

Term 3 2020 Calendar

3	Cook Island Language Week BOT Meeting 6pm	4	MoveMprove Years 1-3	kidsCan Walkathon/ Wheelathon	7
4	Seat of Remembrance Ceremony -11am	11	MoveMprove Years 1-3		14
5		18 Parumoana Cross Country	MoveMprove Years 1-3		21 Family Merit Assembly 2pm
6		25	MoveMprove Years 1-3	Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 5/6	28
7	Life Education In	1	MoveMprove Years 1-3	Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 7/8	4 Enrolments for 2021 cut off date
8	Tongan Language Week	8 Bee Healthy Dental Van arrives	MoveMprove Years 1-3	Life Education Out	11
9	Te Reo Maori Language Week	15	MoveMprove Years 1-3	Year 7/8 Formal	18
10		22	23	Inter-Regional Cross Country	25 Bee Healthy Dental Van departs Family Merit End of Term 3 School finishes 3pm

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.



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 3: Week 3
2020

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners
**"Strive not to be a success,
but rather to be of value"**

- Albert Einstein (Care of Adam's Angel)

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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ERO Report:

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August 3, 2020

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whanau

KIA ORANA Postgate kōpū tangata and welcome to Cook Island Language Week. This morning we had the flag raising of the Cook Island and New Zealand flags, the playing of the National Anthems and the Cook Island Dancers/Drummers who performed for us this morning. Special thank you to Liz Pepe for all her hard work in planning our Cook Island Language Week and our wonderful morning tea; Cook Island Donuts, my favourite!

Cook Islands Language Week celebrates the identity, languages, and culture of students from the Cook Islands and helps all New Zealanders journey towards shared cultural understandings.

Learning a new language gives us insight into new ways of thinking, and to different beliefs and cultural practices. Everyone who learns the languages of the Cook Islands helps to preserve them.

The Cook Islands community are the second largest Pacific ethnic group in New Zealand making up 20% of the Pacific population (Census 2013).

The theme for Cook Island Language Week is “Kia pūāvai tō tātou reo Māori Kūki ‘Āirani i Aotearoa - That the Cook Islands Māori language may blossom throughout New Zealand”.

BOT Meeting Tonight: Your BOT are meeting tonight at 6pm in the Staffroom. Of note on the agenda tonight is: Behavioural Management Policy, Self-Review Cycle, Community Relationship Policy, Wellbeing@School Survey as well as all the other items covered at a BOT Meeting e.g. TWK Report, PAG Report, Financial Report, Principals Report.

Postgate School – Seat of Remembrance: Next Monday 10th August, we are having a special ceremony at Postgate School. With the restrictions during COVID-19 Lockdown, families who lost a family member or friend were unable to gather to celebrate a life and also grieve. Over on the hill, by the beehives, overlooking our school, situated in the place that is first greeted by the sun each morning, there will be a Seat of Remembrance. Somewhere peaceful for anyone to sit and let time pass. We want our Seat to be a place people can come, remember/reflect on past family and friends and be thankful that they were in our lives.

Our ceremony will start at 11am. Everyone is welcome to attend. At the end of the ceremony we will be having a shared kai. We are asking that families provide a plate of food to share with others. All food will be placed in Whanau Groups for all to enjoy following our ceremony.

Exploration Zoo Trip: Thank you to the parents who helped out with the zoo trip last Friday.

Enrolments for 2021 and Beyond: The deadline for new enrolments for the 2021 school year is Friday 4 September. At this stage it looks like we will have 20 spaces available at Year 1 and looking at the Wait List the majority of these spaces will be for brother and sisters of current students; which is priority 2-siblings of current students.

We do not think there will be available spaces in any other area of our school in 2021, unless you are leaving us? If you are planning to move schools, please let us know.

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.

Subway Lunch: Wow, what an order Tawa Subway had to process last week; proved to be a very popular option for many families. A reminder all orders need to be in by Wednesday morning. Order envelopes are in the office.

Please note that all meals come with a free cookie.

Please note: This is cash only, you cannot pay online as you are dealing with Subway Tawa not Postgate School

Netball Results: Diamonds Y3/4 lost 1-6

Black Pearls Y5/6 won 21-0

Phoenix Y7/8 34-11

A Reminder: Netball players, please remember to pay your netball subs to Mrs Moeau ASAP. Thank you.

Thank You: A special thank you to all our Postgate sports coaches and managers. Your time and commitment is greatly appreciated. It is a huge time commitment and can cause the stress levels to rise slightly, however, I know you love spending time and gaining energy from our children; haha, more like draining energy!

You guys are awesome! Thank you.

Mulch or Straw: If you have any spare mulch or straw that our Enviro Group can have, it would be greatly received.

Thanking you for your support of Postgate School.

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