

Kirton Point Primary School

Welcome to Room 23 Foundation/Year 1 with Miss Mcdowall



January 28, 2020

I'd like to welcome all students and families to Kirton Point Primary School in 2020. This is my first-year teaching and I am extremely excited to be your child's 2020 class teacher at KPPS.

The class commences with fourteen students in Foundation and Year 1

I take this opportunity to invite care providers into the classroom for daily Buddy Reading, which runs from 8.45 to 9.10am. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to spend time with your child, as well as their peers, in the school setting. Students love having their parents in the classroom and often feel a strong sense of pride and belonging, especially when parents are interacting with a variety of students.

Throughout the year, please feel free to contact me either in person or via the school telephone (8682 1003) regarding your child. I strongly believe in positive home / school communication hope to connect with parents. By having open lines of communication between school and home, your child will see how important they are to both Kirton Point Primary staff and their parents. When a child realises that school and home are working together the child feels safe to explore, challenge, and learn at their optimal level.

Children will begin the term by settling into their new class, visiting the school values and developing shared classroom rules.

As part of the whole school focus the Junior Primary will be teaching Phonics through the InitialLit program.

In Numeracy, we will begin the first fortnight with a number focus.

Teaching *Play is the Way* will continue to develop the social and emotional wellbeing of the Kirton Point Primary School community.

Parents are invited to the Parent Information Night in Week 3, in Room 23. I encourage all parents to attend. Later in the term, three-way interviews will be held. At this interview we invite the student and their care providers to attend a session with the teacher.

A reminder to be sun smart in Term 1, following DfE requirements, that all students wear a broad brimmed hat at all times when outside. These hats are for sale from the school front office.

As part of the school nutrition policy I remind parents that students should bring drink bottles filled with water only, and fruit or vegetables for daily Crunch and Sip time, as well as providing healthy eating choices for recess and lunch.

Looking forward to fun and successful school year.

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