**MODERN LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT**

**The Team**

The department is looking for a dynamic, forward thinking Spanish specialist to join our successful team of seven full time and two part-time members of staff. We have our own base in school, located next to the sixth form. All classrooms are equipped with whiteboard and projector. The team work collaboratively, planning and sharing resources which means that there is a wealth of both departmental and commercially produced materials available. Spanish is the main language at Turton but French and Latin are taught to students following the Scholars’ Pathway.

Trips to France, Spain and Italy are often organised for students in Key Stage 3 and 4. We also deliver Spanish lessons one afternoon a week to one of our feeder primary schools.

**Key Stage 3**

During year 7, all students in main school study Spanish, building on the foundations of their primary school work. We follow our own curriculum and do not solely rely on one course book, using sentence building using the Conti methodology alongside Viva This continues throughout Key Stage 3. Students have three 60 minute lessons per week.

**Scholars**

Some students follow the Scholars’ Pathway. In year 7 they study French for three lessons per week and Latin for one hour. In year 8 they will also study Spanish, in addition to French and Latin, taking the Cambridge examination at the end of the year. In year 9 they continue with French and Spanish.

**Key Stage 4**

A GCSE language is compulsory for all students on the EBacc Pathway. Students have three 60 minute lessons per week. The examining board is AQA. Results are high for both languages – 83% French and 87% Spanish.

**Key Stage 5**

French and Spanish are offered at A level and students follow the AQA course. Students are encouraged to do work experience in the target language country.