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Dear Parents and Carers,

Language Preference

The Department of Education expect the majority of students to study a Modern Foreign Language up to GCSE level. In recent years 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 relatively new development for us and we have researched how other schools manage the process. While it is clear many schools assign a language at random on admission, we are using 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. The construction of the timetable is complex 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/2RQnLyTRPTn6YdubA>

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Drake
Head of French



Mrs Anton
Head of Spanish