We are looking forward to a busy and exciting year in Year Three and Four!

A key focus this term is on getting to know each other and settling into classroom routines. We have been discussing the importance of creating an environment where your child feels safe, respected, nurtured and extended in their learning.

**What we are learning in Term 1**

**Literacy:** Recounts, narrative and persuasive text types, grammar, spelling and comprehension strategies.

**Mathematics:** Place value, number operations, time, length and mass.

**Religious Education:** In God and Revelation, students will research the ways that God is revealed in human experience and they will focus on the life and work of Jesus.

**Science:** In our unit, ‘Night and Day’, students will investigate how the movement of the earth creates change. They will compare Earth on a scale to the sun and moon.

**History:** Students will explore the traditional way of life of Indigenous Australians. They will also be focusing on specific days of celebration, such as Harmony Day.

**Homework**

Home Learning is a wonderful opportunity for you to work alongside your child and see what they are learning in class. This term, students will receive a double-side homework sheet that contains Literacy and Numeracy activities. These will be distributed on Monday and are due in class on Friday.

Students are expected and encouraged to read every night, **at home for 15 minutes**. These readers will be leveled texts, so that we can monitor each student’s progress in their reading skills. **We ask that your child brings their reader to school each morning** to be shown and shared with their classroom teacher.

Children will also be required to study a small group of spelling words and times tables each week.

**Reminders**

- Hats
- Fruit for fruit break
- Water bottle
- Library bag and readers

Students are asked to bring the following to school each day:

**Don’t FORGET!**

- Library bag and readers

**Weekly Schedule**

**Room 14**
- Indonesian – Tuesday
- Sport – Tuesday and Friday
- Music – Tuesday
- ICT – Friday
- Library - Thursday

**Room 15**
- Indonesian – Tuesday
- Sport – Wednesday and Friday
- Music – Tuesday
- ICT – Friday
- Library - Thursday

**Room 17**
- Library – Monday
- Indonesian – Tuesday
- Sport – Tuesday and Friday
- Music – Thursday
- ICT – Friday

**Upcoming Dates for Term 1**

**Parent Information Night**
Tuesday, February 10th, 4pm – 6.30pm

**Whole school Opening Mass** – Friday, February 13th at 8.30am

**Family Welcome Picnic at Casuarina Pool** - Friday, February 13th, 5.30-7pm

**Life Education Van**
February 16th-20th

**Ash Wednesday**
Wednesday, February 18th

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** – Thursday, March 26th

**Harmony Day Dinner**
Friday, March 20th at 5.30pm

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