

Term 1 2021 Calendar

4	22	23	AFL Programme 24 Information Evening 6pm	AFL Programme 25	26
5	BOT Meeting 6pm 1	Last day for Jacqui Dench 2	AFL Programme 3	AFL Programme 4	Languages start Family Merit Assembly 5
6	Year 1-3 Swimming 8	9	10	11	Year 1-3 Swimming 12
7	Year 1-3 Swimming Assessment Week 15	16	Weetbix Triathlon 17	18	Year 1-3 Swimming 19 Sunday Weetbix Triathlon
8	Year 1-3 Swimming 22	Quick Rip Years 4-8 23	24	25	Year 1-3 Swimming 26
9	Year 1-3 Swimming 29	30	31	April 1 Year 1-3 Swimming	Easter Friday -No school 2
10	Easter Monday -No school 5	Easter Tuesday -No school 6	7	School Cross Country 8	School Disco 9
11	12	13	14	15	Last Day of Term 1 Family Merit Assembly 16

Yes Hat, Yes Play: A very simple message for Terms 1 and 4. All children must have a wide brim sunhat or bucket hat on their beautiful heads during morning tea and lunch time or anytime we are outside.



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 1: Week 4 2021

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

"You have two hands; one to help yourself, the second to help others."

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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ERO Report:

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

February 22, 2021

Kia ora whānau

School Picnic: Thank You: We'd like to thank the following people:

- Evan and Anne Lealiifano for the bread; for the sixth year
 - Peter, Glory and Grace Bossmann-Toleafoa for the sausages; for the fourth? year. Thanks also to the other families who dropped off bags of sausages to the BBQ
 - Kelsey, Tamara and Kylie (our new teachers) for planning/organising the Picnic
 - The dads on the BBQ for cooking for approximately 500 people. Yes, near on 500 people; over 300 children and over 150 adults.
 - The many families who joined us on Friday. What was evident was the caring nurturing nature of our community. Many parents were looking out for many children; parents in the pool drowning whoever wanted to be drowned, parents sharing food with those around them. Whether a child had family there or not, I'd be confident in saying, every child was well cared for. Many parents took a day's leave, either annual or sick, to join us today. That is very special and means a lot to us and your child. We really appreciate the investment you make in our school and in your child
 - Our staff who worked hard all-day ensuring children were safe and enjoying themselves. One staff member recorded 11,000 steps while at the pool
- If you have any recommendations or thoughts on how we could improve our Picnic Day, please let us know.

Round the Bays (Fun?) Run: Thank you to Tina Faulkner, Nicole Mitchell and the Postgate families who completed the Round the Bays on Sunday morning. Joining 14,000 people early on a beautiful Wellington Sunday morning will be an experience your children will remember for a very long time.

Postgate School Information Evening. Please bring your two hands. Please, remember to come on Wednesday, starting at 6pm in the school hall. Let's all get along to show our support for our children's learning and your school. The plan is...

- We will all start in the school hall; that's all of us. We should be in the hall for approximately 20-30 minutes. It just depends on how excited I get!
- There will be a presentation in the hall about really really important information about Postgate. **We will all learn something new, guaranteed or we'll give you your money back.**
- Once the presentation is over we will disperse into various areas around the school
 - Year 7/8 parents will meet in the Senior Block

- Year 4-6 parents will meet in your child's individual classrooms
- Year 2-3 parents will meet in their individual classrooms
- Year 1 parents will meet in Room 13

****Have more than one child at Postgate and don't know where to go?** The Year 7/8 or Year 1 meetings first and then stroll along to your child's other teachers to catch-up.

- All classrooms will be open for you to have a look through and also to look through your child's books and an excellent opportunity to discuss current learning goals and what your child is learning to do in the classroom
- The PE gear will be out for kids to play with while you are busy
- Key representatives from your Te Whanau Kaitiaki, Pasifika Advisory Group, and The Board of Trustees will be here for you to meet

Parenting- The Toughest but Most Rewarding Job, Ever! We are extremely fortunate to have Latu To'omaga work alongside our school this year to provide leadership in our parenting journey. Latu will be "at" our Information Evening.

Summer Challenge: If your child completed the Summer Challenge it is now time for the books/work to be returned to Hayley Walters in Room 14.

Family Merit Assembly: Our first Merit Assembly is set for next Friday 5th March with a 2pm start. If your child is receiving an award a staff member will contact you at least by the Monday prior to the assembly.

Subway Lunches: Envelopes are at the Office. Orders must be in by 9am Wednesday morning at the very latest.

Parking on Staithes Drive North- Before and After School: If you are doing a 'kiss and drop' in the mornings please use the stone wall entrance/carpark or directly out the front of the school; please keep moving. On a wet day there is an increase of parents wanting to drop their child/ren off at the office. Some parents look like they are going to drive through the office doors! It is ok for your child to be dropped off at the Stone Gate and run. It is ok for children to get wet. One day they might have to work in the rain. Unless they are Bad Jelly the Witch, they will be fine. One of life's lessons; the rain outside is wet.

We have a few areas of concern namely, children crossing with their parents, down Staithes Drive. Come on, be a positive role model and use the 'Crossing Wardens' please. An orange cone is placed at the exit point of the office carpark when the bell rings at 3pm. This signals that patrols have started and no vehicles can leave the carpark until the cone has been removed.

Thanking you for your support.

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