

## Middle School Term 4 Overview 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Below is an overview of the content your child will be covering in Term 4 2018. Please be aware that the numbered weeks are approximate, as sometimes our assessments tell us that students might need more time to establish their understanding of a concept, or less time if they already understand a concept.

**POWER STANDARDS** refer to the non-negotiable learning outcomes that you can expect your child to work towards throughout a unit of work.

Please contact your child's classroom teacher should you have any questions relating to this information.

<b>Integrated Unit</b>	<b>Behind the scenes</b>
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Numeracy		
Week	Topic	Power Standards
1-4	Measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Measure, order and compare objects using familiar metric units of length, area, mass, volume and capacity.</li> <li>• Use thermometers to measure and compare temperatures</li> <li>• Compare the areas of regular and irregular shapes by informal means</li> </ul>
5-7	Shape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe 3D objects in terms of key features: faces, edges, vertices, prisms and pyramids</li> <li>• Explain and demonstrate multistep translations, reflections and rotations of shapes and objects</li> <li>• Create symmetrical patterns, pictures and shapes.</li> <li>• Understand symmetry and identify symmetrical objects.</li> <li>• Compare angles and classify them as equal to, greater than, or less than a right angle</li> <li>• Identify angles as measures of turn and compare angle sized in everyday situations.</li> </ul>
8-10	Money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Represent money values in multiple ways and count the change required for simple transactions to the nearest five cents.</li> <li>• Solve money problems involving the calculation of change to the nearest 5 cents with/out technology.</li> </ul>

Reading	
Week	Power Standards
1	Finding Main Idea Explore how authors make stories exciting and draw the reader in.
2	Author's Purpose

	Describe the setting and time when events took place, using past tense.
3	Recalling fact & details Self - monitoring and self - correcting for meaning
4	Comparing & contrasting Searching and using meaning
5	Understanding sequence Analysing tests
6	Making predictions within the text Making connections - Text to World
7	Recognising cause and effect Predicting
8	Interpreting Figurative language Critiquing
9	Finding word meaning in context Making connections (textual)

## Writing

Week	Genre	Power Standards
1-5	Narrative	<p><u>Year 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include language features such as alliteration, simile, onomatopoeia or dialogue.</li> <li>• Include specific verbs, adverbs and adjectives to paint a picture in the reader's mind.</li> <li>• Write an ending that can show how the character has changed.</li> <li>• Resolve the problem so that things are back to normal.</li> <li>• Introduce a situation that causes a problem for a character.</li> <li>• Describe the setting.</li> </ul> <p><u>Year 4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include language features such as alliteration, simile, onomatopoeia, hyperbole or idioms.</li> <li>• Include some dialogue - both direct and indirect speech.</li> <li>• Include specific verbs, adverbs and adjectives to paint a picture in the reader's mind.</li> <li>• Write an ending that shows how a character changed and what they learned.</li> <li>• Resolve a problem so things are back to normal even though changes have occurred.</li> <li>• Introduce a problem for one or more characters.</li> <li>• Describe the setting and time when events took place, using past tense.</li> </ul>
6-10	Procedural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heading or title indicates the goals.</li> <li>• List materials needed to conduct the procedure.</li> <li>• Write the steps in the order they are to be completed.</li> <li>• Each step starts on a new line.</li> <li>• Some visual information included to clarify instructions.</li> </ul>