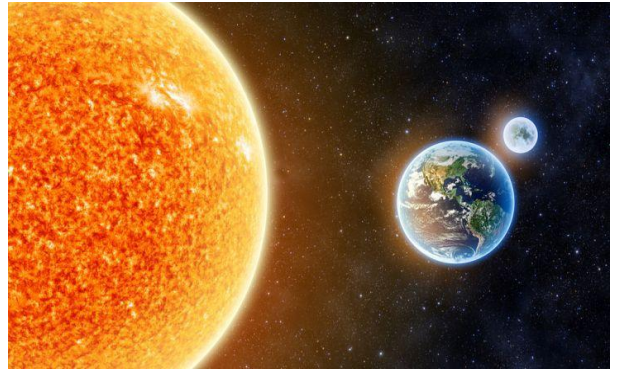




## 3M Newsletter - Term 4, 2020

Welcome to Term 4! We hope that all our students and families had a relaxing break and are ready for the next exciting 10 weeks of school.

This term we will be learning all about 'Our Place in Space' – with a strong focus on Science. Students will learn about what causes night, day, seasons and tides and explore how planet Earth rotates and orbits. We will also be studying shadows and non-contact forces with lots of experiments to enhance our scientific understandings.



Semester 2 Reports will be distributed at the end of this term. We look forward to sharing your child's successes and accomplishments with you! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

Warm regards,  
Mrs Melissa Moyle-Ross

### Curriculum 'Snapshot' of Term 4

#### Our Place in Space Integrated Unit:

**Science** – describing how the relationships between the sun and the Earth cause regular changes on Earth and investigating how objects can affect other objects without touching them.

#### English:

**Reading** – Consolidating understanding of comprehension strategies and applying these to understand a variety of scientific and factual texts relating to 'Our Place in Space'

**Writing** – Descriptive, informative, imaginative and procedural texts



**Speaking and Listening** – Students will need to apply their communication skills in a variety of ways to present their scientific explorations and discoveries to the class throughout the term.

#### Mathematics:

- Whole Number – Recognise, model, represent and order numbers to at least tens of thousands
- Addition and Subtraction – solve problems involving purchases and the calculation of change required to the nearest 5 cents
- Chance – Describe possible everyday events and order their chances of occurring
- Multiplication and Division – Use mental strategies to divide a two-digit number by a one-digit number where there is no remainder
- Position – Use simple scales, legends and directions to interpret information contained in basic maps
- Patterns and Algebra – Solve word problems by using number sentences involving multiplication and division where there is no remainder





<p><b>Important Dates</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>School Photographs:</b> Tuesday, 20 October</li> <li>● <b>Book Fair:</b> 9-13 November</li> <li>● <b>Book Character Parade:</b> Monday, 16 November</li> <li>● <b>Step Up Days:</b> Tuesdays 24 November and 1st December</li> <li>● <b>Presentation Day:</b> Tuesday, 8 December</li> <li>● <b>Term 4 Gold Day Pool Party Alstonville Pool:</b> Tuesday, 15 December</li> <li>● <b>Last day for 2020:</b> Wednesday, 16 December</li> </ul>
<p><b>Attendance &amp; Punctuality</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Supervision for students begins at <b>8:30am</b>.</li> <li>● <b>Please ensure your child arrives at school between 8:30 and 9:00am every morning.</b></li> <li>● Parents are reminded that children must come to school every day unless they are ill, have medical appointments or there are exceptional family circumstances.</li> <li>● If children are absent from school, parents are required to provide the school with an acceptable explanation within <b>seven days</b> of the absence.</li> <li>● Explanations can be submitted via a written note, email to the teacher or through the SkoolBag Mobile App (search Wyrallah Road Public School in the App Store)</li> </ul>
<p><b>School Fees</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● This is a reminder that school fees can still be paid through our online payment portal. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.</li> <li>● Log onto our school site at:- <a href="http://www.wyrallahrd-p.schools.nsw.edu.au">www.wyrallahrd-p.schools.nsw.edu.au</a></li> <li>● Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard. You can find more information about online payments on our website.</li> <li>● Although voluntary, school fees are a vital part of our budget each year and pay for essential items in classrooms. At WRPS our voluntary fees are \$55 per student, \$100 for two children or \$130 for a family of 3 or more children.</li> <li>● If paying online does not suit, you can also pay in person at the front office (EFTPOS or cash) or write a cheque made out to Wyrallah Road Public School.</li> <li>● Thank you to the parents that have already paid these fees, your contribution is appreciated.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Weekly Organisation</b></p>	<p><b>Stage Assemblies</b> – Fridays  <b>Fitness</b> – Tuesday  <b>Sport</b> – Thursday  <b>Tech Time</b> – Friday  <b>Music</b> – Friday  <b>Library</b> – Monday Even Weeks  <b>Homework</b> – Handout out Monday and due the following Monday. 3M will be trialling a new homework layout via Google Classroom. Printed copies will be available to students who do not have easy access to the internet.</p>
<p><b>Useful Links</b></p>	<p><b>Soundwaves</b> - <a href="https://online.fireflyeducation.com.au/services/student_login">https://online.fireflyeducation.com.au/services/student_login</a>  Year 3 Access code: wink518  Year 4 Access code: send121  <b>Mathletics Australia</b> - <a href="https://www.mathletics.com/au/">https://www.mathletics.com/au/</a>  Please contact your classroom teacher if your child does not know their username and password.  <b>Student Email Inbox &amp; Google Classroom</b> - Go to your Student Portal to access <a href="https://portal.det.nsw.edu.au/">https://portal.det.nsw.edu.au/</a></p>

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