

# Modern Languages

## Dept Info



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The MFL Department at Alec Reed Academy aims to provide the best possible MFL education for all our pupils. The team is experienced, very well qualified, friendly and innovative. GCSE results are excellent and reflect the hard work that we put into the learning and teaching within the department. In September the MFL Department will consist of 3 teachers of which there is a Subject Leader for Spanish. Languages are not compulsory at KS4 but the use of option pathways means that about a third of pupils are guided into studying the full EBacc, whilst the strong teaching that exists within the team means that it is also popular with other pupils. The option choices for September 2021 provide for one French and two Spanish groups.



Our aim is to provide pupils with a first-class MFL education, enabling them to achieve outstanding personal and academic success, together with the confidence and self-awareness necessary to take their place in society. We hope to foster in each individual an enquiring, questioning mind, an independent spirit and good habits in work and leisure, as well as courtesy and generosity towards others and a better understanding of other cultures.

The MFL curriculum is designed to combine the best traditional learning with new technology and new initiatives. We aim to make learning exciting, relevant and enjoyable and to help provide students with historical and intellectual skills.

### **Primary Curricula**

We are very fortunate to be able to teach cross phase and working with primary pupils is very exciting. We have produced our own course which focuses on building confidence and a willingness to speak in Spanish and French.

### **Key Stages 3, 4 and 5 Curricula**

Pupils currently study either Spanish or French in Year 7 and 8. Our KS3 outcomes improve each year and motivation for learning is high.

At GCSE pupils take EDEXCEL Spanish or French exam courses. We are fortunate to have many other languages spoken amongst the student body and each year enter many students for GCSE in their home language. A full time EAL coordinator directs the provision for the home language pupils.

At KS3, Year 7 and Year 8 pupils have 2 x 60 minute periods within a mixed-ability class. Options start in Year 9 and through KS4 pupils have 3 lessons of 60 minutes.

