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### K-6 M/R Term 4 Curriculum Overview

Our boys in K-6MR have shown incredible growth this term, particularly in writing. We are also super excited to welcome our new friend Madison into our little community. The boys are being very caring and showing kindness as she settles into PNPS.

#### **Term 4 will see a learning focus as detailed below;**

In English students will focus on speaking using short phrases and simple sentences with connectives such as 'then', 'and' and 'but' to expand on their ideas. The older students will be focusing on taking turns during a conversation and asking relevant questions for clarification. They will continue to explore new and familiar sounds when reading, and practice blending these together to read decodable and natural texts. They will learn to decode words with more complex letter/sound patterns such as gn in gnome and mn in column. Students will also strengthen their ability to comprehend what they are reading by being able to recount and describe the most relevant details from a text. Our writing focus will be **informative**. The purpose of this text type is to tell an imaginative story. Students will engage with the writing process to plan, compose, revise, edit and publish narratives using engaging picture books as a mentor text (stimulus for ideas).

In Mathematics the younger students will be exploring number patterns and connecting counting and numerals to quantities. They will investigate 'groups' by distributing familiar objects into smaller groups and recognising whether the number in each group is equal or not. Students will explore measurement using real life experiences and hands-on activities to better understand length, area, volume and mass. They will learn to tell the time on the hour using analog and digital clocks. The older students will use more advanced counting strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems and represent and explain multiplication as the combining of equal groups. They will strengthen their understanding of measurement by investigating length, volume, mass and area. Students will explore 2 dimensional shapes and 3 dimensional objects and classify and sort them in different ways.

During Science students will study the unit Earth and Space and explore how daily and seasonal changes in the environment affect humans and other living things. They will observe changes occurring in the sky and on land. Students will also investigate how instructions are used to control digital devices during Digital Technologies. They will identify the components of digital systems and explore how data is represented. Students will also be visiting Wollongong Science Centre to further explore all things Science! They will discuss places that are important to them during Geography and learn about different places, what makes them special and how we can help look after them. During PDHPE, students will explore their personal strengths and qualities and identify how people grow and change. They will learn about the safe storage of medicines and how to contact emergency services if there is an accident at home. Students will also explore ways to develop resilience and be happy through our You Can Do It program. Creative and Performing Arts lessons will provide opportunities for students to create artworks and engage in music and dance.

#### **Term 4 events:**

Week 2 - World Teachers Day

Week 2/3 - Healthy Harold, Life Education Van

Week 3 - Grandparents Day

Week 5 - Remembrance Day

Week 7 - PNPS Art Show

Week 7 - Excursion - Science Centre (sharing a bus with Kindergarten)

Week 8 - Presentation Day

Week 9 - Carols Night

Week 10 - Wow Factor