

Term 4 2019 Calendar

7	BOT Meeting ²⁵	²⁶	Te Whanau Kaitiaki Hui – 6pm ²⁷	²⁸	Year 8 Disco Finals for Postgate's Got Talent- Staff Edition ²⁹
8		Regional Athletics Fundraising Meeting -6pm ³	⁴	Whanau Sports Day ⁵	Family Merit Helpers Thank You Lunch ⁶
9	End of Year Reports Home ⁹	Fun Assembly 12noon 2020 Class placement letters home ¹⁰	2020 teacher middle block ¹¹	Leavers Dinner ¹²	Last day 2019 Final assembly ¹³

Term 1 2020 Calendar

1		³	⁴	⁵	Waitangi Day -No school ⁶	⁷
2		¹⁰	Fundraising Meeting ¹¹	¹²	¹³	¹⁴
3		¹⁷	¹⁸	¹⁹	²⁰	School Picnic Waikanae Pool ²¹
4	BOT Meeting ²⁴		²⁵	Information Evening ²⁶	²⁷	²⁸
5	Assessment Week ²		³	⁴	⁵	Family Merit Assembly ⁶
6		⁹	¹⁰	¹¹	¹²	¹³
7	Maori Nurses arrive ¹⁶		¹⁷	¹⁸	¹⁹	Twilight Food Fair? ²⁰
8		²³	Quick Rip Years 4-8 ²⁴	School Photos ²⁵	²⁶	School Disco ²⁷
9		³⁰	³¹	April 1	²	³
10		⁶	⁷	⁸	Last Day of Term 1 Family Merit Assembly ⁹	Easter Friday ¹⁰



Postgate School Newsletter Term 4: Week 7 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**“Let’s wander where
Wi-Fi is weak.”
~Unknown**

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

A Couple of Manic Weeks: With 15 days left in the school year, “Hold onto your hats; it’s going to be a wild ride!” The next 15 days are pretty crazy around here and we’d appreciate your help with the little things. For example, ringing if your child is going to be absent. While it may only take a few minutes of your time, it is a considerable amount of time for us.

Year 7/8 Camp - Teapot Valley, Nelson: Welcome back to our Year 7 and 8 pupils, teachers and parents who spent last week at Teapot Valley Camp in Nelson. Sounds like an awesome week was had and I am left to wonder who had more fun; the adults or the children? Our Year 7/8s have been making the trek every two years to Teapot Valley since 2007 and each time it gets better. Thank you to the many parents who gave up a week of home comforts to give our kids one of the best weeks of their schooling life.

Special Thanks to the Staff of Postgate School: It has been an incredibly busy term so far; Mokotini, EOTC, camp, swimming, TEACHING and LEARNING. The commitment staff has for our school is fantastic. There have been many activities outside the classroom and endless hours of writing reports that take up a huge amount of their personal time. They all still rock up to school and give 100% for our children. We are very fortunate to have top quality staff.

Te Whanau Kaitiaki Hui: This Wednesday with a start time of 6pm in the Staffroom. Last hui for 2020.

DISCO, this Friday: Our Year 8s are responsible for the last disco of 2019. All funds raised from the disco go towards funding their Leavers Dinner in the last week of this term. The Year 1-3 school disco starts at 5pm and finishes at 7pm. The Year 4-8 disco starts at 7:15pm and finishes at 9:30pm. Entry is \$3 and there will be a wide selection of food to purchase as well as the standard drinks. There is the Postgate famous \$10 combo ticket. A \$10 combo ticket consists of entry, hot food, fresh homemade baking, a bag of lollies and a drink. It would be fantastic to have a huge turnout to thank the Year 8’s for their leadership and tuakana-teina throughout 2019. **Wepua atu! Go hard! Give it heaps!**

Walkathon: Our awesome totals currently sits at \$17,511.40 Wow! Thank you All cards and money must be returned by Wednesday, this week. On Wednesday afternoon we will be sending a please explain letter home. We will get grilled by our school auditors as to why we have outstanding Walkathon Cards as this is seen as having a high risk of fraud to it.

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.

Overdue Library Books: As a school, we have invested a huge amount of money over the past few years. Those who have been at Postgate for a while will remember the old library and the lack of books inside it. There are a large number of overdue library books. We will be sending charge notices home shortly for the replacement costs. Please look through your house for any Postgate School books

End of Year Accounts: There are a few families who have outstanding monies owing to our school especially Year 7/8 Technology fees, Camp, EOTC, Junior Swimming, and Japanese Language. We would appreciate full payment ASAP. This would help us greatly with our budget.

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!

Key Dates 2020: Term 1 2020 calendar is on the back of this newsletter
Monday 3rd February- Day 1 for 2020
Friday 21st February- School Picnic - Waikanae Pool

2020- Government Subsidy: Postgate School has signed up for the \$150 per-pupil subsidy for schools that do not ask for a donation. Postgate has not asked for a donation since 2014, so this additional money is an added bonus. What does this do for you? Postgate won’t be hounding you for money, unless, it is non-curriculum related or if it covers the cost of materials.

Thanking you for your support.

**Maururu kotahi ano koutou mo to koutoa tautoko o Postgate School.
Hei kona mai**