Laurence Jackson School

Improving life Chances

**MFL at Laurence Jackson School**

The department comprises of six full and part-time enthusiastic, experienced and dedicated language teachers who take pride in delivering a challenging and enjoyable languages curriculum.

At present, all students study French in Y7 with our more able groups also taking on Spanish in Y8. Several groups begin their GCSE course in Y9 which they build upon in KS4. Uptake at KS4 is improving with around a third of all students studying a language GCSE.

Results in the last three years in French have been our best ever 2016 89% A\*-C, 2017 98% A\*-C, 2018 7+ - 25%, 9/5- 77%, 9/4- 91%.

Both Spanish and French results are consistently above the national average. Our Progress 8 for Languages is also positive.

The Quality of Teaching and learning across the department is Good and our expectations and outcomes for students of all abilities is high. Student Voice indicates that students enjoy their MFL lessons and appreciate the quality of support they receive from their teachers.

The department runs established and successful trips to both France and Spain. We also have a link school in France, whose students have visited LJS and with whom we have regular communication between French and English students. A European Day of Languages Bake-off has been one of the highlights of our year.