

“Languages provide a window on to a wider world”

Hummersknott Academy MFL Faculty

We are a very successful Faculty in a school where languages is an integral and flourishing part of the curriculum.

Staff and Accommodation

The Faculty comprises eight members of staff, of whom four are Subject Leaders. The Faculty is housed in a suite of dedicated language rooms, all of which have interactive SMART boards for teaching.

Curriculum

All our students currently study French from year 7-9 and select a second language from Spanish/German/Chinese in year 8. In year 9 the majority of our students opt for one or both of their languages to study at GCSE.

Students in year 7 are taught in mixed ability groups and then in ability groups from year 8 onwards.

GCSE - we currently offer AQA syllabus GCSE French, Spanish, German and Chinese with an opportunity to study Italian after school.

We are a lead school for the IOE Confucius Classroom and have a full time Chinese Teaching Assistant and received the award for the World Confucius Classroom of the Year in 2014.

We deliver Chinese to schools across the town and the North East.

We are passionate about promoting language learning and we regularly host whole school activities such as European Day of Languages and Chinese New Year. Our student voice tells us that our young people enjoy languages at Hummersknott.

Curriculum Enrichment

We are committed to offering our students an engaging and enriching curriculum both inside and outside of the classroom. We organise exchange trips to Germany, France, Italy and China as well as an outbound trip to the Ardeche region of France. Students are encouraged to go on these trips in order to develop their language skills and confidence in speaking.

Finally...

At Hummersknott Academy, you will be part of a welcoming, supportive and dedicated team of staff. You will be provided with your own teaching room and have a mentor within the department. You will also have access to professional development through a series of CPD activities, with a whole school, faculty and individual focus. Our school is vibrant with many extra-curricular activities and opportunities, and we encourage getting involved in foreign visits, existing clubs and societies or even starting your own.