KEY STAGE 4

SPANISH

Teacher in Charge

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What course do I follow?

AQA GCSE SPANISH 8692

Why should I take a language?

- GCSE Languages can help some of you gain the English Baccalaureate and support progression into most higher education courses
- Language learning can support career opportunities in an ever-increasing global job market, especially those that have an international dimension
- A GCSE language course is ideal for students who have enjoyed their KS3 language classes
- A GCSE language course will also benefit students who wish to improve their communication skills; become more independent and confident; and appreciate and understand important foreign cultures.

What and how will I study?

- The GCSE course focuses on practical communication in Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing and builds on topics covered at Key Stage 3
- This specification has a slimmed down vocabulary list compared to previous specifications.
- In Listening and Reading, students will learn to understand and respond to information from announcements, conversations, adverts, letters, news items, instructions, notices, brochures, magazines, emails and websites
- In Speaking, students will develop the skills of sustaining a conversation in answer to questions in which they must express opinions and reasons and describe situations
- In Writing, students will develop the ability to use their chosen language creatively to produce a variety of types of writing, matching language to purpose, audience and context
- There is also a strong emphasis on gaining an understanding of the wider world, including the lifestyles and cultures of other people in a variety of the countries where the language is spoken including a brand new topic called “Celebrity Culture”.
- To make sure you get a good result, you will need to complete homework on a regular basis. You will always need to learn new vocabulary and structures as part of your homework. In addition, you will be set Reading, Writing and Speaking assignments or be asked to practise what you have learnt on various websites that we use.

Details of Examination and Assessment

Students must be entered for all of the four skills at either Foundation or Higher level.

Each exam is worth 25%.