

Portobelo Kaiapoi Preschool

Teaching and Learning Statement

When it comes to teaching and learning, we believe in the importance of:

- Building relationships with our children, families and community, through respectful responsive communication (Whānaungatanga)
- Getting to know our children and families for who they are; valuing the diverse knowledge and backgrounds they bring, so everyone feels welcome (Manākitanga).
- Being sensitive to children's emotional wellbeing in our moment by moment interactions as we learn together in positive and peaceful ways.
- Providing fun, challenging opportunities and resources that inspire imagination, fascination, creativity and problem solving as we all learn together (Ako).
- Environments that encourage children to care for, engage with and respect the world around them (Kaitiakitanga).
- Working alongside children and whānau to foster children's skills dispositions and independence to ensure success for their ongoing journey to school and beyond.