Wishing all of our new and returning families a warm welcome to the Holy Spirit school community!

Term 1 is a very exciting time in the school year as children are beginning to develop their understanding of school routines and expectations.

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What we are learning about this term!

**English:** In Transition, we are learning our sounds and alphabet. We are also learning how to read by blending sounds and learning sight words. Oral retelling, listening and speaking skills and writing development will also be taught. Year 1’s and 2’s will revise and extend on blending a variety of sounds, as well as learning grammar and punctuation skills. We will be focussing on Recount and Narrative texts.

**Maths:** Transition students will be focusing on numbers and Year 1’s and 2’s will extend on their knowledge of number concepts and place value from last year.

**Religion:** We are learning about our School, Church and our Families. We will begin to learn the importance of prayer in our school and daily life, as well as building our Catholic Identity. Children will also learn about the rituals and practises of the Lent and Easter season.

**Science:** We are learning about our natural environment and how things grow.

**History:** We are learning about who we are and where we come from.

**Visual Arts:** We are learning how to create pieces of artwork using many different materials.

**ICT:** We will be learning basic computer skills, focussing on computer hardware and software programs such as Microsoft Word.

*We will also be learning Health & Physical Education, Indonesian and Performing Arts.*

Don't forget...Dates to remember!

**Family Welcoming Picnic:** Friday, February 5th, 5:30-7:00, Casuarina Pool

**Parent Information Night:** Tuesday, February 9th, 4:00-6:30pm

**Ash Wednesday:** February 10th

**Whole School Opening Mass:** Friday, February 12th

**Parent Teacher Goal Setting:** Tuesday 23rd & Wednesday 24th February

**Harmony Day Dinner:** Friday, March 18th

**Items to bring in**
Each child is requested to bring in the following:
- Box of Tissues
- Art smock
- Library bag
- Water bottle

**Days to remember**

**Physical Education**
Miss Kelsey/Mrs Emma: Wednesday
Mrs Tracey/Mrs Mimi: Tuesday

**Library**
Miss Kelsey: Thursday
Mrs Emma: Thursday
Mrs Tracey: Tuesday
Mrs Mimi: Thursday