



# MATRAVERS SCHOOL

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## Modern Foreign Languages

### MFL at Matravers

The languages are pivotal in our vision for World Class Education at Matravers. They offer students the opportunities to develop their communication skills and character while gaining cultural capital. Languages proudly sit embedded in our curriculum throughout each Key Stage. Our department has become renowned for celebrating success through rewards such as our petit déjeuner avec le Principal and setting creative homework, pushing the boundaries of learning and capturing the imagination of our learners. We encourage the learning of languages throughout our student's learning journey and ever wish to enhance our offer.

### The Department

The MFL department is staffed by enthusiastic specialist teachers, dedicated to the experience students receive and the progress they make. We place a high value in the department and therefore it's well-resourced with interactive technology, online learning subscriptions and it resides in our brand new, £8 million, teaching block.

### Curricular Provision

At Matravers, we constantly review the curriculum offer to ensure that it is well-matched to the students' abilities, enabling them to successfully develop high quality subject specific and transferable skills as well as exam success. Our intent is to inspire students into loving languages and deliver experiences which they will cherish.

The languages curriculum intent is centred on offering students opportunities to develop their skills of speaking, translating and writing. These skills develop the potential for real life application and ultimately examination success.

At Key Stage 3 students receive a significant amount of learning time within our broad and diverse curriculum, which reflects its importance. We have introduced a second language into the Key Stage 3 Curriculum, with pupils studying both Spanish and French, broadening the provision further.

At Key Stage 4 students follow the AQA GCSE specifications. We're always looking to encourage new opportunities for students and in recent years students have completed GCSEs in French, Spanish, Portuguese German, and Polish.

At Key Stage 5 students follow the AQA Level Specifications.

### Extra-Curricular Provision

The department has always offered a rich extra-curricular provision and colleagues are encouraged to introduce new and exciting opportunities. In recent years our students have benefitted from well attended after school clubs, such as Mandarin and cuisine from around the world.

As a school we value enrichment student's gain from visits, locally and globally, encouraging and supporting teachers to take lead in running one. Recently our learners have visited Italy, France, Germany, Austria, Belgium and Iceland.