



Curriculum Statement

Spanish KS3 Languages

The focus in KS3 for MFL is to develop knowledge in the four key skills required when learning a Modern Foreign Language - reading, writing, listening and speaking, with an emphasis on pronunciation. The pupils are assessed every half term to ensure progression and attainment is achieved. Pupils in KS3 will be provided with a Pearson Active Learn login, to access online 'Viva' Spanish book.

Year 7 Spanish

Throughout the autumn term, pupils learn to talk about themselves and family members, including pets and where they live. They also learn about classroom objects and are able to give opinions and reasons. Furthermore, they will learn the numbers 1-31. Towards the end of the term, they will also cover physical descriptions and personality traits, which will teach them adjectival agreements. A cultural focus will be introduced to compare Christmas in Spain and England.

During the spring term, we will be learning about school subjects, teachers and GCSE plans. We will cover telling the time in Spanish and studying daily routine as well as revising all topics in preparation for examinations. We will be looking at tradition and cultural differences surrounding Easter.

Throughout the summer term, their knowledge of talking about where they live is developed and they will learn to talk about what there is in their town and asking for and giving directions. Number skills will be developed to 100. Pupils will be able to describe their house in detail and understand prepositions and they will learn how to use the present tense.

Year 8 Spanish

During the autumn term, students will be focusing on revising key skills learned in year 7, like adjectival agreements, conjugation of regular verbs and opinions and justifications. They will be learning about directions, places in town to visit and the weather. There will be a strong focus on developing opinions with extended reasons.

In the spring term they will move on to learning about their lives, including free time activities, sports and describing television programmes. They will be talking about what they do during the week and at weekends, thus learning to use the future tense.

During the summer term, students will learn to describe past holidays, thus learning to use the preterite (simple past) tense. They will learn about food and healthy eating habits. Students will also have the opportunity to learn about spring festivities in Spain and the culture of 'tapas'.

Curriculum Intent:

We aspire to expose our pupils to a broad and ambitious Modern Languages curriculum, which is rich in skills and knowledge, develops self-efficacy, kindles curiosity and promotes diversity and tolerance of other cultures. Our Modern Languages curriculum will give pupils the opportunity to:

- use language skills, receptively and productively, for communication in the real world, for practical purposes, for their immediate needs, interests and beyond and to express and justify opinions.
- develop their confidence and autonomy to access new and unfamiliar language through the use of decoding skills brought about by the explicit teaching of phonics and sound patterns.
- work towards becoming a fluent and spontaneous speaker of the foreign language.