



20th May 2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

LANGUAGE OPTIONS FOR YEAR 8: 2021-2022

In Year 7, students have studied French and have had taster lessons in Latin. They have also had a term of the following languages: German, Mandarin and Spanish.

In Year 8, your child will study **TWO** foreign languages. Students can choose from:

FRENCH, GERMAN, LATIN, MANDARIN AND SPANISH.

If your child wishes to study three languages at Key Stage 3, and we have sufficient numbers, we will offer optional lunchtime masterclasses in French, German, Mandarin and Spanish. The weekly lunchtime masterclass is an excellent way to learn a further language.

This year students, with the support of their parent or carer, will make their language choices electronically using Microsoft Forms. Please use the link or QR code below to access the form. Year 7 students have also been sent the link in Microsoft Teams today.

[Language Choices for Year 8 Form](#)

Please complete the form with your child indicating their language preferences by 17th June.

We shall try to meet choices as far as possible, but if one language is heavily oversubscribed then some students may be allocated to another language. It would be helpful if you could indicate any additional reason why your child would like to take a particular language, for example if you have relatives in China, France, Germany, Spain etc.

If you have any questions on the language options process, please contact Miss Schwaiger, teacher in charge of Key Stage 3 MFL by e-mail (j.schwaiger@durhamjohnston.org.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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