



King's Christian College

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Prep class gives King's students a kick start into Year 1

Students who attended the Prep class in 2006 at King's Christian College have launched into Year 1 well ahead of the average student prior to the introduction of Prep. After 2 weeks of school, Year 1 teachers report that students are generally much more settled, understand classroom rules and are more ready to learn than in previous years.

Lorraine Oswald, Head of Primary at King's said that the students coming through the Prep year understand classroom basics such as how to sit still, how to listen and pay attention to their teacher, and they understand classroom rules and etiquette.

'At the start of the first year of school, teachers often need to spend quite some time teaching the children how to behave in a classroom,' said Mrs Oswald. 'It is a new experience for the children, and they need to learn these skills before effective teaching and learning can take place.'

'We have noticed that the students coming from our Prep class already have these skills and are ready and excited to learn new things in Year 1.'

Mrs Oswald said that graduates of Prep at King's have learnt number and letter skills and many are reading independently – which is a great launching pad into Year 1.

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We also have Child Care, Pre-school and After School Hours Care facilities.

Our Mission is to *"Educate students in Christian leadership for tomorrow's generation."*