

Term 4 2019 Calendar

6	Year 7/8 Camp Teapot Valley Nelson PAG Meeting 6:30pm	18	19	Early Reading Together	20	21	Year 7/8s return from Camp	22
7	BOT Meeting	25	26		27	28	Year 8 Disco Finals for Postgate's Got Talent- Staff Edition	29
8		2	Regional Athletics Fundraising Meeting -6pm	3	4	Whanau Sports Day	Family Merit Helpers Thank You Lunch	6
9	End of Year Reports Home	9	10	2020 teacher middle block	11	Leavers Dinner	12	13 Last day 2019 Final assembly

2020 Term Dates:

Term 1 2020- Start Monday 3rd February till Thursday 9th April
 Term 2- Tuesday 28th April (ANZAC Mondayised) till Friday 3 July
 Term 3- Monday 20th July till Friday 25th September
 Term 4- Monday 12th Oct till Tuesday 15th December

2020 Enrolments: This term has seen a crazy number of families looking to enrol their child at Postgate. Our roll for 2020 is full. Unless families live inside the enrolment zone, we cannot accept anyone.

Police Visits: Lately, during lunchtimes, recruits from the Police College have been spending time with our children. They are doing this as part of their training and helping form positive links with our community.

Good Time Music Feedback: We are interested in your feedback/feedforward from families who have paid for music lessons during terms 2-4. We'd love to know your thoughts. Please send them through to kelvin@postgate.school.nz



Postgate School Newsletter Term 4: Week 6 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

“Stay away from negative people.

They have a problem for every solution.”

~ Albert Einstein

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 whanau

Year 7/8 Camp - Teapot Valley, Nelson: Gone, they are on a boat, or bus or maybe even at Teapot Valley by now. We won't hear from them until Friday afternoon. There are a number of us in the Postgate community who have attended camp at Teapot Valley and we know they will have the most fantastic time. This is a huge undertaking from Postgate and especially for Cecilia, Nicole and Kelvin. During this week they are working 24 hours a day and receive no additional pay; camp is done out of goodwill.

Along with our teachers' several parents went down to ensure all our children are well looked after, have a great time and are safe. As a way of thanking the parents, it is vital come Friday when we collect our children, we take the time to thank them and ensure they have their luggage and children before we hurry off back home.

Pasifika Advisory Group Meeting: Your PAG are meeting tonight in the Staffroom from 6:30pm

Walkathon: The total keeps growing day by day. Thank you to the families who have made the effort to collect sponsors and help out all children at Postgate. The total has just gone over the \$16,000. Thank you, Postgate School. One of the shocks parents get when their child heads off to college is when children have to bring their own device. There are a number of local primary schools that are BYOD. However, at Postgate, where people work together, this is not the case. Once again, thank you for making this a very successful fundraiser.

Year 4, 5, 6 EOTC Week: Thank you to the many parents, aunts, uncles, and grandparents who ensured all Year 4-6 classes could participate in these wonderful opportunities.

Early Reading Together Programme: The Year 1 teachers are running another Early Reading Together programme during Weeks 5, 6 and 7 of this term. Please see Hayley if you are interested. We are looking for a day and time that suits everyone the best.

Sunhats: Thank you for your support with the sunhats. It is great to see the children taking responsibility for their own health and safety. The basic school rule is: "No Hat, No Play".

Key Dates 2020: Monday 3rd February- Day 1 for 2020
Friday 21st February- School Picnic - Waikanae Pool

Child Safety: A polite reminder that due to Health and Safety children should not be arriving at school before 8:30am; as a teaching staff we cannot be responsible for them before this time. We have children arriving as early as 7:50am!

Year 8 Organised Disco: Friday 29th November is our last school disco for the year. The disco is led by our Year 8 students which helps fund their Leavers Dinner in the last week of term. I believe we will be back to the normal disco times with the Junior School and Senior School having their own separate disco's. Junior Disco is from 5pm till 7pm with Years 4-8 running from 7:15 till 9:30pm. There will be combo deals, more details next week.

Postgate School Helpers Lunch: This is set for Friday 6th December starting at 12noon. Letters inviting parents to the lunch will be sent home next week. We would love to see you there. The support we receive from our community is tremendous and we would love to thank you. Sometimes we do miss people who have helped us, just come along as well. It's just an oversight if you do not receive an invitation, however, we will try our best to invite everyone. Please, if you have been helping out, keep Friday the 6th free. Come for lunch and then stay for Family Merit Assembly.

Staffing News: Teachers and teams for 2020

Year 7/8- Cecilia Kennar, Nicole Mitchell, Kayne Leighton

Year 4-6- Alex Duff, Samantha Rutherford, Claire Davies, Jo Riley

Year 2/3: Chris Shaw, Michelle Dundon-Smith, Cheryl Moeau, Tina Faulkner

Year 1: Hayley Walters, Heather Browne, Catherine Bland

Leaving us- Karen Ataera – Tairangi; Di Puati and Christina Dodds- End of fixed-term contract. Not leaving but on maternity leave- Asmita Rama. Still here but as a 'Walking DP', Kelvin Harper.

Thanking you for your support.

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

Hei kona mai