

# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES – CURRICULUM INTENT

## ASPIRE – CHALLENGE – ACHIEVE

### *“Languages for Life”*

The Modern Languages department’s ethos is to foster the enjoyment of language by encouraging pride in successful linguistic achievement. We aim to develop each student to his or her potential in the use and understanding of modern foreign languages at a level appropriate to the learner’s experience. We take care to ensure that particularly gifted students or those with language-advantaged backgrounds are appropriately catered for and challenged. We are committed to establishing a supportive learning environment that encourages students to feel confident about taking risks and developing informed opinions about the world around them.

Our curriculum follows the National Curriculum and focuses on learning French and Spanish; we want students to reflect on and enhance their skills, ask questions and enjoy challenge. Students are offered a range of activities via listening, speaking, reading and writing including cross-curricular activities. Curriculum Intervention is also a key part to our students’ success and KS4 and KS5 students are encouraged to participate in additional intervention sessions. We want to raise awareness of the cultures of the countries of the languages studied. There will be opportunities to independently extend their skills by encouraging the development of literacy, research, practical and investigative skills and building learning competencies which should prepare our students to become life-long learners.

Competency in a foreign language unlocks a person’s problem-solving skills, resilience and communication skills, all of which are essential to employability. We hope that our language students have a greater understanding of other cultures and consider themselves to be world citizens.

## MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES – CURRICULUM MAP

**Key =** Matching colours denote links between topics either in content or skills across Key Stages

7	My personal details	Free Time	School Introductory to Subjects and opinions	Family and friends	Town
8	Hobbies	TV ,Film , book and internet	Trip to Paris	Food and festivals	Home
9	Family and relationships	Social networks Talking about reading preferences	Making arrangements	Describing school subjects, teachers, uniform & the school day Talking about the school rules and problems	Talking about plans for a school exchange Talking about activities and achievements
10	Hobbies	TV, film, book and internet	Holiday	Clothes and shopping	Food & Festivals
11	Current and future study and employment	Local, national, international and global areas of interest	Identity and cultures	REVISION	GCSE EXAMS
13	Theme 3 Multiculturalism in Hispanic society	Research and presentation & La casa de Bernarda Alba	Theme 4 Aspects of political life in the Hispanic world	REVISION	A2 EXAMS