

25 September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Year 11 Spanish

The MFL department have been working on a plan to ensure we are able to fully support your child in achieving their potential in Spanish.

At the moment, the classes in Year 11 Spanish are not set according to ability and the students in each class are accessing a wide range of scores. We propose changing the classes to create 2 sets; 1 class of students who are achieving grade 6/7+ with a view of preparing those students in this class for achieving grade 8/9 and a second class of students whose data suggests they should also be aiming for higher tier work but whose Year 10 mock and class work shows them presently underperforming. We feel that this change would allow each student to flourish as we are able to deliver an individualised learning plan, catering for the needs of each student.

To ensure we are setting according to the most updated information; we will be completing an in-class assessment on Monday 2 October. This assessment will include questions from all 4 components of the exam at overlap and higher tier. This will help us evidence where exactly your child needs extra support as we prepare for the GCSE exam and aspire for excellence. Students will be provided with revision materials highlighting key strategies to success which we encourage them to use to prepare for this in-class assessment.

Please let me take the opportunity now to reassure you that our intention is to prepare all students for the higher tier exam, we do not wish to create a foundation group, although foundation entry will be considered for students where we deem it necessary. This will be clearly discussed with students and parents/carers in February.

If you would like to discuss this any further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



**Mrs. S Marshall**  
Director of MFL