**The MFL Department**

The Modern Foreign Languages Department at Abbey Grange teaches over 90% of students at KS4. The main language being taught is French but Spanish is increasing year on year. In most years we have a good sized French group at both AS and A2. We also support students to gain qualifications in a range of other first languages and benefit from the diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds of our students.

**Department Structure**

The Languages Department currently consists of 6 full time specialist teachers, including the Subject Leader, the Teaching and Learning Leader, plus a French Language Assistant for 8 months of the year.

**Curriculum**

At KS3 (Years 7 and 8) students have 5 one hour lessons a fortnight. Year 7 classes are equally split with half studying French and half Spanish. The current Year 8 are all studying French but from September 2019 there will be an even split between French and Spanish.

Nearly all students continue with French to GCSE, and they can opt for Spanish as an additional language. At KS4 students have 4 one hour lessons a fortnight. The AQA specification is used for both French and Spanish GCSE.

At A level the AQA specification is followed.

**Attainment Information**

In Summer 2018 46% of students achieved 9-4 grades in French GCSE, with 13% achieving A\*/A grades.

At KS5 100% of students achieved A\*-C grades in French A level with 67% achieving A\*/A grades. The first A Level Spanish cohort achieved 100% A\*/A.