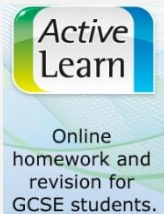


MFL Department

Year 11 This Term

As the exams are fast approaching, the MFL team have organized a week by week programme of study to ensure that your child is best prepared for their examinations. Please encourage your child to revise vocabulary little and often over the course of the next few months in preparation for their exams. Below is a list of the modules that the curriculum covers:

- **Holidays and Travel**
- **School, study and further education**
- **New technology**
- **Family and relationships**
- **Free time and leisure**
- **Home and local area**
- **Environment**
- **Health**
- **Festivals, food and traditions**



All pupils have access to the Activelearn facility, which provides them with online textbooks, lists of vocabulary to revise, and tasks which they can complete online.

www.pearsonactivelearn.com

Teachers will set homework weekly via the Activelearn facility in line with the programme of study in class. Completing homework, and independent revision will best support your child for their upcoming examinations.

April's 30 Day Revision Challenge

Pupils this week have been given a 30 day revision challenge for the month of April. The aim is to encourage pupils to revise little and often and cover a bank of high frequency vocabulary. Pupils will complete the short task for each day, and if unable to do so, will need to revise the appropriate vocabulary to complete the task. Your support and involvement with this task would be fantastic. A copy of the chart will be available on the website. Deadline for completion 30/4/2018



Upcoming Events

April 19

Spanish and French Intervention Sessions – 14:45 – 15:45

“Spontaneous Speech Techniques”

April 26

Spanish and French Intervention Sessions – 14:45-15:45

“Success with the Role play and Photo Cards”

April 30

Start of Official GCSE Speaking Examinations

May 4

Final day of Speaking Examinations

May 15

French Listening Examination

French Reading Examination

May 18

French Writing Examination

June 6

Spanish Listening Examination

Spanish Reading Examination

June 14

Spanish Writing Examination



What can students do at home to improve?

Revision Tips and interesting websites for language learners

1) Read Foreign Newspapers Online

By immersing themselves in the language, pupils will quickly adapt to the skill of reading for gist, and also expose themselves to high frequency vocabulary and authentic texts

- CNN español/ CNN france
- Google News España/ Google news France
- BBC Mundo/BBC Monde



2) Read Children's Books in Spanish or French

A familiar story of parallel text in the target language, will often help pupils to elicit meaning of new words, whilst revising key vocabulary from earlier years of language study in school.



- Short Spanish Stories and Fables
<https://www.mundoprimary.com/cuentos-infantiles-cortos/>
- Short French Stories and Fables
<https://www.iletaitunehistoire.com/>

3) Listen to Spanish Podcasts

Similar to radio talk shows, you can easily find free podcasts online. You can listen to podcasts produced by native speakers for native speakers.

Simply go the iTunes store, scroll to the bottom of the screen, in the fourth column, Management select "Change Country".

Scroll back up and select "Podcasts". Then comes the fun part: Browse through the various categories and "top podcasts" from that particular country, and listen to a podcast that looks interesting to you!

4) YouTube and Music

There is an abundance of Spanish and French music on YouTube, and so easy to find. Simply, search for the phrases "canciones españolas" or "chansons françaises" and listen away. You can even add subtitles if you want to look further into it.



5) Netflix and Films

Again, like with the music, the internet has given us access to a wealth of foreign cinema. Some great films and documentaries available on Netflix and on YouTube are great for revising away from a textbook. You could try out the following authentic films (or you could just add subtitles to your favourite TV show or film in the target language!

- Messi (A Netflix documentary on Lionel Messi)
- Les vacances de Petit Nicolas (A comedy about a little French boy's holidays)
- Viva Cuba (A tale of two young Cuban children)
- Le petit prince (a classic adaptation of the book)

Progress Stars

Recently pupils have completed mock examinations in French and Spanish. There has been some excellent progress made by pupils and the department would like to show special recognition to the following pupils, who have shown outstanding progress in their mock examinations. Keep up the good work.

11A – Spanish

Ali Arshad

Megan Clancy

Harry Reilly

Selina Colman

Kamile Katinaite

11B – Spanish

Tobias Leech

Abianne Johnson

Hashim Ali

Bronte Littlewood

11D – Spanish

Ella Beech

Joel Garbutt

Franck Deacon

Ben Tedder

11A – French

Alex Draghici

Lewis Blamire

Sophie Woodcock

If you have any questions or queries, regarding revision or resources to help your child further, please do not hesitate to contact the MFL department