MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES – FRENCH AND SPANISH

NOTE:

Your personalised options form will specify if you will study both French and Spanish or at least one MFL.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED DURING THE COURSE?

During Year 9 you will:

- learn to express opinions and talk about topics such as fashion, friendship, shopping, going out, holidays and films
- learn more about the culture in the countries where the language is spoken
- be able to have short conversations about the studied topics in the foreign language
- describe and understand events in the past, present and future.

WHAT SKILLS WILL BE DEVELOPED OVER THE YEAR?

- improve your communication skills
- independent study skills
- develop good listening skills by watching and studying a film in the foreign language and sparking an interest in foreign language music
- confidence in speaking
- improve your literacy skills and understanding of how language works
- use ICT to produce project work
- use online language resources and games to improve your grammar
- · research skills
- improve your knowledge of the culture where the language is spoken
- being creative in writing and speaking

WHERE WILL THIS COURSE LEAD ME?

Studying two languages in Year 9 will leave your choice of language open for GCSE and allow you to continue with both if you wish. After only a limited amount of study of two languages in Year 7 and 8, you may not yet feel able to decide which you prefer which is why it is best for the majority of pupils to continue studying two languages. Languages are regarded as rigorous academic discipline which can lead to further studies at A-Level and beyond. Continued study of two languages in greater detail will allow you to compare the two languages and develop your understanding of how language works.