



## Postgate School Newsletter Term 4: Week 4 2024

### *To Create Life-Long Learners*

*We will promote life-long learning in our children by developing their social, intellectual, emotional, and physical skills in a creative and caring environment.*

**"It's time to play the music**

**It's time to light the lights**

**It's time to watch Postgate at the Cultural Show tonight."**

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau,

**CULTURAL EVENING TONIGHT!** Unless you have been living under a rock or not reading the HERO notifications, we are RED HOT for tonight. Action stations, please. Nobody panic!

#### **Key Information:**

**6pm** - Show starts - Te Rauparaha Arena. Doors open at 5:50pm; we will still be getting ready and organising ourselves on the stage!

**Crowd size** - 1,000 plus people

No parents are allowed out the back; staff and students only - thank you. It is crazy busy enough and we have everything covered.

#### **PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR CHILD BEFORE THE TIMES BELOW**

**5pm** - Year 7/8 students arrive

**5:20** - Years 4-6 students arrive, fully dressed ready to perform

**5:40** - Year 1-3 students arrive ready to perform, in costume, and toileted! They might be a bit nervous!

**5:50pm** - The main doors will not open until approximately 5:50pm - As we are not having a rehearsal at Te Rauparaha Arena, we will be doing last-minute run-throughs.

No bags, no drinks bottles, no food.

#### **Pick up after the show: Pick-up Procedures:**

- After the performance ends all students will go backstage to collect any personal items (shoes, jerseys etc) and return any accessories. **Parents/Caregivers** - Please wait patiently in the stage area; we will join you shortly. We are all in a rush to get home!

MC's will announce the following:

- **Year 1-3 teachers** will bring their class out to the stage and line them up. A parent or older sibling will come to the stage to collect their child from the line. Please check in with a teacher

- **Year 4-8 teachers** will release their students to go and collect their siblings and/or find their parents.

Costumes, please return Tuesday morning

- Thank you to Aroha Pokai (mother of Riviera) and Te Rehia Matthews (ex-Postgate parent) for all their outstanding work with all our cultural groups
- Thank you to Junior and Leta Telea (parents of Zephy, Christina and Elia) for their awesome work with ur school band
- Thank you to Pati Taii (father of Elisa, Emma, Eve and Esme) and Livingston Finau (father of Laryah) for offering to be our M.Cs for this evening
- Thank you to Micheale Vermunt (mother of Ella and Sawyer) and Andrew Matautia (father of Peyton) for offering to be our 'official' photographers for the evening
- Thank you to the many parents who have been busy sorting out the attire for students
- Thank you for supporting your child/ren this evening
- Thanks to our wonder staff for all their extra work leading up to this evening and this evening
- And finally, thank you to Heather Browne for organising our evening; plans, plans and more plans to ensure a smooth and enjoyable evening

**Battle of the Bands:** Congratulations to our school band, 4 the Flow, on their 2nd placing at The Battle of the Bands last week. An amazing achievement. Special thank you to Junior and Leta Taela (parents of Zephy, Christina and Elia) for their outstanding tutoring of our band.

**BUSY!** - Postgate has been hectic over the first three weeks of this term and there is no slowing down. Teachers are under the pump at the moment on various tasks; 2025 class lists, future-proofing Postgate, future puzzles, 2024 Reports, refreshed curriculum, IEPs, extra-curricular activities, Teacher Only Day and squeezing in a personal life while remaining fully focussed on lifting student achievement and improving student outcomes.

**Grandparents/Special Persons Day:** We hope our students special people enjoyed their time at Postgate and were able to spend time with their special people.

Thank you for your sweet treats for our morning tea on Friday. Your generosity was greatly appreciated.

**Library Help Wanted:** Our wonderful librarian, Barbara, needs help with covering new books. If you have some spare time please contact [barbara@postgate.school.nz](mailto:barbara@postgate.school.nz) I believe this 'work' can be done in the comfort of your own home.

**School photos:** A special notice was sent home on Thursday with your special code for ordering your child/family photos. Everything is done online through School Memories

**Sunhats:** Term 4, "Yes Hat, Yes Play". Otherwise, it is sit/play in a shaded area. All hats must be a wide-brim or bucket-style hat.

**Baseball/Trucker hats are not permitted** under our school policy. We have hats for sale from the office for \$10

**A Reminder - NO MORE ENVELOPES FOR SUBWAY:** Please use the HERO App to order Subway

This is where you can go to order food (Subway and Sushi) via the HERO app.

**Uniform Prices:** Our current uniform prices are \$30 for polo tops and **\$55 for school hoodies**; the hoodies were \$70. Louise has been "wheeling and dealing", again!

**Schooldocs Details:** All our school policies can be found at this website address: <https://postgate.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

## Term 4 review topics

- [Finance and Asset Management Policy](#)
- [Managing Income and Expenditure](#)
- [Financial Conflicts of Interest](#)
- [School Donations and Student Activity Payments / Attendance Dues and Other Income](#)
- [Expenditure](#)
- [Asset Management and Protection](#)

Community username - **postgate**

Community password - **pride**

**Thank you for your support of Postgate School.**

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

### **Term Dates 2024**

Term 4 – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
(Teacher Only Day - 8th November)

### **Term Dates 2025**

Term 1 - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January – 11<sup>th</sup> April  
(Waitangi Day - 6th Feb; Easter and ANZAC are during the holidays)

Term 2 – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – 27 June  
(Kings Birthday - 2nd June; Matariki - 20th June)

Term 3 – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
(Labour Day - 27th October  
Teacher Only Day - Friday 8th November)

## **Term 4 Calendar**

	4	5	6	7	8
4	<b>Cultural Concert - Te Rauparaha Arena - 6pm</b>	Parihaka Day	Year 7/8 Girls Cricket	Pasifika Tamaiti Group at Aotea College	<b>Teacher Only Day - Postgate School closed</b>
5	11	12	13	14	15
	Papua New Guinea Language	Regional Athletics			

	Week				
6	18	19	20	21	22
	Cohort 8 starts		Year 8 - Road Patrol Function		
7	25	26	27	28	29
	Solomon Island Language Week <b>Board of Trustees Meeting - 5pm</b>			Pasifika Tamaiti Group at Aotea College	Disco organised by our Year 8's
8	2	3	4	5	6
				Aotea College Orientation Day - Year 9s 2025	Helpers Lunch Family Merit Assembly 2024 Reports available on HERO
9	9	10	11	12	13
	2025 class placement available on HERO	With 2025 class middle block	Fun Assembly	Leavers Dinner 6pm	Last day of school for 2024. School finishes at 1pm



**“Together, We Learn and Achieve”**

**“Ma te mahi ngatahi,  
ka tu pakari te matauranga”**

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