

Term 2 2019 Calendar

4	Badminton ²⁰	Badminton ²¹	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ²²	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ²³	Nominations Close- BOT Elections ²⁴
5	Samoan Language Week Badminton ²⁷	Badminton ²⁸	MoveMprove Year 1-6 Proposed STRIKE DAY ²⁹	MoveMprove Year 1-6 School Cross Country ³⁰	Family Merit Assembly ³¹
6	Lizzy's Birthday No school ³	Badminton ⁴	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ⁵	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ⁶	BOT Election Date ⁷
7	Badminton ¹⁰	Parumoana Cross Country ¹¹	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ¹²	MoveMprove Year 1-6 BOT Vote Count Day St Marys Open Day ¹³	New BOT take office ¹⁴
8	BOT 6pm ¹⁷	²⁸	MoveMprove Year 1-6 ¹⁹	MoveMprove finishes Year 1-6 ²⁰	²¹
9	²⁴	²⁵	Careers Afternoon Year 7/8 ²⁶	²⁷	School Disco ²⁸
10	¹	²	Learning Conferences ??? ³	Learning Conferences ??? ⁴	Family Merit Assembly End Term 2 ⁵

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.

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.



Postgate School Newsletter Term 2: Week 4 2019

Mission Statement

To Create Life-Long Learners

“My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humour, and some style.”
- **Maya Angelou**

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 20, 2019

Kia ora mai anō tātou katoa whānau

Postgate School Welcome: Welcome to Mr Tim Wilson who is the new teacher in Room 1.

Mr Dave Preston has taken medical leave for the remainder of 2019.

2019 Whole School Cross Country! Next Thursday, 30th May, (weather permitting)

Come and support our runners as they compete for Whānau points on our challenging but achievable course!

Exploration and Endeavour syndicates (Years 1-3) will be racing 9:15am

Voyager and Crows Nest (Years 4-8) racing at 2:15pm

Runners can wear their whānau colours with PRIDE and support their whānau. Come along and support our students!

Unwell Children: Oh boy! Was there a bit of sickness at Postgate last week. We had between 17% to 29% of our school roll away on any given day last week. Thanks for ensuring your child was symptom-free before returning.

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>

Sports Uniforms: We are missing a number of sports tops. Can you please check around your house for numbers 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 28, 31 and 36.

BOT Meeting: At our last BOT meeting, we thanked Alex Duff for his three-year service to our BOT as the Staff Rep. Alex is not seeking re-election due to the arrival of their first born in a few weeks. We thank Alex for his contribution to the future direction of our school.

We also thanked your BOT Chair, Phil Townley, and Deputy Chair, Bernie Conroy for their service over the past three years. We are hopeful that both Phil and Bernie will seek re-election for the upcoming elections.

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 is meeting **this** Wednesday, 22nd May, 6:30pm in the staffroom. Please note the change of date for this meeting.

Matariki Celebrations: 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: Next week (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; maybe you could come in this week and help teach the Samoan National Anthem to some classes. If that sounds like you, please make contact with your child's teacher or myself.

Also, if we pronounce your name, your child's name or family name incorrectly, please let us know. Your PAG team are going to make a video of how to pronounce names correctly across our school. There was a great article in the NZ Herald this week by Teuila Fuatai entitled "Saying Names Right is About Respecting Cultural Identity".

The theme for Samoan Language Week is: 'Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'i manuia' - 'Weave an environment for a better future'.

Postgate School Sports Teams: Thank you to Theresa Nimorota and the other parents involved for taking the lead with the two netball teams. A notice was sent home on Friday. If you did not receive one, please let me know.

Thanks also to Ma sandifer for taking the lead with the basketball teams and the parents for being managers for these teams.

Board of Trustees Election: A reminder about our upcoming elections.

The timeline for the elections is:

Event	Date
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.

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!

Thanking you for your support.

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

Hei kona mai