

Term 3 2020 Calendar

10	21	22	23	24	25 Bee Healthy Dental Van departs Family Merit End of Term 3 School finishes 3pm
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Term 4 2020 Calendar

1	12 October Start Term 4 Fijian Language Week Junior School Swimming starts – Years 1-3 First Aid lessons at school	13 Swimming Years 1-3	14 Powhiri- 9:15am for all new whanau and staff	15 Year 7/8 Formal	16 Swimming Years 1-3
2	19 Niuean Language Week Swimming Years 1-3	20 Fundraising Committee 6pm Swimming Years 1-3	21	22 School Athletics Day	23 Swimming Years 1-3
3	26 Labour Day No school Tokelauan Language Week	27 Swimming Years 1-3	28 School Photos	29	30 Swimming Years 1-3 Nominations close for BOT election
4	2 Swimming Years 1-3 BOT Meeting	3 Swimming Years 1-3 Ki O Rahi	4	5 Parihaka Day	6 Family Merit Swimming Years 1-3
5	9	10 Parumoana Athletics Day	11	12	13 Year 5/6 and 7/8 Speech Comp
6	16	17	18	19	20
7	23	24	25	26	27
8	30 BOT Meeting	1 Wellington regional Athletics	2	3 Year 8s visit Aotea College	4 Final Disco Family Merit Assembly BOT Election voting closes 2020 Helpers Lunch
9	7	8	9	10 BOT Count Votes	11 End of Year Reports
10	14 Year 8 Leavers Dinner	15 Final Day for 2020 Final Assembly	16	17	18



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 3: Week 10 2020

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**“Ka mate kāinga tahi,
Ka ora kāinga rua**

There is more than one way to achieve an objective”

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:

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

September 21, 2020

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau

Wow! Our first full term of being at school for 2020! I've loved every minute of it and it has gone by very quickly.

We'd like to say thank you to four trainee teachers we have had at Postgate for the past seven weeks, for all the work they have done with their classes and our tamariki. We wish Kylie, Sammi, Claudia, and Tasi all the best for the rest of their future endeavours.

Staffing for 2021: It is with a heavy heart and with much sadness that I inform you that Mr Chris Shaw is leaving us at the end of this year. Chris is moving up to 'The Far North' for a new and exciting lifestyle.

Chris has been one of the most outstanding teachers I have encountered during my time in teaching and is a massive loss for our school. While feeling very disappointed for our school and children, I'm sure that you will join with me in wishing Chris every success in the 'Winterless Far North'.

Asmita Rama has been granted another years leave to spend more time with Harper; focusing on being a mother.

At the beginning of the next term, we will inform you about our teachers for 2021 with the vast majority back and a couple of new teachers in.

Looking Ahead to Term 4 – SUNHATS: Our school policy clearly states that only wide brim sunhats are acceptable or Bucket hats. Caps are not part of the Uniform Policy and are unacceptable.

Any child who does not have a wide brim or bucket hat on during Term 4 (or Term 1) has to sit in the shaded area. The "No Hat, No Play" rule is school policy.

Christine Neville is offering a hat naming service. For \$5 Christine will screen print your child's name inside their hat. Hats are like gold during the summer months at Postgate. If there is one piece of clothing that will 'wander' off, it is a sunhat during Terms 1 and 4.

Term 3 Reports: All students will receive an End of Term 3 Report this Friday. This report contains information about learning goals; with a comparison between Term 1 and Term 3 National Norm Testing Results. Attached to this newsletter is an information sheet about 'Value Added'; how we use the National Norm Testing to track student progress. This is for families who have a student/s in Years 4-8.

Students in Years 1-3 will also receive a report this Friday, again, covering off assessment results for the year to date.

The focus of the reports is around achievement. A reminder, you are welcome to call, email, or come in and see your children's teacher to discuss all aspects of their achievement, learning, and positive behaviour at school.

Family Merit Assembly: Yay for Alert Level 1? This Friday starting at 2pm. A great way to finish Term 3.

Term Dates 2021:

Wednesday 3rd February – Day 1 for students 2021 – Easter is during Term time.

Friday 16th April - End Term 1

Monday 3rd May - Term 2 starts

Friday 9th July - End Term 2

Monday 26th July - Start Term 3

Friday 1st October - End Term 4

Monday 18th October – Start Term 4

Tuesday 14th Dec – Last day 2021

Cohort Entry for New Entrant/Year 1 pupils: From next year there is a change for our Year 1 pupils starting school; Postgate is moving to Cohort Entry. There will be two dates during each term when children who have turned 5 can start school. No longer at Postgate will children start school when they turn 5. Whānau who have children starting school next year have been made aware of this

Last Chance - Health Consultation Survey:

<https://forms.gle/8S18yvYWHnKkSqn96> Awesome work Postgate School.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey. Takes a little bit of time, however, it will benefit your whānau moving forward. So far, 61 families have responded; be great to get to 100. Easier for reporting percentages!

Last Chance - Strategic Planning Survey:

<https://forms.gle/tS5BgXNEwrg1z9mr7> It is very important your family has their voice heard, even if you are happy with the current direction. So far, 27 families have responded to the survey; not many, if any. Need your voice.

Enrolment for 2021: All letters have been posted and should have arrived. However, if we have the wrong address for families, no chance of receiving this letter. If your letter has not arrived, please come and see us. Any questions, please let us know.

Thanking you for your support of Postgate School.

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