

August 26, 2024

Greetings Kirkbride Families,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year!. My name is Nertila Ferko and I will be teaching 1st grade in room 202. This is my fourth year teaching at Kirkbride and I am so excited to be part of its community. With your support and cooperation, your child can anticipate a productive and successful learning experience filled with many learning activities, student discovery, and so much more!

Homework will be given Monday through Thursday. Reading is essential! Please read or have your child read to you for 15 minutes every night. I will be using Class Dojo as our communication tool. Please make sure you provide the school with your updated email, home address, emergency contact, and telephone number.

The first grade team has an ESOL teacher and a learning support teacher. Ms. Dawn Hiltner will be our first grade ESOL teacher and Mrs. Toscani is the learning support teacher. If you need to reach out to them with questions or concerns I have listed their emails below. Ms. Dawn: <u>dhiltner@philad.org</u> Mrs. Jessica Toscani: <u>ideluca@philasd.org</u>

I look forward to learning more about your child as we work together to provide a safe, positive, and engaging learning environment.

Sincerely, Mrs. Ferko nferko@philasd.org