



15<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Language Preference

The Department of Education now expect the majority of students to study a Modern Foreign Language up to GCSE level. This year we introduced Spanish alongside the already established French course. Curriculum time is limited and so we feel it would be advantageous for students to focus on a single language well in advance of starting their GCSE course.

Offering a choice of languages is a new development for us and so we have researched how other schools manage the process. While it is clear many schools assign a language at random on admission, we would like to trial a preferences system. We are therefore asking current year 7 students to tell us which language they would prefer to continue to study. We will use this information to help us with our curriculum planning. This is a trial and so we must be clear that we cannot guarantee all students will continue to study their first-choice preference.

Please discuss this with your child and complete the questionnaire using the link below:

<https://forms.gle/yMWFK1o5ZqWdDYcn6>

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Drake  
Head of French

Mrs Anton  
Head of Spanish