

Term 4 2020 Calendar

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 BOT Meeting	3 Ki O Rahi	4	5 Parihaka Day	6 Family Merit
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 Final Disco – Year 8s organising
8	30 BOT Meeting	1 Wellington Regional Athletics	2	3 Year 8s visit Aotea College	4 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 School finishes 1pm	16	17	18



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 4: Week 2
2020

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**“He taonga te mokopuna kia whāngaia, kia tipu, kia rea.
A child is a treasure to be nurtured, to grow, to flourish”**

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/>

October 19, 2020

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau

Fakaalofa atu! And welcome to Niue Language Week. Niue Language Week celebrates the culture and language of Niue.

Niue is a small island nation northeast of New Zealand and is located in the South Pacific Ocean. Niue is one of the world's smallest independent nations. It is commonly referred to as 'The Rock', a reference to it being one of the largest raised coral islands in the world.

People from Niue make up the fourth-largest Pacific community living in New Zealand with around 24,000 residing in Aotearoa. Most people with Niuean heritage are born in NZ with only around 1600 currently living in Niue.

School Photos- Next Wednesday – Take Two: Photos are next Wednesday. No need to pre-order. Photos are taken and you will be given an envelope with a special code to view your child's photo and their class photo. From here, you can place your order through the school or online. The system is the same as last year; if you like - buy now, if you don't like - throw the envelope in the bin!

Powhiri: Thank you to the whanau who joined us for our powhiri last Wednesday. Welcome to Postgate School.

School Athletics Day: Is all go next Thursday at Adventure Park; all of Postgate School is on the move. The weather is looking good for Thursday. If Athletics Day is on, children are encouraged to wear Whanau colours; come to school proudly wearing the colours of their Whanau House.

Senior Formal: Thank you to the Year 7 and 8 families for their support of our Senior Formal last Thursday evening. Special thanks to the parents who decorated the hall and did the set up for supper.

Special thanks to Cecilia, Nicole, Ma and Kayne for all their hard work in the build up to the evening; teaching the dances, invitations, decorating the hall and organising the evening. Fantastic work Team.

SunSmart Policy: Term 4 will bring with it higher levels of UVA and UVB rays. Bucket or wide-brimmed hats are now compulsory; ironic on a day like today! Caps and beanies are not acceptable. Postgate takes your kids health and well-being seriously. No hat, No play!

Sunhats can be purchased from the office for \$10; with a name \$15.

SUBWAY LUNCHES – Still happening every Wednesday. Same system as last term. Drop off your order anytime but before the bell on Wednesday morning.

Endeavour and Exploration Swimming: This programme **started last Monday**. The programme will run **every Monday, Tuesday and Friday**, with each class having its own half-hour lesson, until the end of Week 3. Trained swimming instructors will be running the swimming lessons for our children. There is no charge for this programme.

Timetable for Swimming

Rooms 10,11	Depart Postgate School 09:10am	Depart Tawa Pool 10:50am
Rooms 8, 9	Depart Postgate School 10:10am	Depart Tawa Pool 11:50pm
Room 12, 13, 14	Depart Postgate School 11:30am	Depart Tawa Pool 1:45pm

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 3

Monday 18th October – Start Term 4 - Tuesday 14th Dec – Last day 2021

Thank You from Your Board of Trustees: Your BOT would like to thank you for your feedback/feedforward on our two surveys last term; Health Consultation and Strategic Planning. There were many fantastic thoughts and ideas. So much so I was thinking why don't you put yourself forward for the upcoming BOT elections?

Your BOT are currently working through your responses, taking it all in and will get back to you after their next meeting in Week 4.

Board of Trustees Election: We need people like you on our Board of Trustees; please look at nominating yourself or someone you know. If you have any questions please let me know or you can contact Denise Harrison at school, who is our Returning Officer.

School Uniform Orders for 2021: A uniform order will be placed at the end of next week, ensuring 2021 uniforms are here by the end of Term 4. If you know your child needs new uniform items, namely polo tops, please contact Jacqui or Lesleigh in the office. Your forward-thinking will be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you for your support of Postgate School.

Fakaauē lahi

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