# St. Joseph's Catholic High School



Curriculum plan for Modern Foreign	September 2020
Languages	

#### Introduction

Teaching French and Spanish to our students allows us to introduce them to the French and Spanish language and culture. It also broadens their horizons to understand and appreciate people from different countries and cultures.

We aim to promote an atmosphere of tolerance and a curiosity about different countries, their language and their people as well as to encourage a love of learning languages as a means of communication.

Learning a language enhances our students' understanding of their own language, improves thinking skills and develops self-confidence.

## **KS3 French and Spanish**

In Years 7-9, our students start with the basics of the language. As they move through the curriculum, they are introduced to grammatical concepts and useful vocabulary. The grammar and vocabulary are revisited on a regular basis in order to consolidate learning and to improve recall. By the end of Year 9, most students will have studied the past, present and future tenses, will be able to write in complex sentences and will be confident in their spoken language.

# **KS4 French and Spanish**

In Years 10 and 11, we study the AQA syllabus for French and Spanish. The knowledge base gained during KS3 provides a solid foundation for the study of GCSE. We study familiar topics in greater depth and revisit grammatical concepts on a regular basis. Students will be entered either for the Foundation papers (Grades 5-1) or the Higher papers (Grades 9-5). A decision on level of entry will be taken after the mock exams in Year 11.

# Topics covered in each year group

### Year 7 French

#### **Key Topics**

Autumn 1 – Introducing myself

Autumn 2 – Talking about other people

Spring 1 – School

Spring 2 – Hobbies

Summer 1 – My town

Summer 2 - Holidays

# Year 8 Spanish

Autumn 1 – Family and Friends

Autumn 2- My Town

Spring 1 - Holidays

Spring 2 – All about me

Summer 1 – Food and Drink

Summer 2 - Making Plans

#### Year 9 French

Autumn 1 - House and Home

Autumn 2 – Talents and Ambitions

Spring 1 & 2 – Family and Friends

Summer 1 &2 – Free-time Activities

# Year 10 Spanish

Autumn 1 & 2 Revision and Holidays

Spring 1- School

Spring 2- School/ Family and Friends

Summer 1 Family and Friends

Summer 2- Free-time activities

# Year 11 French

Autumn 1 - School and Education

Autumn 2 - Work and Future Plans

Spring 1 - Environmental and Global issues

Spring 2 – Revision and exam skills

#### Year 11 Spanish

Autumn 1 – Towns and Regions

Autumn 2 – Spanish customs and celebrations / Work and Future Plans

Spring 1 - Environmental and global issues

Spring 2 – Revision and exam skills

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