



## Curriculum Newsletter: Dedza Class Term 2

10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear parents/carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to term two. We've got lots of exciting things planned, most of them around the theme of Space.

Here are the topics that we will be studying this term:

**English:** In English we will think about the quality of language expression as we look at adverbs, adjectives and conjunctions and how to use these in more complex sentence structures. We will also learn about Persuasive writing, studying adverts and written arguments. Following that we will create fictional stories on varied themes including space.

**Maths:** Maths foci are Multiplication and Division, followed by Length and Perimeter. We'll then look into fractions of numbers and objects and finally find out about Decimals. There will be lots of practical activities as well as new ways to calculate on paper.

**Topic:** The topic for the first half term is Space. We'll be finding out about the Space Race of the late 20<sup>th</sup> Century and the lives of astronauts. After Half Term, we will switch to a study of Tourism where we will complete studies of localities in Africa, Europe and another continent.

**Science:** Our theme in Science is Space. We'll find out about the Solar System and how planets and satellites orbit larger bodies. This will be followed by a look at the Digestive System, Teeth and food chains.

**ICT:** We will start to look at databases and using excel, then begin to work with MSLogo on programming.

**Art and Music:** Art skills are based on portraits, then after mid-term break we will work with some textile skills. Music skills are based on the theme of Space.

**RE:** We are looking at Judaism and thinking about the differences and similarities between it and other religions such as Christianity and Islam. This will involve a lot of group discussions and role play.

**DT:** This term our theme is resistant materials. We will make picture frames. After Half Term we will learn some sewing skills.

**PE** In PE we shall learn netball and tag rugby skills followed by batting and fielding skills leading to cricket. We shall continue swimming until Easter.

**Homework:** in line with the school policy, there will be some homework to complete. This will involve weekly spellings, research projects or a small science investigation, Maths and others. We would really appreciate it if you would take time to help your child, and talk to them about what they have been learning in school.

Please remember to be punctual so that we can start lessons on time. Every moment in class is precious!

We can't wait to continue building on the skills we have learnt last term.

**Dedza class weekly timetable**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7.30-7.45	REGISTER	SINGING ASSEMBLY	REGISTER	REGISTER	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY
7.45-8.00	ASSEMBLY	MENTAL MATHS	PE WITH DAN	MENTAL MATHS	
8.00-8.15				DANCE/DRAMA with Mrs K	
8.15-8.30	SPELLINGS	MUSIC with Mrs K	MATHS		ENGLISH
8.30-8.45					
8.45-9.00	MENTAL MATHS	ENGLISH	MATHS	ENGLISH	SPELLING QUIZ
9.00-9.15					ENGLISH
9.15-9.30	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	ENGLISH			
9.30-9.45					
9.45--10.15 BREAK TIME					
10.15-10.30	CHICHEWA with Uncle Ben	COMPUTER with Mr Donney	TOPIC	MATHS	PSHE
10.30-10.45					
10.45-11.00	MATHS	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	ENGLISH	SCIENCE	SWIMMING with Dan
11.00-11.15					
11.15-11.30	ENGLISH				HOME TIME
11.30-11.45					
11.45-12.00					
12.00-12.15					
12.15-13.00 LUNCH					
13.00-13.15	PSHE	MATHS	READING	DESIGN AND ART	
13.15-13.30					
13.30-13.45					
13.45-14.00					

Clubs are after school from 2.15-3pm.

Yours sincerely,



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