SWEYNE PARK

Modern Foreign Languages GCSE

Both pathways French, EBacc pathway German

What is Modern Foreign Languages?

Modern Foreign Languages is the study of human communication. If you enjoy communicating with other people, finding out how language works and learning about different countries and cultures you will enjoy this course.

Course Content

We are committed to instilling in pupils a sense of the value, importance and pleasure of learning languages and to ensuring maximum pupil achievement. The topics covered include family and friends, relationships, equality, physical well-being, school, future opportunities and social media and gambling. Pupils' language skills continue to be developed in the four key areas tested at GCSE – speaking, listening, reading and writing. The course encourages pupils to use the language creatively and to acquire a useful level of competence in real-life situations. It also promotes language / cultural awareness and an understanding of grammar.

Assessment:

Listening, Reading and Writing are assessed by final examination at either Foundation or Higher tier. They are worth 25% each. There will also be a speaking test at the end of Year 11. This is also worth 25% of the final grade.

Trips, Resources and other opportunities:

Pupils will use a wide range of resources, including authentic materials from the relevant country, audio-visual aids and interactive websites.

Pupil Quotes:

"Taking a language is a good idea because not only does it help you in universities, jobs and travelling, it also helps you understand your own language better and understand where words come from."

"Learning a language is highly respected in higher education; it shows that you are determined, enthusiastic, selfreliant and clever."

"Taking a language shows an array of skills from sociability to a hard-working attitude. A language would improve your CV greatly, therefore making it easier to get a job."

Subject Leader: Tania Dickens

Exam Board:

Subject:	Board:	Syllabus Code:	Examination/NEA/Coursework
GCSE French	Pearson Edexcel	1FR1	Exam & Oral
GCSE German	Pearson Edexcel	1GN1	Exam & Oral