

KS3 Modern Foreign Languages

The MFL Course at KS3 has been designed to embed language-learning skills, whilst equipping students for the challenges of GCSE. Throughout years 7-9, students are offered the chance to learn both French and Spanish and there is a strong emphasis on rigorous grammar and skills acquisition, vocabulary-based learning, in addition to a culturally up-to-date content. All students have access to the Interactive Learning modules which accompany our chosen textbooks.

Year 7 - Students have 2 lessons of French per week. The following topics are covered:

Term 1	All about me
Term 2	School life
Term 3	Free Time

Year 8 - Students have 2 MFL lessons per week. Both Spanish and French are taught and each language rotates on a weekly basis.

Term 1	<u>French</u> Family Life	<u>Spanish</u> Introduction to the Spanish language All about me
Term 2	In the town	School
Term 3	Project-based	My Family

Year 9

Students continue with both French and Spanish on a rota basis (set 3 concentrate on Spanish* KS3) and have 3 MFL lessons per week. Students now start GCSE work and cover the following topics over the year, with a key focus on grammar and examination skills:

<u>French:</u>	Who am I? (Theme 1: Identity and Culture)
	Leisure (Theme 1: Identity and Culture)
<u>Spanish:</u>	Holidays (Theme 2: Local, international and global areas of interest)
	School Life (Theme 2: Current and future study and employment)
<u>Spanish*</u>	House & Home
	Free Time
	In the town

Assessment

At the end of every unit, pupils have a written assessment, focusing on a key skill(s) for that topic, as well as a formal examination during exam week in year 7, 8 and 9.

Progress is reported to parents through interim and full written reports and discussed at Parent's evenings.

