

## PADSTOW NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## **Support Class Term 3 Overview**

Our boys in K-6MR continue to amaze us with their persistence to learning and social development.

Term 3 will see a learning focus as detailed below;

In English we will focus on speaking in full sentences using correct word order and listening attentively to be able to recall information. Our older boys will be learning to extend and elaborate on ideas during class discussions whilst remaining on topic. During reading, we will explore new and familiar sounds and practice blending these together to read text at a flowing pace whilst pausing to attend to punctuation. Students will strengthen their ability to comprehend what they are reading by being able to answer questions related to the text and summarising the main ideas. Our writing focus will be *persuasive*. The purpose of this is to state an opinion or express a point of view. Students will write simple, compound and complex sentences with full stops and capital letters and learn how to incorporate new vocabulary into their writing. They will research, plan, compose, revise, edit and publish a variety of texts to persuade an audience.

In Mathematics the younger students will be counting forwards to 30 and backwards from 20 and identifying numbers before and after. They will combine and separate groups to model addition and subtraction. Students will investigate and form equal groups by sharing objects and recognising whether the number in each group is equal or not. The older students will explore angles, with a focus on right angles and will tell the time to the minute on analog clocks. They will continue to explore mental multiplication and division strategies when multiplying single digits. Students will identify the properties of two-dimensional shapes, including symmetry and transformations (reflect, rotate, translate). They will measure length in millimetres and compare the mass of objects to 1 kilogram.

In Science, students will observe the way objects move and relate changes in motion to push and pull forces. They will be able to describe the characteristics and effects of common forms of energy, such as light and heat. During Geography, students will investigate the natural and human features of different places. They will learn about the reasons places change and identify the active role of citizens in caring for these places. In PDHPE, students explore their 'right to feel safe' through departmental child protection units. Through our You Can Do It program, they will learn about appropriate ways to communicate their feelings and practise their social skills to interact positively with others. Creative and Performing Arts lessons will provide opportunities for students to create artwork and learn a musical sequence using bucket drums.

## Term 3 events:

- Week 3 Education Week
- Week 4 Athletics Carnival
- Week 5 Book Week Parade
- Week 8 Values Day