LIVING IN SPACE

Language Program: Japanese

Students study basic Japanese vocabulary and grammar using the exciting context of living and working in space. Topics include:

- Space Clothing
- Space Food
- Exercise in Space
- Daily routine

Designed for years 8-9, materials for a ten week school based course include lesson plans, VELS statements, an introductory PowerPoint, listening comprehension activities (audio), and student workbook.

After completing their space language training at school students visit VSSEC where they suit up for two missions, one as an astronaut in the Space Laboratory and one as a mission controller.

Students in Mission Control use the communications system to converse with the astronauts in the Space Laboratory, direct them in their science tasks and watch them complete their tasks on the central screen. Astronauts describe their observations, experiments and experiences to the mission controllers who record this information in written form.

The program is designed to maximise the amount of conversation the students use.

The entire Mission will be completed in Japanese.

During the Mission at VSSEC the class teachers will be responsible for the language component.

Mission Duration: Two 30 minute missions (each student completes a mission as both a mission controller and an astronaut)

To allow time for students to suit up, receive an equipment briefing, transfer between missions and change at the end of the visit, a 2hr time slot will be booked at VSSEC.

Max students per mission: 24 / Minimum: 12

Cost: $15 (plus GST) per student (includes VSSEC mission and all material for school based language program)

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