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# PRIORY SCHOOL

# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Priory School is an 11-16 comprehensive in the county town of Lewes. The Modern Languages Learning Area has attractive accommodation overlooking the South Downs.

We have a suite of six well-equipped classrooms and a large staff office. Each room has a computer and an interactive whiteboard. The Curriculum area has a large number of electronic resources and has access to computer suites on a booking basis. At present there are 9 permanent teaching members of staff, some of them part time. We also mentor PGCE students.

We are a very successful department. French, German and Spanish enjoy parity in the curriculum. Students study all three languages in our year 7 carousel and opt for one or two languages in year 8. We also teach Latin for 10 weeks to our year 7 groups. We have excellent exam results in all the languages at GCSE and offer a dual linguist option to our gifted linguists who are able to gain 2 GCSEs within KS4. The main courses used are *Expo* in KS3 French, *Zoom* in KS3 German and *Listos* in KS3 Spanish. We use the Edexcel GCSE books for all languages at KS4. From 2015 onwards we have been awarded The Prince’s Teaching Institute Kite mark every year.

We offer many varied foreign visits. In KS3 we offer our annual cross-curricular trips to France, Germany and Spain. In KS4 we offer city breaks to Paris, Berlin and Valencia. We also have a very strong link with a school in Jaén and Albert and those schools come and visit us for one weak in summer.

Mandarin is also offered after school for Gifted and Talented students.

We also work with a cluster of eight feeder primaries on developing primary MFL.

The governors are seeking to appoint a committed linguist to work in our successful team and we look forward to receiving your application.

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