



# Ascot Vale Primary School

No: 2608

## AVPS Curriculum News

Year Level: P/1/2 Term 3, 2019

### Literacy Focus:

#### Reading:

- compare and contrast; texts, characters, authors
- finding the main idea in a text

#### Writing:

- narrative writing
- transactional texts; letter writing
- persuasive writing

#### Speaking & Listening:

- Student led conferences
- Reader of the Day
- Show and Tell; class presentations

### Numeracy Focus:

#### Number:

- Place Value
- Multiplication and Division

#### Measurement & Geometry:

- Time
- Volume & Capacity

## Science Focus: Earth Science

Topic: **Observing the changes in our sky**

Essential Question/s:

- How does the sky change over short and long timescales?

Learning Features:

- The reason for and effect of day and night
- Observing the features of the sky and how and why they change over time (Sun, Moon, Stars, Planets, clouds etc)
- How the weather and seasons affect human behaviour, activities and clothing
- How the weather and seasons affect animal behaviour, including household pets, as well as wild animal migration and hibernation

## Integrated Curriculum Focus: History

Topic: Community

Essential Question: What remains of the past are important to our local community? Why?

Learning Features:

- Identify examples of continuity and change in family life and in the local area by comparing past and present
- The history of a significant person, building, site or part of the natural environment in the local community and what it reveals about the past
- Identify the significance of a person and/or place in the local community

## Excursions:

- Science Works - Tyco Goes to the Moon (September 9th)
  - We are learning about night and day, space travel, the phases of the Moon and features of the lunar surface. We will look closer at the Sun, watch the effects of gravity, see the Earth from space and watch meteors shoot across the night sky.
- Community Walk (TBC)

## Specialist Focus:

### ART:

Students will be focusing on art activities based on the shortlisted books in the Children's Book Council of Australia 'Book Week' awards. We will look at the works of illustrators, the subject matter of the books and particular skills, techniques and processes of the art work.

### JAPANESE:

Students will be learning about school stationery in Japanese. They will be learning about how to ask, give and receive school stationery items (e.g: May I please have a pencil? *enpitsu wo kashite kudasai*). Students will also learn about aspects of Japanese school life and compare to that of their own.

### PE:

The main focuses in PE this term are:

- Basic fundamentals skills
- First Aid
- Basketball
- Gymnastics

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