2A Class Information – Kirwan State School

**Class location:** Mod 6

**Teacher’s Name:** Mrs Jodie Flynn

**Classroom philosophy:**
2A prides itself on acceptance of difference and the understanding that all children are unique individuals and deserved to be treated as such.

**Communication with Mrs Flynn**

Parent interviews are held at the conclusion of Terms 1 and 3. Written reports are at the conclusion of Terms 2 and 4.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should your child be experiencing *any* difficulty at school.

For short conversations I am available in the classroom at 8.30am. For longer conversations/concerns, an organised appointment would be appreciated. I may be contacted via the school office.

**SWPBS**

Kirwan State Primary School is a State Wide Positive Behaviour School. Our school has 3 clear expectations, at Kirwan we are Safe, Respectful and Responsible learners. Each and every child is encouraged through our school wide ‘gotcha’ system which rewards students who demonstrate the appropriate behaviour across a variety of school settings.

2A has high expectation of the expected behaviour. The students and I have already designed a set of class rules. Ask your child what these are!!

There are several ‘in class’ reward systems to acknowledge and reward students that display safe, respectful and responsible behaviours. There is also an easy to understand consequence flow chart that students are aware of.

I believe Year 2 is a year where students are able to demonstrate independence and responsibility, in both their social and academic behavioural choices.

**Absences**

Should your child be absent from school, it would be greatly appreciated if you contact the school to advise. This allows for effective roll marking.

**Parent Helpers**

We are happy to have parents come in and assist in the day to day routine; however, this is more effective if there is strong commitment to attend if you offer your services.
Curriculum overview

The subjects of English, Maths, Science and History are now prescribed by the Australian Curriculum. Education Queensland has also introduced time allocations for Key Learning Areas - 7 hours a week for English, 5 hours a week for Maths and 1 hour for Science. These time allocations are factor ed into our daily timetable.

Homework

Homework is a requirement of Education Queensland. Homework will be handed out on Friday and is due to be handed in the following Thursday.

Homework will consist of mainly literacy and numeracy activities. All homework tasks are a revision of work completed in class. Some tasks may be completed on the homework sheet.

Students will also be required to take home ‘home readers.’ These readers can be changed as often as required. The students are learning to take responsibility of changing the home readers themselves.

It would be wonderful if someone in your family could take the time to listen to your child read. Children learn to read by reading. After reading, please also take the time to chat with your child about what they have just read. Reading is more than working out the words!! It is important that the child has understood what they have just read.

Some students will also have a sight word page glued into their homework book. Sight words assist with reading. Your child will need to practice these sight words at home. Your child does not need to know how to spell these words. When your child knows a word on the list, they colour it in.

Specialist Lessons – times:

Specialist lessons are as follows:

- Library – Monday @ 8.50am – all students must have a library bag
- PE (Mrs Talbot) Tuesday @ 11:30am
- Music (Mrs Ransom) – Wednesday @10:20am
- Religion – Tuesday @12.30pm
- Assembly – Wednesday @ 2pm
- Swimming – lessons will be held later in the year

I look forward to working alongside all of you, to provide the optimum learning environment for your child. Certainly it will be a busy, productive and enjoyable year!!

Jodie Flynn