



## Welcome back to another exciting school year at Portola Springs Elementary!

On behalf of the PTA, I want to extend a warm welcome to both our returning families and those joining us for the first time. We are thrilled to serve you this year and to focus on what makes our school so special—our strong, connected community. I'm personally passionate about instilling not just academic excellence, but also values of integrity, character, leadership, and service in the next generation.

**Our children often learn more from us than they ever could in a classroom.** Be the example they need—show them what character, service, and kindness look like in everyday life. The lessons they see in you will help shape who they become. Joining, supporting, and serving with the PTA directly impacts your community, your school, and your child.

This year, our theme is **“Building Community: Block by Block”**—inspired by Minecraft! Just like in the game, where every block adds to something amazing, each one of you plays an important role in making our school a place where students can learn, grow, and thrive. Together, our goal is to build meaningful connections between students, families, teachers, and staff.



The PTA works year-round to support our school through events, programs, and resources that enrich the student experience. None of this would be possible without our amazing members and volunteers. Whether you contribute your time, ideas, skills, or financial support through our Pledge Drive & Jog-A-Thon fundraisers, you are helping to place the “blocks” that build our vibrant school community.

We look forward to connecting with you at upcoming events and seeing how, together, we can make this the best school year yet. Let's keep building, block by block, and watch our community grow!

With excitement and gratitude,

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