Welcome to 1B
My name is Mrs Brooks and I am the classroom teacher of 1B. Our class is a stage 1 class with 17 students. In our class we have 10 boys and 7 girls. We are already off to an excellent start showing great enthusiasm for our learning and developing into a team that workstogther.

Units of Work Term 1
In addition to English and Mathematics, 1B will be undertaking the following units of work in Term 1.

- **Human Society in Its Environment (H.S.I.E) “Families, Past and Present”** - We are exploring our physical characteristics: what makes us unique and what we share in common with others. We will also look at families and the community.

- **Personal Development, Health & Physical Education (P.D.H.P.E)** - We are focusing on our Positive Behaviour for Learning (P.B.L) lessons, Life Education, Sun Safety and Road Safety.

- **Creative Arts** - we will be experimenting with different drawing media including crayons, paint, dyes, to create effects to capture true object in the environment.

Homework
Homework will be given out on Monday. Please return homework folders on Friday. Children will receive English and a Mathematics sheet (revision) as well as a spelling sheet with room to revise words each day. Home Readers may be exchanged each day or as required.

Classroom Reward System
Part of our reward system is Class Dojo which is used to reinforce positive behaviour and class rules, using positive and negative points. The children with the most positive points at the end of the week receive an award.

The second reward system is a sticker chart. This was designed to prevent children losing stickers from their shirt during the day. As the children fill the chart of 10 stickers they receive an award or small prize.
EQUIPMENT REQUIRED
To ensure that your child has the necessary equipment for school, please check the following list:-
* box of tissues
* homework folder
* a library bag
* pump soap
* glue stick

Release from Face to Face (RFF)
Release from Face to Face is a time for the children to work with teachers who have expertise in other areas. Mrs Elks teaches 1B on Mondays and concentrates on the current H.S.I.E unit. Miss Daly works with 1B on Friday and focuses on a Mathematics program called TENS which is an activity based program.

Library
Library is currently on a Tuesday with Mr Byrnes and combining both KC and 1B. The children will learn to use the Library correctly and following procedures to borrow and return books. In order to borrow, students require a library bag or pillowcase in order to protect the book.

Mathletics / ABC Reading Eggs
In 2014, our school has again generously subscribed to the wonderful ‘Mathletics’ and ‘ABC Reading Eggs’ educational programs in order to give our students free access. Both of these programs have proven highly successful in engaging students in the very important skills of learning to read and working mathematically. Your child has now been given password access to these programs and has begun using them in their classroom. We further encourage students (where possible) to access these programs regularly from home in order to enhance their learning. Should you have any queries about ‘Mathletics’ or ‘Reading Eggs’, please don’t hesitate to contact Mrs Brooks.

Contacting the School
If you have an issue you would like to discuss about your child, please feel free to contact the school to make an appointment by phoning 4729 0392, or call in and see your child’s classroom teacher before or after school.