



## PARTY PERFECTION

Our top ten tips for Housewarming Hosts. We all know when we've been to a great party, but just what is it that makes a party great? Below you'll find our top ten hints and tips for housewarming party perfection.

- 1 For a great party, you need great company. You don't have to invite your whole neighbourhood. For a relaxing, drama-free night, invite the people you like ... and make sure they like each other!
- 2 Drink responsibly. Go easy on the booze, and keep it legal. Great parties don't usually involve ambulances or the police!
- 3 Do you want to dance? Involve your guests in your party planning and ask them for music suggestions. Send out a text or an email: "Five songs that make you dance. What are they?" Include as many of their choices in your party playlist as you can. Dancing is almost guaranteed!
- 4 If you're hosting a dance party, some of your guests may be wearing high heels. Consider their comfort: get an empty box or a basket and fill it with cheap or second-hand flip flops for people to wear when their feet get sore.
- 5 Make a piggy bank for any H2H3 donations. It doesn't have to be fancy – you could just cut a hole in a cardboard box and put glitter on it. Make sure your guests know donations are voluntary.
- 6 If you're hosting a fancy dinner party, make your own centre pieces. You could take an old glass vase, put in a big altar candle, and then pack it with sand or pebbles from your nearest beach. Sprinkle in some sparkling confetti and glitter, and you've got yourself one impressive (and cheap!) table feature.
- 7 Watching movies? Ask your guests to suggest two movies each in the days leading up to your party ... and then let them vote for their favourites.
- 8 There's always somebody with special dietary requirements, so consider asking your friends to bring their own food. That way everybody will have access to at least one thing they like to eat!
- 9 Party emergencies are not the end of the world. Power cuts out? Light some candles and tell ghost stories. There are very few party problems that can't be overcome with a little bit of laughter and creativity.
- 10 Chill out! It's important for you to enjoy the party, too.

However you decide to celebrate the opening of the Jacmel Children's Center, we hope you have a fabulous time. Take care, and enjoy: this moment would not have been possible without you and your support.

