



Partners Porirua

What skills do you need to be successful in work?

Have you ever thought about running your own business? Have you dreamt about owning a clothing company, a fitness gym, or maybe even a tourism business? Or maybe owning your own business is not your thing and you're happy to work for someone else.

Either way there are skills that you need to be successful in any work you pursue. These skills include:

- ◆ Where will you be next year?
- ◆ Being able to identify opportunities
- ◆ Goal-oriented behaviour and problem-solving skills
- ◆ Calculated risk taking
- ◆ Being creative and innovative
- ◆ Displaying vision and commitment

Partners Porirua is currently working with students in colleges in Porirua to introduce them to Education for Enterprise (E4E).

So what is E4E? E4E is a new way of teaching the curriculum. Rather than learning 'text book style', students can apply what they learn in class to real-life business situations.

At Bishop Viard College, students from the school's Environmental Committee have worked closely with Partners Porirua and Porirua City Council's EnviroSchools co-ordinator to implement the E4E way of learning by focussing on recycling. The exercise required them to identify the problem, plan an action, deliver it, and evaluate the outcome.

The students went through 60 bags of rubbish and found that 58% of waste was paper waste and could be recycled. From there the students put together a plan to reduce paper waste by providing paper recycling bins in each class room.

Year 10 technology students have made compost bins for organic waste, easy to use plastic waste bins have been designed and the school community has been educated about the importance of recycling.

Although the exercise focussed on a school matter the process was one that the students could apply to any working or business situation. That is what Education for Enterprise is all about.

For more information about Education for Enterprise, contact Sandie Savage, School Partnership Facilitator Phone 237-1104 or (027) 252-0392



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Let us know who we should write about

Do you know of any young people from Porirua who are doing massive things?? It could be in sport, academic, the arts, music or in the community. It might be you! If you want us to showcase a young person from Porirua let us know.

Do you want to be a writer?

Do you want to write? Maybe you write now but need an avenue to 'xpress' yourself! Becoming a writer for Yx-Press is a good opportunity to expand on your writing, publish your work in the media and learn new skills. It's not just about writing. There are opportunities to meet other young people, go to a number of events, but ultimately you will gain communication skills that will stay with you for life.

Let us know what you think!

Tell us what you think of YxPress. It's always good to get feedback on what we are doing well and what we could improve on. You might enjoy an article or completely disagree with a story...either way we would love to hear from you!

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