

Languages offer a variety of competences in communication and a knowledge of other cultures. They develop confidence and motivation towards a brighter future.

‘If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.’ Nelson Mandela

Our unwavering commitment in the Modern Languages Department is to create and sustain an intellectually challenging and diverse academic environment through excellent teaching and scholarship. The notion that languages matter, improve life opportunities and create a sense of community is inherent to our core beliefs. The study of Modern Foreign Languages at Calthorpe Park School promotes resilience, flexibility of mind, self-belief, originality and initiative and contributes to a greater understanding of the human experience around the globe.



Our Results

Excellent outcomes for students. Students leave with significant value added results in MFL. Here are the 2024 MFL results:

French	German	Spanish
4-9 : 80%	4-9 : 80%	4-9 : 96%
5-9 : 72%	5-9 : 70%	5-9 : 84%
7-9 : 50%	7-9 : 50%	7-9 : 48%



Our Curriculum

In an increasingly interconnected world, we firmly believe that young people need to become communicatively competent and informed global citizens with proficiency in languages and critical insights into world cultures in order to gain a greater understanding of the wider world.

In the Modern Foreign Languages department, we dedicate ourselves to fostering students’ progress in the four linguistic skill areas – reading, writing, speaking, listening – and developing cultural awareness as they cultivate productive community connections in and outside the classroom.

Department Aims

Our aim is to foster positive attitudes and interest, enthusiasm for languages, raising awareness of the cultures of the countries of the languages studied. To provide enjoyment and intellectual stimulation, encouraging students to continue their study of the language. We choose learning experiences that build upon previous work and pupils' present knowledge and understanding.

Schemes of Work and Assessment

Comprehensive, regularly updated to embrace changes and developments in the classroom. Assessments build and develop the skills required for GCSE

Key features

- Team of MFL Specialists, consisting of 6 teachers
- French, German & Spanish taught from Y7-11
- Dedicated MFL block
- Smart board in every classroom
- Support department working cohesively and collegiately