

# French, German and Spanish GCSE



'Developing caring, confident and creative students who **achieve excellence**'

# Modern Foreign Languages GCSE



As the hub school for foreign languages in East Sussex, member of the Mandarin for Excellence Programme and International Schools Award winner, we are proud of our reputation for achieving excellent GCSE results.

# French GCSE

Suitable for: All students who have studied French in Years 7 -9.

The course covers three contexts:

1. Identity and Culture
2. Local, national, international and global areas of interest
3. Current and future study and employment

The course enables you to develop your language skills in a variety of contexts and build on work already done at KS3. It also prepares you for further study at A Level and for the world of work.

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Course assessment: Listening, speaking, reading, writing - all assessed by terminal examination, worth 25% each.



**French Toast**  
(Prepared by a pupil from  
Ratton School as part of a food  
culture challenge)

# German GCSE

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**Apfelkuchen**

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# Spanish GCSE

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**Tortilla Española**  
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# Mandarin GCSE

Suitable for: All students who have studied Mandarin in Years 7 -9.

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Annual China Town trip –  
Chinese New Year 2023



# 10 reasons to study a foreign language at GCSE



1. If you ever move, or even travel, abroad you will be able to talk with local people and get so much more from the experience.
2. You may need the language for your work in the UK or abroad.
3. You may wish to study abroad one day.
4. You may just enjoy using different sounds and words. It's fun.
5. It will make you seem clever – people think learning languages is hard!
6. Maybe you do not want to look stupid when you meet non-English speakers.
7. You may like to understand songs, films or stories in the original language.
8. Perhaps you want to have an advantage over others in the job market.
9. Research shows learning languages often make you more clever in other areas of study.
10. You will become a more tolerant and rounded person.





**Jonathan Ross = French + German**



**Gwyneth Paltrow = Spanish**



**Gary Lineker = Spanish + Japanese**



**Paula Radcliffe = German and French**



**JK Rowling = French and Spanish**



**Chris Martin = Greek and Latin**

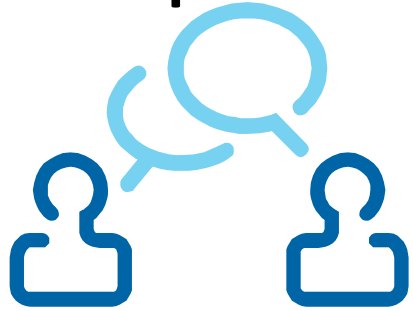


**Arsène Wenger = English, Spanish, German**





“Most employers do not require complete fluency.”



“Modern linguists earn more than graduates from any other discipline except medics, architects and pharmacologists.”

“They want conversational ability, which will give a good impression, help to build relationships and make new contacts.”



(Extracts from a House of Lords Debate on learning foreign languages)