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# MFL

Curriculum Newsletter

## YEAR 10

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# Curriculum Intent

The MFL curriculum is designed to empower students to draw maximum cultural, personal and economic benefit from the role of global citizenship.

Through oracy skills, expansion of vocabulary and literacy we aim to enable students to communicate confidently in a wide range of social settings. In KS3 we believe that our curriculum and enrichment content promote a seamless transition into the GCSE language course.

The MFL curriculum is sequenced to allow knowledge and skills to develop simultaneously and progressively. By revisiting and enhancing key language skills in different settings students develop their ability to recall, analyse and evaluate usage and at the same time build independence and resilience.

## Year 10 Curriculum

In Year 10, students cover a wide range of content linked to the GCSE specification.

We have cycles of different topics which are simultaneously designed to revisit previous learning and build new language acquisition. This enables students to consistently build on previous skills and commit vocabulary to longer term memory.

There are many topics covered in Year 10, strategically designed to aid recall and to further embed vital GCSE vocabulary. All topics have been specifically constructed to give an array of opportunities to develop listening, reading, speaking and writing skills, all with the aim to help students succeed in their final GCSE examinations. You can click on the topics below to explore and access revision tips.

Some of the topics we cover in Year 10 are;

Holidays

Town and Local Area

School Subjects

Teachers

Rules and Opinions

Family, Friends and Relationships

Technology

Free-time and Role-Models

Fluency Skills






## Assessment Points




In Year 10, students are assessed each half-term in class, on a range of skills listening, reading, speaking or writing activities. Students also take sit examinations in listening, reading, speaking and writing.

### Immerse Yourself

#### The Language Gym

-  Vocab Trainer
-  Listening Trainer
-  Get Language Fit!

#### BBC Bitesize GCSE MFL

-  Interactive Homework
-  Study Guides and Videos
-  Independent Study

All of the topics we cover in MFL have sentence builders which contains all the vocabulary students need to succeed in their language lessons.

The sentence builder shows students how to link words into sentences with the added support of English translations.

These resources, along with the language gym online are essential tools that student can use to supplement their language learning and aid revision.

## Test Your Knowledge with Quizlet...

Quizlet's Y10 MFL revision flashcards are a fantastic way to memorise relevant french and spanish terms to help you with your studies. Click on a flag below to start!





# Praise and Reward

Our rewards system can be broadly split into four categories: classroom level, subject level, school level and privilege rewards. We'll focus on classroom and subject rewards here - for more information about our rewards schemes, please see our website.

## CLASSROOM LEVEL REWARDS

**Awarded for:** working hard, taking risks and rising to a challenge, making mistakes and learning from them, helping others, and taking pride in the school community.

**Rewarded by:** praise postcards, positive phone calls to parents/carers, positive text messages home, and lesson based prizes.

## SUBJECT LEVEL REWARDS

**Reward scheme:** Star of the Week, Curriculum Awards (Subject/School Way, Participation, Working with Pride, Embracing the Whole Curriculum), High Flyer, Extra Mile, Most Improved.

**Rewarded by:** names displayed on reward boards, certificates, social media posts.

# Broadening Horizons

In MFL we aim to foster a learning environment supporting students to become global citizens.

Our use of cultural resources interleaved throughout the curriculum, help to bring the language to life in the classroom, creating cultural experiences for all.

Outside of language lessons there are opportunities for students to develop an awareness and love of different cultures. We celebrate European Languages Day, offering different opportunities for students to take part in activities such as quizzes, karaoke and food tasting.

In addition we organise a foreign language live theatre experience with native language speakers, which truly brings language to life in a fun interactive way.



## Onatti Productions

Onatti Productions showcase foreign language theatre and visit our schools for to perform so students can experience theatre in a foreign language. The also produce videos in French and Spanish to sustain students concentration and boost listening confidence. Click on their logo to find out more.

## European Languages Day

As part of Brodening Horizons, we participate in European Languages Day on 26th September. We celebrate the range and diversity of languages spoken throughout Europe by celebrating the languages spoken in our school. Click on the graphic to find out more.





# Careers

We run a series of Careers in the Curriculum Week in February. During MFL lessons, we investigate the topic of communication and satisfaction. This helps to raise students' awareness and understanding of the important skills language learning can add to their employability.

Additionally, we look at careers where speaking another language is advantageous when looking for future job opportunities.

Whether you choose teaching, translating or interpreting, a language degree from Sheffield is a big step towards working in the language industries. Click on the logo below to watch a clip on Modern Languages and Cultures at the University of Sheffield.



## The MFL Way

Our subject has a 'Subject Way' at the heart of it. Our Subject Way is designed to help students become young subject specialists. The MFL Way is followed in all of our lessons and has two main purposes:

Firstly, to teach students the vital skills they need to achieve their full potential and gain the very best grades they can. Secondly, to teach students how each subject relates to the wider world, incorporating the life skills they will learn.

**THE MFL WAY**

**WE USE OUR LISTENING SKILLS**

**We develop social skills using the languages that we learn**

**We break texts down**

**We respect & are interested in other cultures**

**We are interested in & know where languages can take us**

**We understand our own language better**

**WE WORK ON IMPROVING OUR MEMORY**

**We read, listen & watch things in another language**

**We problem solve**

**We use technology to enhance our language learning**

**We learn our vocabulary & use the language we learn**

**We develop confidence in our communication skills in different situations**

**SUBJECT WAYS**

## Have Your Say... ✨

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