



MFL Curriculum

“ One language sets you in a corridor for life. Two languages open every door along the way.” Frank Smith

Key Stage 3

Year 7

All students study French and Spanish, except a selected group for Learning for Life, for 4 lessons per fortnight. Students are set into 5 ability groups all following the scheme of work based upon Expo 1. Students are also supplied with a vocab/grammar book and are offered vocabexpress (at the cost of £2 per student).

Year 8

Students continue to study French and Spanish for 4 lessons per fortnight. Students are set into 5 ability groups following the scheme of work based upon Expo 2 rouge or Expo 2 vert. Students are also supplied with a vocab/grammar book and are offered vocabexpress (at the cost of £2 per student).

At the end of year 8, students select which language they would like to study for GCSE and a foundation year of one language only, begins in y9.

Year 9

Students of French have 5 lessons per fortnight. Students are set into ability groups following the scheme of work based upon Studio 3 rouge or Studio 3 vert. Students are also supplied with a vocab/grammar book and are offered vocabexpress (at the cost of £2 per student).

Students of Spanish have 5 lessons per fortnight. Students are set into ability groups all following the scheme of work based upon Mira 3 rojo/verde. Students are also supplied with a vocab/grammar book and are offered vocabexpress (at the cost of £2 per student).

In the second half of the summer term, students are placed into their GCSE groups and begin the GCSE course.

Key Stage 4

Students follow the AQA GCSE French/Spanish Specification. The scheme of work uses Expo 4 for AQA Higher level textbooks along with a variety of other resources. For Spanish Mira 4 AQA Higher level textbooks. Additional resources include Activeteach in both languages, vocab/grammar booklets, AQA vocab booklet, vocabexpress, linguascope



Key Stage 5

AS

The AS Spanish course builds upon the skills developed at GCSE and is developing further the students ability to communicate confidently, clearly and effectively in Spanish. Students are also developing their understanding of the spoken and written forms of Spanish from a variety of sources including prose, poetry, newspapers, television, film and the internet. The course is taught via the themes of Media, Popular Culture, Healthy Living and Family Relationships. These themes focus on issues both in Spanish speaking countries and Great Britain, allowing students to give a more personal and detailed point of view

A2

The A2 Spanish course builds upon the skills developed at AS and is developing further the candidates' ability to communicate confidently, clearly and effectively in Spanish. Students are also developing their understanding of the spoken and written forms of Spanish from a variety of registers. The third strand is to develop critical insights into aspects of the contemporary society, cultural background or heritage of communities where Spanish is spoken. The course is taught via the themes of environment, the multicultural society, contemporary social issues and cultural topics.

The first Unit examination consists of listening, reading and writing exercises (70%), the second one of speaking (30%).

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