



Postgate School Newsletter Term 2: Week 3 2025

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.

***"Children learn more from what you are
than what you teach."***

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa, whānau,

Board of Trustees Meeting

Your Board of Trustees will meet tonight at 5pm in the Staffroom.

Members of the public are welcome to attend any of our meetings, which are held twice a term—usually on Mondays in Week 3 and Week 8 of each term.

Our Term 2 policy review topics are noted further down in this newsletter.

Pasifika Parents Fono

This Wednesday 14 May – 6pm – Staffroom

Please join us for our Pasifika Fono.

We're pleased to welcome Dinah Osler-Malaulau and Ra Hansen, Pacific Engagement & Education (Ministry of Education), who will be sharing insights and answering your questions about attendance and achievement.

New World Wishing Well

Thank you to Carla, our Board of Trustees representative, for accepting a generous cheque from Whitby New World.

Postgate PRIDE!



Positive Parenting Evening with Pio Terei

Wednesday 28 May – 5pm – School Hall

This free event is proudly hosted by Postgate School for our whānau.

Pio Terei brings practical parenting wisdom with his trademark humour and warmth. His stories and down-to-earth advice will leave you inspired and uplifted—don't miss it!

Pio Terei is a prominent Māori entertainer from New Zealand, renowned for his work as a comedian, actor, television host, and advocate for whānau (family) well-being.

In recognition of his contributions to entertainment, Terei was appointed a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) in the 2012 New Year Honours.

Beyond entertainment, Terei is deeply committed to community and whānau development. He has partnered with Parenting Place to deliver parenting seminars across New Zealand, focusing on building stronger families. Following the loss of his 17-year-old son Teina to leukaemia in 2017, Terei has been an advocate for blood and bone marrow donation, aiming to increase Māori and Pasifika participation in these life-saving initiatives.

Pio Terei's multifaceted career and unwavering dedication to his community have solidified his status as a cherished and influential figure in New Zealand.

Pedal Ready (Years 4–8)

We're now in Week 3 of 4 for our Pedal Ready programme.

It's fantastic to have Mata (Postgate parent), Chris Te'o (former Postgate parent), and their team delivering this programme at our school.

Our students are making excellent progress, and some will be venturing out onto the roads around Whitby this week.

Attendance – Our Focus This Term

Regular attendance is vital for your child's success.
Attendance rates for last week:

- Monday = 96%
- Tuesday = 95%
- Wednesday = 94%
- Thursday = 93%
- Friday = 91%
- Weekly average = 94%

Let's work together to lift our Friday attendance—every day counts!

Thank you to the parents who do keep their children at home when they are genuinely unwell. This is the right thing to do, and we are grateful that you do this.

Stay Updated on HERO

A reminder to stay informed with all things Postgate via the HERO app.
It's your one-stop shop for updates, notices, and school communication.

Key Dates – Term 2

- Wednesday 28 May – Pio Terei Parenting Evening, 5pm - A must for all our school community
- Monday 2 June – King's Birthday – School closed
- Friday 20 June – Matariki – School closed

Ordering lunch: Subway on Wednesdays and Sushi on Fridays (order online via the HERO app) If you are unsure how to do this, please ask

SchoolDocs: A reminder that our policies are on SchoolDocs.

To log in to school docs, go to - postgate.schooldocs.co.nz

User name: postgate

Password: pride

Term 2 polices for review

- [Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises](#)

- [Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis](#)

- [Emergency Closure](#)

- [Emergency Management](#)

- [Disaster Management](#)

- [Crisis Management](#)

Uniform Prices: Our current uniform prices are \$30 for polo tops and **\$55 for school hoodies**; the hoodies were \$70.

Thank you for your support of Postgate School.

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

Term Dates 2025

Term 2 – Monday 28th April – 27 June

(Kings Birthday - 2nd June;

Matariki - 20th June)

Term 3 – Monday 14th July – 19th September

Term 4 – Monday 6th October – Friday 12th December

(Grandparents/Special Persons Day - 24th October

Labour Day - 27th October)

Term 2 Calendar 2025

	12	13	14	15	16
3	Board of Trustees meeting - 5pm		Pasifika Parents Fono - 6pm		
4	19	20	21	22	23
			Endeavour Trip	Endeavour Trip	Family Merit Assembly
5	26	27	28	29	30
			St Johns First Aid - Catch up sessions	St Johns First Aid - Catch up	

			An Evening with Pio - Positive Whanau's - 5pm - School hall	sessions	
	2	3	4	5	6
6	Kings Birthday - No school Gagana Samoa Language Week		BLAKE NZVR	BLAKE NZVR	
	9	10	11	12	13
7					
	16	17	18	19	20
8	Board of Trustees Meeting - 5pm			Matariki Breakfast	Matariki - No school
	23	24	25	26	27
9			Art Exhibition Learning Conversations	Art Exhibition Learning Conversations	Family Merit Assembly End of Term 2



“Together, We Learn and Achieve”

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

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