 4-6 students. As a result, Alex and his team have put a number of learning intervention programmes in place to help address the various needs within the Voyager Syndicate.

Postgate PRIDE: Congratulations to Serafina Pauga for her selection in the Porirua Under 13 Basketball team. Congratulations also to Cialah Taape, Korrin Aiono, Oryah Pauga, and Anareia Pokoati for their selection in the Development Team.

A special Postgate WOW to Caroline Mareko, an aunty to many at Postgate School, was awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to the Pasifika community and education.

School Jackets: The rain jackets, kindly donate by ASB at the end of last term, have arrived back from the embroidery and will be handed out to pupils this week. The jackets are a one-off and are yours for free. We have 350 children to outfit and some children may end up with a jacket that is a bit big, however, they can grow into it.

If you have a spare morning this week and can help with the outfitting of the jackets, please let us know. It would be great to be able to do this tomorrow morning (Tuesday).

Enrolments for 2021 and Beyond: The deadline for new enrolments for the 2021 school year is Friday 4 September. Currently, there are limited spaces in our school for next year. If you know of family or friends who would like their child to attend Postgate School, now is the time to send them to Lesleigh, our Office Manager. We have an ever-growing waiting list and if we have to go to a ballot, priority is given to families who live in our 'Home Zone' followed by siblings of current students; there are 6 priorities.

Our school roll for the next few years is very full and it would very helpful for our planning to know years ahead what potentially is coming

Learning Conferences: Thank you to the parents who attended the Learning Conferences during the last week of Term 2 and the Family Merit Assembly.

We had a tremendous turnout for the Learning Conferences with **nearly** every family accounted for; if you cancelled or were one of a few people who were a no show, please contact us this week. It is very important that we all follow up with our child/ren about their learning goals over the next few weeks and for the rest of this term.

We have been seeking engagement, and getting it, from our school community. Your engagement has been awesome as witnessed through school activities such as our Food Fair, Family Merit Assemblies, Reading Together Programmes, coaching of sports teams and attendance at Learning Conferences. However, the main area we have been focusing on is to involve families in the learning process; making horizontal connections- linking home with school and school with home.

So, how can we involve you in your child/ren's learning? Please let me know your thoughts/ideas. principal@postgate.school.nz

We are also keen to hear your views about the Learning Conferences- how were they for you and were they useful/informative?

We trialled a new system for our Year 7/8 families. How was this for you?

Important Dates for Term 3: The Postgate calendar is on the back of this newsletter. It contains all important dates, which we know of, for Term 3. Due to Lockdown and having a strong focus on learning, we have made a call to cancel our School Production for 2020.

Absent Text Line: To make life easier for you, you can send us a text if your child is going to be absent from school. The school cell phone number is 027 7466791. When you text with an absentee could you please supply all the information below:

- Child's name in full, not text speak! i.e. Adam Campbell
- Room number or teacher's name i.e Room 16/Freddie Jones
- Reason for absence i.e Man Flu

Besides texting, you can always ring and let us know. The school phone number is 2359358.

Thanking you for your support.

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