



Swanshurst School – Modern Foreign Languages Department

The MFL department is large and offers pupils the choice of studying French, German or Spanish at KS3. Pupils can then continue this language in KS4, with additional opportunities for some students to study two languages. We also offer GCSE Urdu for those pupils who are already proficient in the language. We have a very high uptake of pupils studying a language at GCSE and run A Level courses in French, Spanish and German.

The department is currently made up of 5 full-time and 5 part-time members of staff.

Pupils enjoy learning and consistently achieve good results in all languages, with our pupils regularly achieving above the national average.

The MFL department is suited in our own modern building and the vast majority of lessons take place here. Classrooms are well resourced with interactive whiteboards and integrated speakers. All members of staff have a laptop and ICT is expected to be an integral part of all lessons.

The department believes in developing pupil independence and has developed and purchased many on-line resources that pupils can access from home to support their studies, in addition to our excellent in school resources.

The department runs two successful, long-running foreign trips; visiting France in Year 7 and either Germany or Spain in Year 9. These are always oversubscribed and provide the girls with invaluable experiences.

We look forward to receiving your application.

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