**THE MFL DEPARTMENT**

Whilst French and Spanish are taught in our school as the main languages, students use this as a springboard to study other languages or indeed to continue with the study of the languages on offer at Park House School in Higher Education. Enrichment Japanese and Arabic are also currently offered in the school. The study of French or Spanish at GCSE level is a compulsory option for most students up to GCSE level.

The MFL Department is currently staffed by 3 teachers and 1 intervention teacher. MFL staff are expected to teach both languages across the full age and ability range. There are three classrooms each equipped with laptop projection facilities and interactive whiteboards, allowing each member of staff to teach in one place.

In year 7 and 8 French or Spanish is taught in banded groups. The KS3 curriculum is delivered in short topics using the Pearson Expo and ¡Listos! courses although these are supplemented to compliment the school’s own scheme of work and to prepare the students for the KS4 curriculum.

At KS4 students continue with the study of their chosen language from year 7 and 8. Students can also opt for an additional language in year 9. We follow the AQA course in French and Spanish basing our scheme of work on the Pearson Studio and Viva courses. These courses are used online and students have access to online tasks that link to the courses.

At A level, the AQA course is used in both languages. Kerboodle is used online as an important resource.

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