

Term 1 2021 Calendar

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| 5 | BOT Meeting 6pm | 1 | Last day for Jacqui Dench | 2 | AFL Programme | 3 | AFL Programme | 4 | Languages start Kapa Haka starts | 5 |
| 6 | Year 1-3 Swimming | 8 | | 9 | Parent Evening #1 | 10 | Girls Futsal Tournament | 11 | Year 1-3 Swimming Family Merit Assembly | 12 |
| 7 | Year 1-3 Swimming Assessment Week | 15 | | 16 | Weetbix Triathlon Parent Evening #2 | 17 | | 18 | Year 1-3 Swimming Sunday Weetbix Triathlon | 19 |
| 8 | Year 1-3 Swimming | 22 | Quick Rip Years 4-8 | 23 | Parent Evening #3 | 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 2pm | 16 |

Term 2 2021 Calendar

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| 1 | Term 2 starts – 8:55am Powhiri for new families at 9am | 3 | Year 4 Girls Self Defence | 4 | Year 7 Girls Self Defence | 5 | Year 7 Girls Self Defence | 6 | | 7 |
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| 3 | | 17 | | 18 | Year 8 Girls Self Defence | 19 | Year 8 Girls Self Defence | 20 | | 21 |
| 4 | | 24 | | 25 | Dental Van arrives | 26 | | 27 | | 28 |
| 5 | | 31 | | 1 | | 2 | | 3 | Family Merit Assembly 2pm | 4 |



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 1: Week 5
2021

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

“Waiho i te toipoto, kau i te toiroa”

Let us be close together, not far apart

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:

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March 1, 2021

Kia ora whanau

Jacqui Dench: Jacqui's last day at Postgate is tomorrow, Tuesday. Jacqui and her husband Peter, are moving to Christchurch to be closer to their grandchildren and ultimately, their own children. (But grandchildren first and foremost!) Jacqui started at Postgate School as a Teacher Aide in 1999/2000. Around 2005, Jacqui left Postgate and returned 5 months later to take up the job of Administration Assistant.

We thank Jacqui for her 21 years of service to Postgate School, where she would have had contact with over 10,000 people; students, families, outside agencies.

Go well, Jacqui and Peter.

Postgate School Welcome: We welcome to Team Postgate, Theresa Pauga, who will be replacing Jacqui in the office.

We had 15 CVs come through for the vacant position, all of a very high standard and all from our Postgate School Community.

To make Theresa's first few weeks smoother, a reminder to parents to ring if your child/ren are going to be away from school. The goal is to have all absentees located by 10am each morning.

Movin' March: Students will be coming home with their Movin' March card which starts this week. We are encouraging students to walk, run, bike, scooter to school as much as possible. Students who have to drive to school are encouraged to get dropped off further away from school to get moving in the morning. Each day get your card stamped by students in front of the Senior Block and once it is completed you will get a prize!

Family Merit Assembly: Our first Merit Assembly is now Friday 12th 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.

The biggest area for Postgate Growth, and always has been and is our continued focus on lifting teacher capability. We know that the only way we can lift student achievement is to lift the capabilities of our teachers. We are doing this through the lens of Teacher as Inquiry. All inquiries are based on our achievement data; where do we have to do better.

Staff at Postgate continue to work smart to lift their own capability and in turn, this will lift student achievement and improve student outcomes, while trying to maintain the highest standards.

Postgate School Information Evening: You guys rock! Just how awesome was Wednesday night's turnout; it is a great feeling to be part of such a supportive community. Thank you for your time and investment in your children's future. I have attached a copy of Wednesday's presentation to this email. If you'd like to watch all of Rita Pierson's talk, follow the link: https://www.ted.com/talks/rita_pierson_every_kid_needs_a_champion?language=en

Evenings with Latu: As of this morning, 85 families had completed the survey. Please remember to fill out the survey/questionnaire to help guide Latu to present what is on top for us as parents: <https://forms.gle/J9UWiHymzZnf4unb7>

At this stage, we have booked three evenings with Latu. They are on **Wednesday 10th, 17th and 24th of March**. Once we know the topics we will message this out. We will start with a BBQ dinner, there will be childcare for any child who shows up and I'll be on the tea and coffees. The evenings will be relaxed and non-threatening; no one will be asked to step outside their comfort zone. We are extremely fortunate to have Latu leading and growing us over these three sessions.

No Hat, No 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 lunchtime or anytime we are outside.

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/car park or directly out the front of the school; please keep moving. If you are staying a while at school, you should use the main car park or the many parks by the stone wall; staying to pay money or staying to visit your child's teacher or staying to drop a cake to the staffroom.

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

Kapa Haka: Kapa Haka starts on Friday. All Postgate students do Kapa Haka. If you would like to know more, please come and see your classroom teacher or me. We have our Cultural Evening booked for Monday 8th November at Te Rauparaha Arena

Thanking you for your support.

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