

The Forest School

Modern Foreign Languages Department

The MFL Subject Team is a friendly and welcoming department and can offer excellent facilities. Every classroom is equipped with an interactive whiteboard and audio-visual connections. There are extensive ICT facilities available for use by classes throughout the school. The departmental office has recently been refurbished, offering a pleasant and well-resourced preparation area. Pupils take up French, German or Spanish in Year 7 and continue with their language for at least 3 years.

A healthy proportion of pupils opt to study a language at GCSE (AQA); groups at Key Stage 4 are well motivated and eager to learn. The MFL Subject Team also offers the FCSE in all three languages to set 2 classes enabling them to gain a national qualification. We are committed to delivering high-quality teaching specifically targeted at how students learn best, encouraging them to approach learning a foreign language with enthusiasm.

Our results for both the GCSE and FCSE have been outstanding with students achieving above the national average in all three languages. Our aims are to deliver high standards of teaching and learning, to track and monitor individual pupil progress and to promote the skills of Reading, Writing and Speaking and Listening across the subject, in order to enhance academic achievement and for enjoyment. We are developing the use of ICT within schemes of work and contributing to the school's Virtual Learning Environment.

As a subject team we enjoy sharing ideas and working together and there is ample scope for the person appointed to help build on the successful developments to date. We offer a range of trips and clubs to foster an interest in languages and give pupils an opportunity to practise what they have learnt. The person appointed to this post will be expected to contribute to raising standards of achievement through the development of Assessment for Learning (AFL), embedding effective use of data and intervention strategies, and promoting a life-long love of languages.