



Humanities Department Information - Geography, History, MFL, RE and Sociology.

Staffing

- 3 full time members of staff, including one Head of Faculty, 3 Heads of Department, one Deputy Head, one Assistant Head, one Lead Practitioner, one DoE and LOTC co-ordinator and one careers co-ordinator.

Modern Foreign Languages

Staffing

Our Modern Languages Department consists of three full time members of staff, including one Assistant Head and a Head of Department. The department is supported by a part time French Assistant.

Responsibilities within the Humanities Department

- The Head of Faculty is assisted by three Heads of Department.
- The Head of Faculty is responsible for the vision and ethos of the area, curriculum and examination policy, liaison with senior leaders, staff issues (including staff development), finance and discipline of students.
- Each Head of Department is responsible for their own subject. Responsibilities include monitoring standards of teaching and learning, the organisation of schemes of work, setting of students, liaison with Learning Managers and advising the Head of Faculty on resourcing and curriculum development.

Curricular Policy

a) Key Stage 3 (Years 7-8)

- Students spend either one or two hours a week studying in the Faculty depending on the subject. French has 2 lessons per week.
- Lessons are in a variety of either set groups or mixed groups
- Some classes are set based on ability

b) Key Stage 3 (Year 9)

- Students have streamlined their pathway and have selected this subject and have two lessons a week in the subject.

c) Key Stage 4 (Years 9 - 11)

- Students receive two if chosen as an option. Exam boards vary by department but AQA, OCR and Edexcel are usually chosen.

d) Key Stage 5 (Years 12 and 13)

- Students receive four hours a week on their chosen option path

Department Courses

At GCSE the department prepares students for the AQA French examination. The AQA examination board is also used in post-16 courses.

Examination

The department has a good record of examination success at all levels.

Departmental/Faculty Accommodation

- A specific teaching block including 6 specific teaching rooms and 5 other rooms found outside of the Humanities block.
- A Head of Faculty office.

Extra-Curricular activities

The department is from where the school's Duke of Edinburgh programme is based, which has received external accreditation for its quality. Trips to France, Belgium and Iceland are regular and individual staff regularly offer extra-curricular activities within their department. Curriculum based trips also frequently occur. The running of Dora Love also falls within the Faculty.