FRENCH

Pupil year: Upper 4 (Yr 9)

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

As well as being taught to cope with more demanding comprehension material relating to healthy living, holiday experience and modern media, girls are also encouraged to write with greater sophistication using a range of tenses and linking words.

Subject / Topic

- Parts of the body and illnesses
- Healthy living and food
- Holiday experience
- Media and culture

Grammar

- The expressions with avoir and être
- The partitive articles
- The adverbs of time
- Using verbs in the infinitive
- The perfect tense for regular and irregular verbs
- The Imperfect tense for opinions and descriptions
- The relative pronouns
- The prepositions
- The modal verbs
- The adjective agreement and position

Skills / Attitudes

• Learning to reuse language that we have heard or read adapting it in new contexts for different purposes

Teachers in Charge: Mrs C. Smith, Mrs I. Powell

- Learning to write clearly and accurately, including an appropriate level of detail and sophistication
- Learning strategies to deal with unfamiliar language

GERMAN

Pupil year: Upper 4 (Yr 9)

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

Apart from the everyday practical topics such as shopping and travel, we learn how to give our opinions the GCSE topics of attitudes to money and part time jobs.

Subject / Topic

Autumn	Daily routine
Autumn	Festivals and celebrations
Spring	The media
Spring	Health and fitness
Summer	Environment
Summer	Future Plans

Skills / Attitudes

• Learning to use previous knowledge, context and other clues to work out the meaning of what we hear or read

Head of Department: Mr D O'Neill

• Learning to deal with unfamiliar language, unexpected responses and unpredictable situations in GCSE level comprehension material

Grammar

- Modal verbs
- The Perfect Tense in full
- Subordinating Conjunctions

GREEK

Pupil year: Upper 4 (Yr 9)

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

This introductory course to Ancient Greek runs as a lunch time activity. It provides a thorough grounding in the language whilst introducing Greek gods, myths and fables.

Subject / Topic

Language: become familiar with the following for translation:

- The alphabet
- The definite article
- Group 1 and 2 nouns
- Simple case usage
- Group 1 and 2 Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Tenses: present, future, imperfect, weak and strong aorist
- The verb 'to be' (present and imperfect tenses)
- The Imperative and Infinitive
- Compound verbs
- Punctuation
- Questions
- Vocabulary

Background:

- Gods and heroes
- Aesop's fables

Skills / Attitudes

- Ability to recognise Greek alphabet and read from Greek text
- Basic translation skills in simple sentences inside and outside of a general context
- Derivation skills, especially in technical vocabulary
- Appreciation of different customs & practices of a culture from a different era

Head of Department: **Dr L Keen**

SPANISH

Pupil year: Upper 4 (Yr 9)

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

We work to develop our conversation for everyday situations whilst at the same time consolidating our understanding of previously practiced grammar.

Subject / Topic

- Talking about food and mealtimes
- Eating out and shopping for food
- Talking about healthy food
- Clothes shopping
- Talking about clothes and attitudes to fashion
- Tourism: what there is for people to do in your area
- A study of a Spanish speaking area
- Talking about holidays in the past and future tense

Grammar

- The present tense in full
- Comparisons
- Impersonal verbs
- The immediate future tense
- The preterite tense

Skills / Attitudes

• Identifying patterns in the target language

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• Developing speaking skills