

MFL (French & German) information for Y11 parents' evening 2020



Your child will have 4 elements to their French or German GCSE. They will be required to sit a listening, reading and writing exam, as well as an assessment in speaking which will be reported alongside the exam grade as a pass, merit or distinction award.

In order to prepare for their GCSE in French or German, your child should be revising for a short period of time daily. Below we have outlined some of the revision techniques your child can use to prepare them for their MFL exams which you may want to support them with.

- 1) Attend revision sessions each week. These take place in S1 and S4 for French and S1 and S2 for German on Wednesday lunchtimes. Your child has a revision tracker card so you can monitor how many sessions they attend.
- 2) Practise their general conversation questions with them in preparation for the speaking exam. The students will bring home three speaking sheets with them; these are colour coded for each of the 3 GCSE topics/themes. Theme 1 is lilac, theme 2 is green and theme 3 is blue. Please could you encourage and test them regularly on these paragraphs.
- 3) Study verb tables and revise tenses: all students have been given tense worksheets and verb tables to support them in their learning. They can make these into flashcards or posters and should be revised regularly.
- 4) Prior to the mock exam, the students will be issued with a revision booklet in red for French and yellow for German. They should learn all of the vocabulary in the relevant booklet for them.
- 5) We encourage the students to use an online learning application called 'Memrise', which reinforces vocabulary and helps retention. The pupils can set up an account and then should access the site through Google by searching 'SMC GCSE French/German' which will take them to the courses we have designed.

Your support is greatly appreciated and really does make a difference.

Merci beaucoup! Vielen Dank!