

Term 3 2022 Calendar

8	12 Maori language Week ASB Get Wise BOT Meeting 6pm	13 ASB Get Wise Artsplash Choir Year 5/6 Parumoana Swimming Sports	14 ASB Get Wise Year 1-3 Swimming	15 Voyager – Ko Wai Au Programme Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 7/8	16 School Disco Year 1-4 5pm – 6:30pm Year 5-8 7pm – 9pm
9	19	20 Rippa Rugby Tournament KiwiHoops	21 Year 1-3 Swimming KiwiHoops	22 Voyager – Ko Wai Au Programme Year 7/8 Formal	23
10	26 Mental Health Awareness Week	27	28 Year 1-3 Swimming Learning Conversations	29 Voyager – Ko Wai Au Programme Learning Conversations	30 Family Merit End of Term 3 School finishes 3pm

Term Dates 2022

Term 3 Monday July 25 to Friday September 30

Term 4 Monday October 17 to Thursday December 15
(Labour Day – Monday 24 October - Public Holiday)

Cohort Dates 2022:

Term 3 = 25th July and 29th August

Term 4 = 17th October and 14th November

Please notify us via the HERO app or phone 235 9358 or email the school office at absence@postgate.school.nz before 8:55am if your child is going to be away.

SchoolDocs: A reminder that our policies are on SchoolDocs;

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Postgate School Newsletter

Term 3: Week 8
2022

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

**“He iti hau marangai
e tū te pāhokahoka**

*Just like a rainbow after the storm,
success follows failure.”*

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 mai anō tātou katoa whanau

Nau mai, haere mai, ki te wiki o Te Reo Maori

Welcome to Maori Language Week: 12th – 19th September. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori - Māori Language Week is the annual campaign led by the Te Taura Whiri i Te Reo Māori (The Māori Language Commission) to get more New Zealanders speaking, hearing, and experiencing Te Reo Māori.

This special week is an opportunity for the concentrated celebration and promotion of Te Reo Māori, helping to secure its future as a living, dynamic, and rich language.

In the mid-20th century, there were concerns that the Māori language was dying out. The future of Te Reo Māori was the subject of a Waitangi Tribunal claim in 1985. The tribunal's recommendations led to far-reaching legislative and policy changes. Māori became an official language of New Zealand in 1987. Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori was established in the same year to promote Te Reo.

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori is part of a broad Māori language revival programme and raises public awareness for Māori language learning and public usage. It's a part of the national promotion of Te Reo Māori undertaken by Crown agencies and coordinated by the Māori Language Commission as part of the Crown's Māori language strategy, the Maihi Karauna. This strategy supports the revitalisation strategy of Māori and iwi, led by Te Mātāwai.

Te Reo Maori is a taonga of Māori, guaranteed under the Treaty of Waitangi and the Māori Language Act 2016 also makes clear it is for every New Zealander and a valued part of our national identity.

Hundreds of people now celebrate September as Mahuru Māori, in which they dedicate themselves to speaking only Māori.

"Strength for an endangered language comes from its status, people being aware of how to support revitalisation, people acquiring and using it and from the language having the right words and terms to be used well for any purpose."

Every New Zealander can help strengthen our language; Te Reo Maori is New Zealand's language.

'Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori'. 'Kia Kaha' is well understood in New Zealand English with its meaning of 'be strong'. We often talk about languages as if they are people – talking about language health, strength and revitalisation. So when we say 'Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori' we're saying - 'Let's make the Māori language strong'.

ArtSplash Choir: This is all go for tomorrow! Tickets for the 13th September show are on sale now at the office. \$5 per ticket. Grab yours while they are available!

Postgate School Enrolment 2023: The Ballot has closed and this week we sort. If needed a ballot will be held on Friday.

Junior School Swimming: Our Year 1-3s swimming programme has started. Every Wednesday and Friday, except for the last Friday of Term 3.

BOT Elections: The results are due in tomorrow. We will send out a community results email on Wednesday. This will give us time to ensure that all candidates are aware of the results before we email them out.

Disco: This Friday! Years 1-4 start at 5pm and finish at 6:30pm. The Year 5-8s start at 7pm and finish at 9pm.

The disco is for Postgate School pupils only; it is ok to bring your young ones to the junior disco. However, lessons learned, no extras for the senior disco will be allowed.

Year 7/8 Formal: Our Year 7/8s will be having their Formal on Thursday 22nd September (unless there is news this afternoon!) in our school hall starting at 6pm. An official invite will be sent home shortly. We were non-committal on a date as we wanted to see if our children will be able to learn all the dances in time; it might be a bit tight, but we have faith in our Master, the Grasshopper, of Social Dancing!

Learning Conferences: These are set for Week 10, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Attendance: Today, our attendance rate is 84%, which is our average for 2022. Our daily attendance rates last week were: Monday - 88%; Tuesday – 90%; Wednesday – 92%; Thursday 91%; Friday - 90%

Our weekly average was 90%. Very cool and, hopefully, we move up to 93%; this is where we were most days pre-COVID.

Last Wednesday we had over 300 pupils at school. It has been nearly two and a bit years since we've had over 300 students at school.

Our Year 1s (94%), 3s, 4s, 5s, and 8s had a weekly attendance rate above 90% this week.

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

Thanking you for your support.

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