MPRPS Science - Earth Science Term Two 2024 Statement of Intent

To provide a safe, innovative and engaging setting which inspires students to achieve personal growth and feel empowered to make a positive impact in the world around them.					
Opportunities for Innovation	Agency (empowered)	Community connections			

	Foundation	1/2	3/4	5/6
Term Focus:	Weather in My World	Earth's Resources	Earth's Rotation	Our Solar System
Victorian Curriculum	Observable changes occur in the sky and landscape; daily and seasonal changes affect everyday life (VCSSU046)	Earth's resources are used in a variety of ways (VCSSU047)	Earth's rotation on its axis causes regular changes, including night and day (VCSSU061)	Earth is part of a system of planets orbiting around a star (the Sun) (VCSSU078)
Focus Questions	How can we describe the weather and seasons? How does the weather impact human behaviour? What happens when we change from day to night? What are the indigenous seasons?	 What are some of Earth's precious resources? How are natural resources sourced and used? How is water made safe to drink and use? How do we use natural resources at home and school? How can we protect and save earth's resources? What are some sustainable actions we can take at home and school? 	What is the link between the sun, earth and the moon? What happens when the earth rotates? What is the difference between night and day? What is the timescale for the rotations of the earth?	What are the features of our Solar System?What are the distances between the Sun and our galaxy's planets?How have humans been able to achieve space exploration?What inventions have been created to assist in our space discoveries?
Week One 15/04 18/04: 5/6 Summer Sports Day	Seasons: Summer	Introduction: Earth's Resources	Day vs Night	Earth and our Moon
Week Two 22/04 24/04 ANZAC Day Service	Season: Autumn	The Water Cycle	The Sun and Exploring Shadows	Earth and our Sun
Week Three 29/04 1/05 School	Season: Winter	Clean Drinking Water	Describing timescale for the rotation of the earth	The Planets of our Solar System

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Week Four 06/05 08-10/05 Mothers Day Stall (AM)	Season: Spring	Planting in Soil vs Sand	Assessment: PAT Testing	Assessment: PAT Testing
Week Five 13/05 Education Week 13/05: Open Afternoon 14/05 Foundation Grandparents Day	Assessment: 4 Seasons	Minerals	Sun, Earth and Moon- Modelling Relative sizes	Space Exploration: History, Achievements and The Future
Week Six 20/05 District Cross Country	Weather Symbols	Earth's Energy Sources	Phases of the Moon & Lunar and Solar Eclipses	Inventions created for Space Exploration
Week Seven 27/05 Reconciliation Week	Indigenous Seasons	Renewable Energy: Sun and Wind	Indigenous Astronomy	Student Led Investigations: Planning and Questions
Week Eight 03/06	Human Behaviour Changes in Weather	Indigenous Connections (natural resources as medicines)	Exploring the Galaxy (Galaxy Slime)	Student Led Investigations: Researching and Recording
Week Nine 10/06 10/6 King's Birthday 11/6 Curriculum Day		Indigenous Connections (further uses of natural resources)		Student Led Investigations: Recording and Editing
Week Ten 17/06 Planning Week	Wind and Weather Events	Rotations	Space Travel	Student Led Investigations: Editing and Uploading
Week Eleven 24/06	Day and Night	Rotations	Astronaut Food Investigation	Investigation Presentations