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Teaching – where the future begins

Inspiring minds and shaping futures

Bridget Canty-Walters, a first-year teacher at Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School in Ormeau, has had a passion for teaching ever since she was a child.

"I was always meant to be a teacher. I loved every minute of primary school and loved learning, and now I get to pass on that passion to the next generation," Bridget said.

Bridget's previous experience working as a teacher aide and in out-of-school hours care (OSHC) kept her connected to the world of teaching.

"Although I had many jobs beforehand, they kept my passion for teaching alive while studying," she said.

"Teacher aide and OSHC work allowed me to explore different pedagogies and practices and understand students."

Although her teaching career is still in its early stages, Bridget finds immense joy in finally having her own classroom.

"Being able to implement the strategies you've been intrigued with, as well as creating your own dream space, is super rewarding," she said.

"Creating an environment that reflects my teaching philosophy, and witnessing students adapt and thrive within it, has been a surreal and gratifying experience. "For me, the most rewarding aspect of teaching is the profound impact I have on lives."

Looking ahead, Bridget is excited about the future of the teaching profession.

"Technology is transforming the way we teach and learn, and there are many exciting developments on the horizon, such as personalised learning and virtual reality," she said.

"Additionally, there is a growing recognition of the importance of social-emotional learning and equity in education.

"This will hopefully lead to more inclusive and supportive learning environments for all students – my huge passion."

Bridget is an enthusiastic educator, inspiring minds and shaping futures. Through her unwavering commitment and belief in the power of education, she sets the stage for a bright future for her students and the teaching profession as a whole.

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