

## **Wheatley Park School**

# The Languages Faculty

The Languages Faculty presently consists of three full-time and two part-time members of staff. The Faculty is now situated in the Stable block where each teacher has their own classroom, all equipped with digital projectors and network connection.

The successful candidate would be joining the Faculty at an exciting time where the number of students taking GCSE and A Level is on the increase.

We have always regarded teamwork as one of our strengths and the atmosphere within the Faculty is excellent. Indeed, our collaborative approach not only gives students a better learning experience but helps us to manage teacher workloads. We have regular Faculty meetings and see INSET training as an ongoing process of personal and professional development.

We offer new members of the team a supportive and encouraging atmosphere in order to develop their skills so that our students have the very best experience of languages they can at all levels of attainment.

### Courses







## KS3 French:

All year 7 and 8 students study French. They are taught in mixed ability groups in both years.

We have written our own creative and innovative SOW which follow the KS3 MFL framework, using Expo as a resource amongst many others including resources we create as a Faculty and share.

#### Spanish and Latin:

Students in year 9 may choose to study Spanish or Latin and to continue onto GCSE.

We have created our own SOW for Spanish which follows the GCSE topic structure and draws on best practice from the KS3 framework for MFL. It gives students many opportunities to develop their curiosity about the culture of the language they are studying and the linguistic skills necessary to study this subject in KS4.

At KS4 students studying French, or Spanish, follow the Edexcel GCSE course; those studying Latin follow the OCR qualification.

We use the Edexcel course book (Studio) for both Spanish and French.

We do have a number of students studying 2 languages at GCSE.

#### KS5

Both French and Spanish are offered at Advanced Level. Currently our students follow the AQA specification for French and Spanish.

# Trips

The faculty offers a number of trips to pupils including a Year 8 trip to Northern France, and two residential in France and Spain.

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