

Wahroonga Public School

Areas of Focus ~ Term 3, 2020 Year 6

This 'Areas of Focus' document outlines the main learning outcomes and content that will be addressed in Year 6 in Term 3. While all classes will be working towards similar outcomes, small variations in teacher delivery or sequencing of content may occur. Nevertheless, it is hoped that by providing you with this outline, you will be well-informed about the happenings inside our classrooms and you may be better able to connect with your child's learning at home. This overview is a guide only and may be subject to change.

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ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS
 Visual Literacy Unit based on picture books including 'Circle' by Jeannie Baker and texts from Asian countries Topic picture books will address grammar, textual concepts and comprehension outcomes Class novels: intercultural perspectives Interpret information from a wide range of sources including primary sources (observations, field sketches, surveys and interviews) and secondary sources (maps, graphical representations, reports, census data and the media). Spelling Use banks of known words, word origins, base words, suffixes and prefixes, morphemes, spelling patterns and generalisations to learn and spell new words, for example technical words and words adopted from other languages. Writing Explore and analyse the effectiveness of informative, imaginative and persuasive devices Compose print, visual, multimodal and digital texts, experimenting with language, design, layout and graphics. Grammar Punctuation: apostrophes, commas, colons Language: phrases and clauses Editing skills. Speaking & Listening Contribute to discussions to form opinions and develop arguments including point of view, style and authority Group presentations. 	 Number & Algebra Multiplication: extended multiplication and by tens Fractions: equivalence, addition and subtraction of mixed numerals, multiplication and division Whole numbers: including negative integers Subtraction Division: by 10s, averages and decimal remainders Geometric patterns and rules Percentage discounts. Measurement & Geometry Mass: tonnes and metric conversions Reflections, translations & rotations Sector graphs Two-way tables Elapsed time/timetables Angles: adjacent Length: perimeter 3D Position: coordinates. Statistics & Probability Data representations and misleading data Chance: tree diagrams.
SCIENCE	Geography
Earth and Space Students will explore Earth's position and features and compare it to other planets in our solar system. They will investigate the role of light energy in how we observe the Sun, Moon and planets, and examine and discuss current developments in astronomy, space and planetary science, particularly related to making observations and gathering data. They will research and communicate how Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples use observations of the night sky to inform decisions about resources and significant cultural events.	A Diverse and Connected World Students will explore countries of the Asia region and the connections Australia has with other countries across the world. They will learn about the diversity of the world's people, including the indigenous peoples of other countries and will explore and reflect upon similarities, differences and the importance of intercultural understanding. Students will describe the diverse features and characteristics of places and environments and explain interactions and connections between people, places and environments.

ICT (taught by Mr Tomlins)	PD/H/PE
Digital Technologies Students will learn to edit digital video using tools such as Adobe Premiere Elements, to compose creative and well-designed video, including some special effects. Linked to science content, students will communicate ideas, and explanations about Earth, space and other planets. Students will consider how components of digital systems interact with each other to transmit data. Students will collect, store and interpret different types of data, for example, using sensors to collect data and using software to interpret and visualise data.	The Safe Living unit focuses on students developing the knowledge, understanding and skills that enhance personal strengths and explore personal identity to promote the health, safety and wellbeing of themselves and others. They will access and interpret health information and apply skills to seek help to enhance their own and others' health, safety and wellbeing. Students will develop interpersonal skills to interact respectfully with others to promote inclusion and build connections. Through a specialised gymnastics program students will develop fundamental and specialised movement skills and concepts such as non-locomotor skills, stability and body control. In Stage sport students will participate in athletics, skipping and ball game rotations to develop health and fitness including monitoring physical activity levels, locomotor skills and object control.
CREATIVE ARTS	LIBRARY (taught by Mrs Gilchrist)
 Music (taught by Mrs Piper) Students will complete their studies of Vivaldi's <i>Four Seasons</i>, including a song writing experience in small groups. They will then study chords and chord progressions, improvising on instruments. This will form a knowledge and skill base for a song-writing unit in Term 4. Students will discover this year's <i>Music Count Us In</i> song: how it was created and recorded. They will begin to learn to sing this year's song. Visual arts lessons will be class based with a focus on Asian techniques and experimenting with traditional artforms. For example: PNG prints, NZ tattoo designs, East Timor tais. 	Year 6 will have the opportunity to borrow library books on Mondays. Library lessons will focus on quality literature including children's classics as well as identified quality texts for senior primary students. The students are also contributing to lessons with reviews of texts they have read and recommend to their peers. Raising awareness of the many topics available in non-fiction is a weekly component of the Llibrary lesson. The novel being read to students is "Cool" by Michael Morpurgo.
CALENDAR	

For information about important dates and events in Term 3, please see the calendar linked here.