

TERM 1 WRAP

First term has been a unique learning experience for all members of the Holy Spirit College community. The ongoing impacts associated with COVID-19 have resulted in an adaptation in the way students undertake tasks, both inside and outside of the classroom. The new year saw changes in the way the College community gathered; ZOOM assemblies become the dominant form of connection for all students to gather. The uncertainty which shrouds COVID-19 and the constantly changing rules and regulations has left students on edge about what events can and cannot proceed. Their patience and understanding during these times of uncertainty has helped to demonstrate the strength of the school spirit and the combined determination and agility of the community.

Fueled by the enthusiasm of the College community and the determination of all members, school spirit has provided a wonderful foundation during Term One. The term commenced with the welcoming of Year 7 students into the College community. To support their transition, 60 dedicated and welcoming students from the Year 10 cohort offered their time to assist with the peer support program. Their suite of knowledge and personal experiences contributed to making the transition as stress free and smooth as possible.

Community events continued to breathe life into the College community with the swimming carnival giving competitive and non-competitive swimmers alike the opportunity to show their school colours and have some fun at the same time. In week 10 we held our cross country.

The College also used the school spirit to raise awareness regarding different aspects of our lives. Mufti-shoe day highlighted the importance of "taking a stand" against bullying whilst the festive filled celebrations of harmony week, topped with fairy floss and music, illustrated the importance of connection to each other.

It has been a privilege to be a part of the College community this term. The encouragement which we students have received from those around us has been greatly appreciated and has helped us to feel welcomed and accepted into the College environment.

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