

Modern Foreign Languages

Learning a language creates fantastic opportunities for young people to travel, interact within a diverse society, develop cultural understanding and improve their knowledge and understanding of the English language.

The Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) KS3 Curriculum is divided into two languages, Spanish and French. Pupils initiate their journey at Dean Trust Ardwick with all studying Spanish in Year 7 and some groups will also have the opportunity to do French as well. Throughout the three-year course, pupils experience a GCSE syllabus structure to develop the four main skill areas, Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing, with an additional focus on grammar.

Year 7 Spanish/French

Pupils receive an intensive introduction to the Spanish/French language. The Year 7 curriculum will follow a range of exciting topics based on the following themes:

Introductions.	Home and the Local Area.
School Life.	Free time and Sports.
Family and Pets.	Food and Culture.

Year 8 Spanish

Pupils revisit key linguistic structures and consolidate their grammar from Year 7 in Term 1. A rigorous curriculum is then established on topics linked with the current GCSE specification:

Consolidation Module.	Films, music and TV
School and careers	Food and going out
	Cultural Traditions in Spanish
	Speaking Countries.

Each topic of work develops the four main core skills: Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing.

Year 9 Spanish/French

Pupils are introduced to the GCSE Framework allowing them sufficient curriculum time to engage and become resilient learners with a strong focus on the core skills. Pupils initiate their journey into the GCSE syllabus with a foundation on the following topic areas:

Healthy living, Social issues, technology and social media, environmental issues

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Year 8 French – Ab Initio

Pupils receive an intensive introduction to the French language.

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Extra-Curricular

Extra-Curricular activities for MFL introduce an array of experiences for pupils to build and develop a passion for languages. These include Linguascope Club, MFL Film club as well as opportunities to practice Arabic, Italian, Urdu and Bengali by invitation only.