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Dear Parents & Caregivers Tēnā koutou te hunga pānui o tō tātou hāpori. Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa

Welcome back. I hope you have been having a great time watching the Olympics. One of the things I have been fascinated with is finding out we have athletes in such a variety of events. I wasn't aware we had Dylan Schmidt in the trampolining but if you got a chance to see it, wasn't it just amazing. I also enjoyed seeing our our two athletes in the womans hammer throw.

We have our own little school mini Olympics coming up this week on Friday between 10.00 and 12.30. Pop down for a look and stay to have lunch if you are able.

A couple of big things happening this week. All year 6 students are heading to Napier Intermediate tomorrow for their Big Day Out – seeing what Intermediate life is like and all the options that Intermediates bring. The other is 'moving day'. This is slightly up in the air just at the time of writing, however, Piki are able to be moved into their space this week which means Aoraki are able to be moved to the hall. We have also been given the heads up that the office may only be approx five weeks away. It is starting to feel that everything is coming together.

Production planning and activities is starting to ramp up. Here's a message from Mrs Robertson

Hi everyone,

We are well underway preparing for our school production -YAY! We love creating these amazing performances as they are such a fabulous experience for our tamariki. The children are starting to get really excited about it as we start the practices and begin creating costumes.

Are you able to help?

If you can spare some time and are willing to, we would love you to help us in one of the following ways.

1. Cutting morning Friday 6th August 9-11am. Come along on Friday if you can spare a couple of hours to help cut out fabric. Bring your scissors if you have some.

2. **Sew** some costumes. Email me and let me know that you are keen to help sew some costumes and I will be in touch when they are ready.

3. Help make **props**. Email me and let me know that you would like to help with the props and I will let you know what we need done.

4. If you have any of these things at home and would like to **donate** them to us, please send them to the office.

- Elastic
- Thread (basic colours)
- Any plain fabric (not patterned)
- Bamboo (1m lengths)
- Fake flowers
- Safety pins

Thank you for your help everyone, we really appreciate it. Please get in touch if you have any questions (<u>emma@portahuriri.school.nz</u>). Emma Robertson

Important Dates / School Events

| 6 August | |
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| 22 / 23 Sept | |
| 01 Oct | |

School Olympics School Production Nights End of TermThree

5 things to ask your kids instead of "How was school"?

- 1. What made you smile today?
- 2. Who did you sit with at lunch?
- 3. If you could change one thing
- about today what would that be?
- 4. What was the hardest rule to follow today?

 Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.

Here is a little graphic I found on a teacher's newsletter this morning. While some of the questions are perhaps a little odd it is a nice reminder that the questiosn we ask will generate the reposnse we get and focussing on the positive and specific will stop the dreaded "nothing" as an answer.

Koina ngā kōrero mo tēnei wā Kia pai ō koutou wiki Nāku nā

Glenn

New Enrolments

A warm welcome to:



Ari Baylis, Luca Carlton, Lennie Persoon, Jacob Harris, Hazel Shipp and Kinsgley Zhao who have started with us this term. We hope you enjoy your school days at Port Ahuriri School ©