

Term 2 2019 Calendar

1	29 Powhiri for new students and families Badminton Pasifika Advisory Group Meeting 6:30pm - Staffroom	30 Badminton	May 1 MoveMprove starts Year 1-6	2 MoveMprove Year 1-6	3
2	6 Badminton	7 Badminton	8 MoveMprove Year 1-6	9 Mothers' Day Stall MoveMprove Year 1-6	10 Call for nominations -BOT
3	13 Bot Meeting 6pm Badminton	14 Badminton	15 MoveMprove Year 1-6	16 MoveMprove Year 1-6	17
4	20 Badminton	21 Badminton	22 MoveMprove Year 1-6	23 MoveMprove Year 1-6	24 Nominations Close- BOT Elections
5	27 Samoan Language Week Badminton	28 Badminton	29 MoveMprove Year 1-6	30 MoveMprove Year 1-6 School Cross Country	31 Family Merit Assembly
6	3 Lizzy's Birthday No school	4 Badminton	5 MoveMprove Year 1-6	6 MoveMprove Year 1-6	7 BOT Election Date
7	10 Badminton	11 Parumoana Cross Country	12 MoveMprove Year 1-6	13 MoveMprove Year 1-6 BOT Vote Count Day	14 New BOT take office
8	17 BOT 6pm	28	19 MoveMprove Year 1-6	20 MoveMprove finishes Year 1-6	21
9	24	25	26 Careers Afternoon Year 7/8	27	28 School Disco
10	1	2	3 Learning Conferences ???	4 Learning Conferences ???	5 Family Merit Assembly End Term 2



Postgate School Newsletter

Term 2: Week 1 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

"Take care of our children. Take care of what they hear, take care of what they see and take care of what they feel. For how the children grow, so will be the shape of Aotearoa"

- Dame Whina Cooper

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 whānau

Welcome back to Term 2: We hope you enjoyed a couple of weeks with your children and the break from school. Term 2 is already action filled with many opportunities for your child; in and out of their classrooms.

All children will be working with the Badminton Wellington over the first half of the term. It would be appreciated if all children have the appropriate footwear for these sessions (running shoes).

Our waharoa Te Tai O Nga Tipuna was blessed and unveiled this morning. There are so many people to thank and all played a major contribution in bringing Te Tai O Nga Tipuna to Postgate School. Liz Cherrington, an ex-Postgate parent and BOT member, had a vision 18 months ago and today we got to see this vision come alive! Although Liz left Postgate a few years ago, her heart has remained with us.

Our Whanau Kaitiaki (where Liz first spoke about how awesome it would be) for all their mahi over the past 18 months.

Ian Thomas, father of Bernie Conroy (current BOT member) for the Totara; felled from his own backyard in the Far North.

Murray Todd and his lads from Rimutaka who spent many hours producing a beautiful waharoa for us. At the beginning of this journey, we meet with the carvers for about three hours talking to them about Postgate. What they have produced acknowledges all that is Postgate and Ngati Toa/Porirua. On either side of Rangi are the four winds which represents us all, along with the five Whanau Groups across the top.

Thanks to Damion Stapp from Stapp Contracting for his outstanding work, once again. And of course, Glenn Cassidy who was over everything happening, like he always is. Thanks also to Hamuera and Shar for supplying the muscle last night to lift everything into place; it isn't light!

Maureen Bate organised the kai this morning and with her crew of helpers (Lady, Asmita, Deb, Sue, Paula) set up the hall last night. Thanks, heaps Team.

Our Staffroom has been given a facelift with new carpet tiles down. A huge thank you to Ryan Neville, Postgate parent and Glenn Cassidy for laying these tiles all day Saturday. The pattern was designed by a group of Year 7/8 pupils; great work kids!

Postgate School always has something on the go and this is possible by parents working together for the best possible outcomes for your child/ren. Another example of this is tonight where the Pasifika Advisory Group are meeting to plan Samoan Language Week; the first Language Week for 2019.

Pasifika Advisory Group: Are meeting tonight at 6:30pm in the Staffroom.

Staying Connected: We were really impressed last term with the amount of parents/families coming to visit their child in class and/or meeting with the teacher to discuss the learning taking place. We really want and need you to continue with this. At the end of Term 2 we have our Learning Conferences, a formal time, however, it would be awesome if you didn't need to meet because your family have been in

regular contact with the classroom teacher. Keep up the contact and continue to champion your child/ren's success at school.

Family Merit Assembly: Thank you to the many parents who attended our Merit Assembly at the end of the last term. Awesome to see so many people 'championing' the success of their child/ren.

Uniform: We would appreciate it if all children arrive at school in the correct school uniform. We understand that there will be the odd time, due to washing and drying, that a child may need to wear a non-regulation uniform. Please note that a Norths hoody and the Postgate Tag hoody are not regulation uniform.

We have plenty of uniform in stock at school. Lesleigh and Jacqui will provide any assistance for you.

Contact Details: Have any of your contact details changed over the course of Term 1? New cell number? Moved to a new home? If so, please let us know at school.

Email Address: Do we have an email address for you? If we had to contact the whole school in the unlikely event of an emergency, emailing is the quickest way. Imagine us ringing each family! If you have an email address and I don't have it, please send me an email: principal@postgate.school.nz And as many families have found out, and some still to work out, this is how you receive the school newsletter. Just put 'Newsletter' in the subject line.

Planning for 2020: Yes, that's right, 2020. Planning for 2020's intake of pupils is well advanced. If you have a child who is turning 5 in 2020 please check with Lesleigh that she has all your details. We will have to hold a ballot, like last year, and early notice is a great help to us. If you know of a family who is interested in sending their child/ren to Postgate School, please tell them to come and visit us ASAP.

Sports Uniforms: Now that Term 1 Sports are finished can we please have all sports uniforms returned to school. We invested plenty of money a couple of years ago upgrading our sports uniform. Families who do not return the sports uniforms will be invoiced (last resort) and their children will not be issued a sports uniform in the future. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Mother's Day Stall: Be prepared! Next week we will be having our Mother's Day Stall. More details are on a separate notice to be sent home Wednesday.

Thanking you for your support.

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

Hei kona mai