



Modern Foreign Languages

Kesteven and Grantham Girls' School

Staffing

The Modern Languages Faculty currently has nine highly experienced members of staff delivering French, German and Spanish from KS3 through to KS5. Responsibility for running the faculty is shared between the Head of Faculty and two Seconds in Faculty (with responsibility for German and Spanish, respectively).

Facilities

The MFL Faculty occupies its own suite of rooms in the school. The faculty area consists of six full-size classrooms, one of which is a purpose-built computer room, two smaller rooms used for Sixth Form and small group teaching, and a Faculty Office.

Curriculum

KS3

In Year 7, French is taught in 6 one hour lessons per fortnight.

In Year 8, French drops to 3 hours per fortnight, but German is introduced, for 4 hours and Spanish is introduced for 2 hours a fortnight.

In year 9, French is taught for 3 hours per fortnight and both German and Spanish are covered in 2 hours each.

KS4

At present, taking a foreign language at GCSE is optional, but strongly recommended. However, 80% + choose to do so. French, German, Spanish, or a combination of these, are offered.

KS5

All 3 languages are offered at A Level.

Achievement

The MFL Faculty achieves excellent results at both GCSE and A level. In 2024, 71% of students achieved grades 7-9 in GCSE French, 70% in German and 48% in Spanish with all three subjects value added score placing them within the top 11% nationally according to FFT. At A-level, 100% of students achieved A*/B in French and German, with 71% in Spanish.

Exchanges and foreign links

Year 9 French students travel to Normandy for a residential trip each year whilst a successful German exchange trip continues to flourish. A residential visit to Madrid has also been established and is increasing in popularity. We employ full-time French, German and Spanish assistants, who support KS4 and KS5 students.

Other information

The faculty regularly accommodates PGCE MFL students for their School Experience placement.