

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

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Aims

Pupils in Year 8 have three language lessons each week. All Pupils study either French, Spanish or German. In addition, the most able pupils will be offered the opportunity to study French as a second language through an after school lesson on one afternoon each week.

Course Description

French

- Introducing yourself
- Talking about likes and dislikes
- Describing yourself and others
- Talking about school
- Giving opinions
- Telling the time
- Talking about food and drink
- French speaking countries
- Talking about sports and activities
- Asking questions
- Saying what you do online
- Towns and cities and using 'on peut' to say what you can do there
- Giving and understanding directions
- Talking about holidays
- Daily routine
- Going to a café
- Saying what you would like to do in the future
- Types of television programs and films
- Talking about books
- The perfect tense using 'avoir'

German

- Introducing yourself
- Saying where you live
- Spelling in German
- Describing what you have in your school bag
- Saying when your birthday is
- Giving your opinion about your school subjects
- Talking about the timetable
- Talking about what you eat and drink at break
- Describing what you wear to school
- Regular and irregular verbs in German
- Learning about school life in German-speaking countries
- Giving information about family members
- Describing people's appearance
- Talking about people's characteristics
- Talking about pets
- Understanding a longer email and writing a reply
- Using connectives
- Talking about sports and hobbies
- Using adverbs of frequency to say how often you do something
- Arranging to go out and making invitations
- Introduction to the accusative case +in
- Using "man kann" to say what activities there are in your town
- Describing your house
- Describing your room

- Talking about your dream home

Spanish

- Spanish pronunciation
- Introducing yourself
- Describing people
- Talking about family and pets
- School and subjects
- Countries and town
- Talking about school
- Describing the weather
- Sports and free time activities
- Telling the time
- Ordering in a café
- Talking about holidays
- Describing holiday activities
- Learning about Christmas in Spain

Range of Activities

Pupils will work in pairs, small groups and full groups, as well as participating in self-supported study. Pupils also develop reading skills through individual reading schemes.

Homework Requirements

One homework of approximately 30 minutes will be set each week per subject. Regular learning of vocabulary and phrases is vital if progress is to be made. Some reading and writing activities will also be set to consolidate work done in class.

National Curriculum Assessment Procedures

Work is assessed throughout lessons, but formal assessments take place at the end of each term.