

# Term 4 2021 Calendar

1	18 October Start Term 4 Powhiri- 9:15am for all new whanau and staff Viewing of Year 7/8 Puberty Resources – 3:10pm	19	Kelly Sports Coaching (K.S.C)	20	School Photos Day 1  Kelly Sports Coaching	21	School Photos Day 2
2	25 Labour Day No school	26 Tokelau Language Week Endeavour Pataka Trip	27 Endeavour Pataka Trip Battle of the Bands K.S.C	28	School Athletics Day	29	
3	1 BOT Meeting 6pm	2	3 Kelly Sports Coaching	4	4 Kelly Sports Coaching	5	Parihaka Day
4	8	9	10 Voyager EOTC Day Kelly Sports Coaching	11	Athletics PP Day Kelly Sports Coaching	12	Family Merit Assembly
5	15 Voyager EOTC Week	16	17 Parumoana Athletics Day K.S.C	18	18 Kelly Sports Coaching	19	19 Parumoana Athletics Day
6	22 Year 7/8 Camp Teapot Valley Nelson	23	24 Kelly Sports Coaching	25	25 Kelly Sports Coaching	26	26 Year 7/8s return from Camp
7	29	30 Scotland's National Day	1 Kelly Sports Coaching	2	2 Kelly Sports Coaching	3	3 Parumoana Speech Comp – Yr 5/6 and Yr 7/8 Disco
8	6 BOT Meeting	7 Wellington Regional Athletics	8 Immunisation Year 7/8s	9	9 Aotea College Orientation Day	10	10 Helpers Thank You Lunch Family Merit
9	13 Year 8 Leavers Dinner	14 End of Year Reports Last day 2021					



## Postgate School Newsletter

Term 4: Week 1  
2021

### Mission Statement

**To Create Life-Long Learners**

**"Either you run the day  
Or the day runs you"**

- Jim Rohn

### 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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## **Kia ora e te 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.

This year, the Niuean community in New Zealand decided on the theme, "Kia tupuolaola e moui he Tagata Niue" which means "May the Tagata Niue thrive" for Faahi tapu he Vagahau Niue.

The theme stems from the umbrella concept of wellbeing, for this year's nine Pacific Language Weeks.

**School Photos- Term 4 First Week Back:** Photos are being held the first week of Term 4, Thursday and Friday. 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 envelope order through the school or online via the photo people; Postgate is just the photo mule. The system is the same as last year; if you like - buy now, if you don't like - throw the envelope in the bin!

The photos are over two days as it was fairly manic last year. This should help reduce everyone's stress levels and we will inform you of what photos will be taken on what day.

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

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 (or Yes Hat, Yes Play to put a positive spin on it) is school policy.

The "No Hat, No Play" rule will kick off at the start of Week 2; there is a week's grace for children to get themselves organised. Hats can be purchased through the school office.

**Cohort Entry for New Entrant/Year 1 pupils:** Continuing next year will be our 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. A reminder to our 2022 New Entrants, your acceptance letters should be back to school by now.

### **Term Dates 2022:**

Term 1: Wednesday 2nd Feb - Thurs 14 April

Term 2: Monday 2 May - Fri 8 July

Term 3: Monday 25 July - Fri 3 Oct

Term 4: Monday 17 Oct - Thurs 15 Dec

**Subway Lunches:** Subway Wednesdays continue again this term. Orders must be in by Wednesday 8:55am. Order envelopes are available at the office.

**Changes in Contact Details:** If your contact details have changed, please let Theresa in the office know. Thank you

**Camp 2021:** Our Year 7/8s are still all go for camp this year at Teapot, Nelson. The date that seemed like a lifetime ago at the start of the year is now just months away.

If your financial circumstances have changed, please let us know. One of the long-standing rules around camp is that no child is left behind; unless they are a health and safety risk. We do not wish to be nosey, however, it helps us out with our end-of-year budgets if we are topping up camp.

Also, if you are one of the crazy parent helpers and your circumstances have changed, please let us know.

**Thanking you for your support.**

**He tanagata hu mārie koe.**

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