

World Languages



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Overview

The World languages department consists of 3 full time members of staff and 2 part time members of staff along with a community languages team delivering Bengali, Polish and Punjabi.

We offer French at Key stage 3, and both French and Spanish at key stage 4 and 5. Our community language program delivers lessons geared at Key stages 4 mainly but Key stage 5 as well for Punjabi.

The department is currently working in conjunction with Birmingham University on a project to promote the popularity and delivery of languages in schools.

Study Support

The department offers a wide range of Study Support opportunities across the Key Stages, which not only support students with their language learning experience, but also offer an insight into culture. We are currently running a number of extra-curricular clubs geared at improving independence in language learning (The Doodle Club), re-enforcing language basics (Arsenal Double Club) and broadening the cultural awareness of our students (World food and film clubs).

Rooming and Resources

The World Languages department has 4 classrooms that are specifically designated to the subject area. Rooms LA2, LA3, LA4, and ENT1 are all situated in the Trinity zone and have recently been refurbished.

All rooms are equipped with interactive whiteboards, dictionaries, full sets of Key Stage 3/4/5 textbooks (Allez, Zoom and AQA for GCSE), CDs and teacher's guides. The department also has 1 printer, sound equipment in each room and the use of MP3 recorders; all MFL teachers have a laptop that is issued to them by the school for planning and delivery purposes and all staff and students have access to Linguascope, Doodle Learn, Kerboodle online resources and GCSE POD.

What the students say about the department

"I didn't think that languages would be fun but I really like French."

"Spanish isn't like other subjects it has a real use, I really enjoyed being able to speak to people on the Spain trip, they actually understood me!"

"French is hard, but being able to have a conversation that other people can't understand is great!"

"The Spanish trip was amazing, we had so much fun and learnt a lot, the teachers were kind and really cared about us, they wanted us to have fun and planned lots of activities."

"Belgium was so much fun living with families really helped me to practise my French."

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Key Stage 3 (Years 7 and 8)

French or Spanish is compulsory for all year 7 and 8 students.

Year 7

Personal introductions, Family, Countries and Nationalities, Physical descriptions, Sport and Leisure.

Trips

Proposed trip to Belgium for language study and exchange; proposed trip to Spain.

Year 8

Home and Local Area, Healthy Living, Food and Drink, Planning a visit, Shopping and Fashion.

Key Stage 4 (Years 9, 10 and 11)

Languages are compulsory for the majority of students at Key Stage 4. Key Stage 4 allows students to study language, grammar and culture in more depth, with a significant focus upon Speaking and Writing skills.

Year 9

Festivals and Celebrations, Free Time and the Media

School Exam

Mock speaking and writing assessment in December, formal speaking and writing assessment in the summer.

Year 10

School work and future plans, Home and local area

Exam

Formal speaking and writing assessments, mock listening and reading exam

Year 11

Home and local area, Environment, Family and relationships

Exams

Exam results	2015	2016	2017
Spanish	100% A*-C	67% A*-C	100% A*-C
French	45% A*-C	64% A*-C	48% A*-C

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Other Languages	100% A-C	Punjabi 95% A*-C; Arabic 50% A*-C; Bengali 100% A*-C	Punjabi 100% A*-C; Polish 100% A*-C;

Table of Key Stage 4 Languages exam results 2015 - 2017

*Other Languages could include Arabic, Bengali, Panjabi, Polish and Urdu

Key Stage 5 / Post 16

Our GCE Modern Language course in either French or Spanish gives you a strong foundation for understanding both language and culture.

You will study the French/Spanish speaking world and the language in depth through a variety of interesting and topical themes.

Click on the link below for further information:

- **[French / Spanish - A Level](#)**