



MALUMBE CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER TERM 2 2021

Dear Parents,

Happy new year! I hope you had an enjoyable holiday time and your children are feeling refreshed ready for an exciting new term in Malumbe class.

OUR TOPICS

Our topics this term will be the Extreme Earth for the first half term and Aztecs and Mayans in the second half term. We will be exploring this topic through the following aspects of learning:

Our class text will be –Escape from Pompei by Christina Balit and the Firework-Maker’s Daughter by Philip Pullman.

In Literacy – We will be developing summarising skills and furthering work on inference through reading the class texts. In writing, we will look at newspaper reports, persuasive writing and do further narrative writing.

In Mathematics –We will continue to do regular practise with number operations and mental maths skills with a focus on multiplication, division and working with decimals. We will look at fractions, decimals and percentages including converting between the different representations and calculating with fractions.

In Science – We will study the theory of evolution and in also the properties and uses of different materials.

In Geography – We will work on map skills looking at physical features such as volcanos. We will study natural disasters such as earthquakes, tsunamis and landslides and consider the effect these have on the planet and how humans adapt and deal with these events.

ICT –. ICT will be taught through other subjects rather than as a discreet subject to ensure that safety considerations regarding Covid 19 can be adhered to.

In History – We will learn about the Aztec and Mayan civilisations

In RE – Children will learn about Judaism.

In Music – We will listen to music from around the world and consider how different instruments can be used to create different feelings and effects.

In PE – Children will develop their skills in hockey and swimming.

In Art – We will create artworks using watercolours and line drawing based on the painting The Great Wave by Hokusai. We will create 3D masks using a range of materials and a layering technique in the style of Aztec masks.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be set through Google Classrooms with paper copies stuck into homework books when possible. Work should be submitted for marking through Google Classrooms.

It would also be highly beneficial if you take the time to read with your children every day for at least 20 minutes as this will improve not only improve their reading but also their writing skills.

PE

Make sure that your children have their **swimming kits in school on Monday and Thursday** and they bring their **PE kits on Tuesdays**. They can come to school in sports kit on a Tuesday and bring their uniform to change into afterwards.

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Malumbe Timetable

Term 2 2020/21

Sir Harry Johnston International School

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 – 9.45	Maths	7.30 – 8.30 PE	Spelling/handwriting	Spelling/handwriting	Spelling/handwriting
	English		Maths	English	Maths
	Spelling test	English	English	Maths	English
		Mental maths			
9:45 – 10.15	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10.15 – 12.15	10.15 – 11.00 Swimming	Maths	Topic	10.15 – 11.00 Swimming	Science
	Topic	French	PSHCE	RE	Reading
			Music	Mental maths	
12.15 – 13.00	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	11.45 End of School day
13.00 – 14.00	Mental maths	Class meeting	Mental maths	Art	
	Reading	Reading	Reading		