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Stage 2 Term 4 Curriculum Overview

In Term 4, students will participate in Reciprocal Reading activities during reading groups. Students will consolidate their use of reading comprehension strategies learnt this year while taking on the role of Predictor, Clarifier, Questioner, and Summariser. In Writing, students will compose imaginative texts. They will develop their understanding of literary devices such as similes, alliteration, hyperboles and more. They will learn to develop interesting characters and to describe the setting in imaginative texts to entertain and engage their audience.

In Mathematics, Year 3 students will reinforce their addition and subtraction strategies learnt throughout the year while working with money. They will use arrays for multiplication and division and measure volume in square centimetres. Students will collect data to construct column graphs and dot plots, and record all possible outcomes in a chance experiment where the outcomes are equally likely. They will model fractions on a number line and fraction strip. Students will compare angles and identify parallel sides in two-dimensional shapes. They will tell the time to the minute on analog clocks using the terms "past" and "to".

In Year 4 Mathematics, students will use a variety of strategies, including algorithms, to add and subtract three digit numbers. They will make connections between fractions and decimal notation and place these on a number line. Students will use known facts and strategies to multiply and divide and use the area model for multiplication. They will conduct surveys and use the data gathered to create column graphs with units on vertical axes that are in multiples. Students will determine possible outcomes of chance experiments using the terms equally likely, likely and unlikely. They will describe angles as acute, right, obtuse, straight, reflex or a revolution.

In Science, Stage 2 will study the unit 'How the Earth's Surface Changes Over Time'. Students will investigate how natural processes and human actions change the Earth's surface. Our learning will include an excursion to the Royal National Park in Week 6. Students will observe evidence of weathering and erosion with a backdrop of stunning coastal views and cliffs. They will participate in hands-on activities at Wattamolla and along a bushwalk on the loop track around Providential Headland and a walk to clifftops looking south over Curracurrang.

In Geography, students will learn about the natural and human built features of Australia and the diverse characteristics of Australia's neighbouring countries. In PDHPE, students will continue to study the unit 'My Right to be Safe' in child protection. They will participate in drug education lessons, learning the definition of a drug and how legal drugs, including medicines, affect the body. Students will participate in music, drama, dance, and creative arts lessons throughout the semester.

Term 4 events:

- Healthy Harold Life Education Van - Week 1 and 2
- Remembrance Day - 11th November
- Bankstown Dance Festival - 12th November
- SRC Art Incursion - 14th November
- Excursion - Royal National Park - 19th November
- SRC Art Incursion - 25th and 26th November
- Art Show - 26th November
- Presentation Day - 5th December
- Carols night - 12th December
- Rewards Day - Week 10