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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so excited to start this new term and we hope our students had a very good break. This term our year 9 students have started by sitting their checkpoint examinations and we are looking forward to having very good grades as we wait for the results to come out. They will have a week break where they will go to Mangochi for their residential and when they come back, we will go straight into the IGCSE syllabus. The following information shows the topics in different subjects that will be covered this term:

Year 9

English: We will be focusing on active Reading, Reading Comprehensions and Summary Questions.

English Literature: Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth (alternating program of study)

Mathematics: We are focusing on Number and language, Accuracy, Calculations and order, Integers, fractions, decimals and percentages, further percentages, Ratio and proportion, Indices and standard form, Money and finance, Time.

Biology: We will focus Characteristics and classifications of living organisms, Organization and maintenance of the organism, Movement in and out of cells, Biological molecules and Enzymes.

Chemistry: We will learn the particulate nature of matter, Elements, compounds and experimental techniques and atomic structure and bonding.

Physics: We are focusing on Measurement and motion, Forces and momentum, Energy, work, power and pressure.

ICT: We will be looking at types and components of a computer system, Input and output devices, Storage devices and media, File management, Images Proofing

History: We will be learning about The Inter-War Years 1919-39: Were the peace treaties of 1919-23 fair? To what extent was the League of Nations a success? Why had international peace collapsed by 1939.

Geography: Population and settlements: Population dynamics, Migration, Population structure, Population density and distribution, Settlements (rural and urban) and service provision, urban settlements and Urbanization.

Business Studies: Understanding business activity: Business activity, Classification of business, Enterprise, business growth and size, Types of business organization, Business objectives and stakeholder objectives.

French: We will be learning how to use French language in Everyday activities: Home life, School routine, Eating and drinking, Health and fitness.

Personal and social life: Self, family, pets, personal relationships, House and home, Articles, personal pronouns, present tense, prepositions, time, possessive and irregular adjectives (masculine, feminine), adverbs, comparatives, superlatives, quantifiers, object pronouns, imperative.

Music: Students will learn about pitch and rhythm using keyboards, have an introduction to the bass clef, write a melody and have further drumming skills.

Life Skills: Topics will include the media, Sex and Relationships, Smoking, drugs, alcohol and managing emotions

Physical Education: Students will be doing Physical Education and Swimming (in accordance with COVID-19 guidelines).

PE

They will need their PE kits on Tuesdays and Swimming kits on Fridays.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note that **the school starts every day promptly at 7:30am**. It is crucial to your child/ren's education to be at school on time. Remember the secondary school now finishes at 2:30pm (Monday to Thursday) and 11:45am on Fridays.

If you have any queries or concerns about your child's wellbeing or academic progress, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to speak to me.

Yours sincerely,
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Year 9 Form Tutor