

CURRICULUM INTENT

We aim to develop a sustained love of language learning by exploring Hispanic customs, therefore deepening all students understanding and appreciation of the world around them.

The MFL curriculum provides all students with the opportunity to develop the essential skills and knowledge to become proficient in Spanish. Through a rich and varied curriculum, students develop necessary skills required to be able to communicate for a range of different purposes and contexts, with accuracy and fluency.

Our aim is that through learning a modern foreign language, students will be able to enrich their life experiences with new connections in other countries and increased opportunities for work and travel.

THE AVANTI WAY

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE



CHARACTER FORMATION



SPIRITUAL INSIGHT



Teachers and students are inspired and joyful. Consequently, high levels of engagement and progress are evident in classroom and beyond.

High standards for learning and curriculum design ensure students are able to work towards a sense of mastery in all four skill areas.

The processes which guide students to be proficient in another language means that they routinely listen, reflect and internalise new language structures before producing and independently putting into practice what they have learned.

A challenging and supportive learning environment in MFL allows students to develop key Avanti Fields learner skills and qualities.

Through learning another language and studying its culture and customs, students are given further opportunities to develop personal insight, tolerance and an appreciation of the wider world.

PROGRAMME OF STUDY

The GCSE Spanish specification is designed to ensure the assessments are clear and accessible, with a range of topics which aim to expand students’ cultural knowledge.

Students will be tested in listening, reading, speaking and writing and will develop transferable skills, relevant to further study and the world of work. The range of topics within the specification aim to inspire students who are interested in Spanish culture and Spanish speaking countries.

Students studying the GCSE Spanish course will have three lessons timetabled per week in Year 10 and 11. Throughout the two years, students will learn key vocabulary, structures and high frequency language for all skills and themes. All students will study a range of interesting topics and are consistently supported with a range of appropriate resources and online learning to enhance language acquisition, retention and retrieval.

Higher /Foundation GCSE

This course is divided into four skills: writing, reading, speaking and listening. All four skills are examined separately. All students will sit a final exam in each of the four skills.

Speaking exam 25% - April / May of year 11	
Higher tier 10 – 12 minutes	Foundation tier 7 – 9 minutes
Listening exam 25 %	
Higher tier 45 minutes	Foundation tier 35 minutes
Reading exam 25 %	

Higher tier 1 hour	Foundation tier 45 minutes
Writing exam 25 %	
Hour tier 1 hour 15 minutes	Foundation tier 1 hour

YEAR 10 TOPICS	EXTRA DETAILS
Self, family & friends Free time activities Technology in everyday life	The present tense revision The present continuous tense Comparatives Emphatic adjectives Modal verbs
Home, town, neighbourhood and region	The preterit tense The immediate future tense Verb structures
Life at school and college Jobs, career choices and ambitions	The simple future tense The imperfect tense The conditional tense Superlatives Adverbs
Travel and tourism Regions of Spain	Using the preterit and imperfect tenses together
Food, health and eating out	The perfect tense The subjunctive
YEAR 11 TOPICS	EXTRA DETAILS
Customs and festivals	The pluperfect tense Exam practice
Marriage and partnerships	Revision of all tenses Verb structures Exam practice
Poverty and homelessness Charity and voluntary work	Revision of all tenses Verb structures Exam practice
The environment	Revision of all tenses Verb structures Exam practice
Exam practice and revision of all 4 skills	Revision of all tenses, grammar and vocabulary Exam practice

ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK

Students will have weekly vocabulary tests. There will be end of unit and half termly assessments in the topics of study. Each time, students will be assessed in all 4 skill areas. Feedback will be given via a feedback form, and we work closely with the GCSE mark scheme so that students make the necessary progress.

EXAM BOARD AND AQA USEFUL WEBSITES

EXAM BOARD: AQA

SPECIFICATION: 8698F – Foundation paper

SPECIFICATION: 8698H – Higher paper

The AQA website has past papers, mark schemes and the specification all free to download.

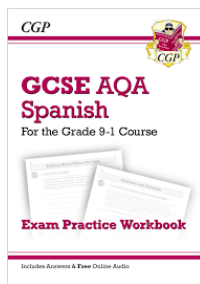
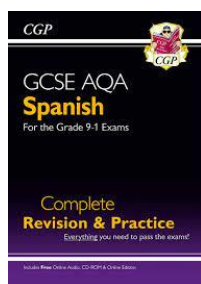
<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/spanish-8698/assessment-resources>

SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

1. Use the revision guides and workbooks

CGP GCSE AQA Spanish Complete Revision and Practice

CGP GCSE AQA Spanish Exam Practice Workbook



2. Follow the links for useful revision websites

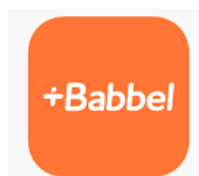
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/spanish>

<http://oye.languageskills.co.uk/intermediate/year10.html>

<https://getrevising.co.uk/resources/level/gcse/subjects/spanish>

3. Download the free Apps on your phone or any other device

Free Apps – Duolingo and Babbel



4. Visit the Oak National academy website



<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-4/subjects/spanish>

EXTRA-CURRICULAR / SUPER-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

Spanish study club: Open to all students to gain further support with their homework, classwork or revision.