Welcome back to a brand new year! We especially welcome both Miss Fiona Coughlan and those children and families who are new to Holy Spirit.

**What we are learning in Term One**

**Literacy:** During Term 1, students will focus on Recounts, Narratives and Persuasive writing. We will also cover grammar concepts, spelling, reading and comprehension strategies.

**Mathematics:** Students will be exploring place value, number, time and measurement this term. We will also be revising and consolidating numerous concepts taught throughout the previous year.

**Religious Education:** In Term 1, Students will be learning about the church and its role in the community. We will also study and celebrate the season of Lent and Easter.

**Science:** The *Night and Day* unit provides opportunities for students to explore the relationships between the Sun, Earth and Moon.

**History:** During Term 1, the students will be investigating various topics relating to traditional Aboriginal culture.

**Health:** Students will be exploring concepts relating to food and nutrition.

**Art:** Students will be experimenting with various art materials and processes to create a number of visual artwork pieces relating to topics covered in class.

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**Weekly Schedule**

**Room 10**
- Indonesian - Wednesday
- Sport – Wednesday and Friday
- Music – Thursday
- Library – Tuesday

**Room 12**
- Indonesian - Tuesday
- Sport – Wednesday and Friday
- Music – Wednesday
- Library - Thursday

**Room 13**
- Indonesian – Wednesday
- Sport – Tuesday and Friday
- Music – Wednesday
- Library - Friday

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**Homework**

Homework will start in Week 3. It will be issued on Mondays and folders are due back for marking each Friday.

Students are expected and encouraged to complete the following:

- **Read for at least 15 minutes per night.** Readers/leveled texts must be changed upon completion.

- **Weekly Spelling words** – Simple spelling activities will be suggested to help children learn their weekly words (e.g. look, say, cover, write, check)

- **Spelling/Grammar task sheet** that relates to their weekly spelling sound and words along with a grammar focus.

- **Maths Mate worksheet**, to develop understanding of concepts being taught in Mathematics throughout the year.

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**Upcoming Dates for Term 1**

- Parent Information Night
- Family night at Casuarina Pool
- Whole School Opening Mass
- Life Education Van
- Parent- Teacher Goal Setting
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy
- Reward Afternoon
- Dance Nation
- Harmony Day Dinner
- Reconciliation Ceremony
- Holy Week Presentation
- Reward Afternoon

- 7th February
- 10th February
- 10th February
- 20th – 24th February
- 27th / 28th February
- 1st March
- 3rd March
- 20th – 24th March
- 24th March
- 30th March
- 7th April
- 7th April

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