



AIM AND PURPOSE

Our goal is to instil in our students a curiosity about the world and an appreciation of the power of languages to expand their horizons. We believe that language is one of the most fundamental tools we have as humans to express ourselves and to learn about the world we live in. We want our students to have an outward looking approach to the world as this creates opportunities (e.g. university / career) and also helps to foster empathy and a better understanding of different people and cultures.

HOW DOES THE CURRICULUM INDUCT STUDENTS INTO THE DISCIPLINE OF THE SUBJECT?

Students are inducted into the discipline of the subject through rigorous teaching and a curriculum that teaches all four skills (listening, reading, speaking, and writing). We use sentence builders, particularly at KS3, to develop students' fluency. At KS4, we teach students to evaluate their written responses by giving both sides of the argument before reaching their conclusion. This skill-set then helps students at KS5 with their speaking skills, as they regularly have to debate in class and this skill sets them up for their exam but also for further study in the subject. At KS5 students also learn to how to critically analyse a film and a literary text - a skill-set that is essential for those wanting to extend their language learning beyond A Level.





OVERVIEW

The Year 7 Spanish curriculum is designed to give students a grounding in the language so that they are able to have short conversations in the target language and to describe themselves and their interests. There is a big focus at Y7 on speaking Spanish and we teach phonics so that students develop an understanding of the different sounds. This enables students to sound authentic when they speak and also to develop their listening skills.

Term	Focus	Assessment
Aut 1	Introduction - Classroom instructions and requests - Phonics/ pronunciation - Talk about yourself (name, age, birthday etc.) - What you like/dislike doing in your free time	Writing task
Aut 2	Family - Talk about family members - Appearance/descriptions - Describe your personality and that of family members - Describe pets you have and would like to have in the future	Writing task
Spr 1	School - Give opinions of school subjects - Describe your school and timetable - Describe your teachers - Describe what you do after school and break time (present tense)	Mid Year exams: Reading Writing Listening
Spr 2	Home and local area - House, home and room – location and description - Local area and description (places in town) - Describe what you can do in your area - Describe where you're doing to live in the future (future tense)	Writing task
Sum 1	Consolidation and revision of previous topics - Introduction - Family - School - Home and local area	Speaking Exam
Sum2	Assessment and consolidation - Revision of prior learning in preparation for EoY assessments - Review and consolidation	UL Common assessments in Listening, Reading, and Writing.

Home Learning:

- Weekly online vocabulary learning

Useful resources:

- www.languagenut.com
- www.quizlet.com



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In Year 8 students will continue to develop their knowledge across the four skills (Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking) and will be introduced to more challenging grammar points. For example, the year begins with students learning how to use the Past Tense. Over the course of the year, students will develop their grammar skills so they are regularly able to speak and write using two tenses.

Term	Focus	Assessment
Aut 1	Holidays • Transport- opinions and reasons • Talk about usual holidays and preferred holidays. • Describe your ideal holiday. • Describe a past holiday, where you went and what you did.	Writing task
Aut 2	Going out and staying in • TV/ films/music • Past event- film/ concert • Book/film review • Plans for next weekend	Writing task
Spr 1	Routine and Health • Talk about daily routine and mealtimes- present and past • Eating habits- healthy and unhealthy diet • Future plans for a healthy lifestyle. • Illnesses and injuries	Mid Year exams: Reading Writing Listening
Spr 2	School and future plans • What you do on a typical day at school (including extra-curricular activities) • Your opinion about school rules • What a grown up you know does for a living. • Discuss ideal jobs and ambitions.	Writing task
Sum 1	Consolidation and revision of previous topics • Holidays • Going and staying in • Routine and Health • School and future plans	Speaking Exam
Sum2	Assessment and consolidation • Revision of prior learning in preparation for EoY assessments • Review and consolidation	UL Common assessments in Listening, Reading, and Writing

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In Year 9 students will continue to develop their linguistic skills and will be introduced to a greater variety of verb tenses and grammar points. It is also in Year 9 when students are exposed to more cultural elements. This is most apparent in their study of Hispanic festivals, for example the Day of the Dead in Mexico and La Tomatina in Spain.

Term	Focus	Assessment
Aut 1	Family relationships - Describing family members - Describing your relationship with different family members - Discussing what you do with your family and when (3 time frames)	Extended Writing Task
Aut 2	Festivals and traditions - Food - Festivals celebrated in French/Spanish-speaking countries - Comparisons between festivals in the UK and French/Spanish speaking countries	Extended Writing Task
Spr 1	City or region in a French/Spanish speaking country - Describe the area where you live and give your opinion - A French/Spanish speaking place you would like to visit and why - An interesting visit/day out/excursion you have recently done - Compare a French/Spanish speaking area with where you live	Mid Year exams: Reading Writing Listening
Spr 2	The world around us (environmental issues and solutions, human rights etc.) - Describe the environmental problems in your region - Solutions - Problems in the past - Opinion about fair trade/volunteering/charity fundraising/helping others	Speaking Exams
Sum 1	Consolidation and revision of previous topics - Family relationships - Festivals and traditions - City or region in a French/Spanish speaking country - The world around us	Extended Writing Task
Sum2	Assessment and consolidation - Revision of prior learning in preparation for EoY assessments - Review and consolidation	UL Common assessments in Listening, Reading, and Writing.

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- Weekly online vocabulary learning.

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OVERVIEW

The new GCSE course is split up into six broad thematic contexts: • My personal world • Lifestyle and wellbeing • My neighbourhood • Media and technology • Studying and my future • Travel and tourism

Over the course of Y10, students will practise all four skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) in the context of the different thematic contexts.

Term	Focus	Assessment
Aut 1	Lifestyle, Media, and Technology	Reading, Listening, and Writing
Aut 2	My personal world	Reading, Listening, and Writing
Spr 1	Lifestyle and wellbeing	Reading, Listening, and Writing
Spr 2	Lifestyle and wellbeing	Reading, Listening, and Writing
Sum 1	Study and future plans	Reading, Listening, and Writing
Sum2	Assessment and consolidation	Mock GCSE Papers (All elements, including speaking exam)

Home Learning:

- Weekly online vocabulary learning.
- Grammar based written tasks or reading tasks

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Over the course of Y11, students will practise all four skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) in the context of the different thematic contexts.

Term	Focus	Assessment
Aut 1	• Travel and Tourism	Extended Writing Task
Aut 2	• My neighbourhood + Global issues	Mock GCSE Papers (All elements, including speaking exam)
Spr 1	• My neighbourhood + Global issues	Extended Writing Task
Spr 2	• Revision	Mock GCSE Papers (All elements, including speaking exam)
Sum 1	• Revision + Speaking Exams	Practice Papers and 1-1 speaking practice
Sum2	• Revision and final GCSE exams	

Home Learning:

- Weekly online vocabulary learning.
- Grammar based written tasks or reading tasks

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