**St Bede’s Inter-Church School – The Modern Foreign Languages Department**

The Modern Foreign Languages Department at St. Bede’s currently consists of four full-time and one part-time members of staff. We are also fortunate to have dedicated French and German language assistants who support staff and students in lessons.

Languages are taught in a new spacious suite of specialist classrooms located within the St Cuthbert building. All classrooms are equipped with ‘Smartboard’ interactive whiteboards. At KS3 the department uses the ‘Studio’ course in French and the ‘Echo Express’ course in German. At GCSE we use ‘Edexcel GCSE’ course books in both languages and follow the Edexcel GCSE course in both French and German. All courses come with the ‘active teach’ resource (a digital book used for front-of-class teaching).

In Y7 students study French and are taught in their mixed ability tutor groups. In Y8 most students begin the study of German as a second MFL. In Y9 students are taught in mixed ability groups in both languages. Students from Y7 to Y11 receive two hours of teaching per week in both languages.

GCSE Latin is also available as an option from Y9-11 and currently has a single class in each year.

Over 70% of students study at least one language through until GCSE. Our examination results are significantly above the National Average and our students make excellent progress throughout their time with us. We seek to foster self-confidence, develop a love of languages in all students regardless of ability and our expectations are high. Students of all abilities enjoy their language lessons and participate well. Students’ behaviour is typically judged to be outstanding.

If you are seeking to work in a friendly, collaborative and forward-looking team with well-motivated students, we look forward to receiving your application to join our department.