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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the third term of this academic year at Sir Harry's Zomba. It has been a great journey for us to reach this far and no doubt we will collaborating with each to ensure that our students' learning is enhanced.

The following information shows what topics will be covered this term:

**Year 8**

**English:** We will be focusing on persuasive essay writing, writing summaries, the story of the English language, and will continue discussing and analyzing a novel.

**Math:** This term students will be looking at enlargement and scale drawing, nets and surface area, probability and finally, revision.

**Science:** Our focus on chemistry will be the particle theory, elements and atoms; elements, compounds and mixtures; metals, non-metals; and chemistry in everyday life

**ICT:** This term students will be looking at images and graphics, video production and movie making.

**History:** This term students will be learning about the fascinating history of Zomba

**Geography:** In Geography students will be learning about population and change

**Religious Education:** Students will learn about how religions help a sense of right and wrong, and how religions mark rites of passage.

**French:** We will be building skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing. We will be looking locating places using metro lines, talking about what a person's journal with regard to the places s/he has visited, discussing what you would like to do, choosing and booking a youth hostel, learning how to give instructions, and talking about where you have been and what you have done.

**Art:** We will focus on architecture and design

**Music:** Students will have the opportunity to learn about guitars and look at some of the Malawian Guitarists.

**Life Skills:** This term topics will include marriage, family life, how can I contribute to family life? You and other people, why are friends important? What are the different types of relationships? Can gambling be good? Needs and wants, what influences our spending? And the foods you eat.

**Physical Education:** Students will be working on athletics, focusing on endurance, strength and flexibility.

**HOMEWORK**

Students will be expected to carry out around an hour of study each night. Please see the homework timetable below for more details. Reading is still considered to be very important and we therefore expect children to continue to read independently at home.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Subject 1	Geography (GC)	ICT (GC)	English (SBJ)	RE	English
Subject 2	History (STF)	Maths (EM)	French (JM)	Science (EMt)	Maths (MK)

**PE**

**Year 8 will need their PE kits on Wednesdays and 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.

Year 8 Timetable	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 – 7:35	Registration (MK) (S3)	Registration (JM) (S3)	Registration (MK) (S3)	Registration (TC) (S3)	Celebration Assembly (JE) (Field)
7:35 - 8:30	Maths (MK) (S3)	French (JM) (S3)	Maths (MK) (S3)	RE (TC) (S3)	Registration/Tutor Time (JM) (S3)
8:30 – 9:30	ICT (GC) (S3)	English (TT) (S3)	Music (MM) (S3)	English (TT) (S3)	English (TT) (S3)
9:30 – 9:45	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
9:45 – 10:45	Geography (GC) (S3)	English (TT) (S3)	English (TT) (S3)	French (JM) (S3)	Swimming (MM/JM) (Pool)
10:45 – 11:45	Life Skills (TC) (S3)	ICT (GC) (S3)	French (JM) (S3)	ICT (GC) (S3)	Maths (MK) (S3)
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	Lunch/Break	
12:45 – 13:30	History (STF) (S3)	Science (EM) (S1)	PE (DZ) (Field)	Maths (EM) (S3)	
13:30 – 14:30	Science (EM) (S1)	Maths (EM) (S3)	Art (MM) (S3)	Science (EM) (S1)	

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 8 Form Tutor