

Term 2 2019 Calendar

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 St Marys Open 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

Absent Text Line: To make life easier, you can send us a text if your child is going to be absent from school. We do not answer this phone so there is no point ringing it, just text, but only for absentees please. The school cell phone number is 027 7466791. When you text with an absentee could you please supply all the information below:

- Child's name in full, not text speak! i.e. Adam Campbell
- Room number or teacher's name i.e Room 16/Freddie Jones
- Reason for absence i.e Man Flu

Besides texting, you can always ring on the landline and let us know. The school phone number is 2359358. Or you can email us at school. Please ensure you have your child's teacher, Jacqui and/or myself in the email address 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.



Postgate School Newsletter Term 2: Week 3 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

"The problem is not the problem. The problem is your attitude about the problem. Do you understand?"

- Captain Jack Sparrow

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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May 13, 2019

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau

Aotea College Enrolments 2020: If your child is in Year 8 and you are looking at enrolling your child into Aotea College next year, you had better get cracking and fill in an enrolment form! Aotea College's roll is **BOOMING** and is becoming a school of choice. Aotea College has an enrolment scheme and if you live outside the Aotea Zone you can only gain entry through the ballot.

BOT Meeting: Your BOT are meeting tonight Monday at 6 pm in the Staffroom. This is a public meeting; you are more than welcome to attend. On the agenda tonight is: Term 1 Testing Results- PAT and E-AsTTle Writing; Year 7/8 Technology and, as always, Finance.

Full minutes from meetings are available from the school office. Lesleigh does an outstanding job of keeping detailed minutes from our BOT Meeting.

Te Whanau Kaitiaki Meeting: Your TWK are meeting **NEXT** Wednesday, 22nd May, 6:30pm in the staffroom. Please note the change of date for this meeting.

Matariki Celebrations: This year we want our community to come and share their knowledge with groups of students as part of our Matariki Celebrations.

We are running workshops in the afternoon (2-3pm) of the 10th, 12th, and 13th June.

If you would like to come and share your knowledge with our tamariki let Kelvin or Deb know.

We are also thinking of having a community hangi to celebrate Matariki, however, we need people with the skills and expertise to help do this for our community. If you have the know-how and the contacts for baskets, irons, rocks etc, please let either Kelvin, Deb, Lady or myself know.

Samoan Language Week: Starting Week 5 (27 May) is Samoan Language Week. We have been very fortunate over the years to have parents/families share with our children their heritage and language. Teachers will be learning, with the children teaching, Samoan phrases in the classroom. If you would like to assist in a classroom, please let your child's classroom teacher know. It would be fantastic to see Samoan Aiga's in our school sharing their culture and heritage. If that sounds like you, please make contact with your child's teacher or myself.

Mother's Day Stall: Thank you for your support of our Fundraising Stall last week. Special thanks to Karen, Senita, Paula and Carly for their organisation on the day; calling kids, collecting gifts and money, wrapping presents and all done with a smiling face. It is actually a very cool day at Postgate as the kids are very

excited to be getting something for their mums. Awesome work Postgate School. \$373 dollars was raised.

Board of Trustees Election: By now, or very shortly, you will receive via your letterbox, information about our Board of Trustees elections. Part one is the calling of nominations for people to stand for the Board. If you are on our school roll you can nominate yourself, or have someone else nominate you.

The success of Postgate School depends on people putting themselves forward to serve their local community.

The timeline for the elections is:

Event	Date
Call for Nominations sent	May 10 th , 2019
Nominations Close	May 24 th , 2019
Voting Papers Sent by	May 29 th 2019
Voting Day	June 7th, 2019- Friday
Count Votes	June 13 th , 2019
Board Takes Office	June 14 th , 2019

Please consider putting yourself forward for this very important position within our school.

If you are nominated or nominate yourself, it is advisable to hand in your candidate statement at the same time. The timeframe between nominations closing and voting papers being sent out is very tight

Unwell Children: The next two terms are our Sick terms when we experience higher levels of 'unwellness' at school. To help stop the spread of unwanted illnesses, it is important to follow the Ministry of Health and our own procedures when addressing sickness. If your child has been vomiting or had diarrhoea they must be system free for 48 hours before they return back to school. That is two or three days at home before your child can return to school.

For further information, please follow the link to the Ministry of Health's website page entitled 'School Exclusion'. <http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/school-exclusion>

Good Time Music Bus: Those families who have enrolled their child in music lessons for this term, please ensure you pay your bill to Good Time Music. They would greatly appreciate prompt payment.

Thanking you for your support.

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

Hei kona mai