

Why do we teach Modern Foreign Languages?

Language is power and how we use it defines us.

We believe that language learning is not only important for communication, but also for developing empathy and an understanding of different cultures. By fostering cultural competence and literacy, we know that we can help our students become responsible global citizens who are equipped to navigate the complexities of our everchanging world.

What do we teach in Modern Foreign Languages?

The topics of study are carefully selected to reflect the interests of our learners and sequenced so that our students are provided with a curriculum that is balanced, meaningful and enjoyable.

Students will:

- Develop language awareness (how to manipulate and use language effectively and appropriately)
- Learn how to engage in conversations and communicate with others
- Develop skills in translating written texts and interpreting spoken language
- Explore the culture, literature and history of the target language countries

How do we teach Modern Foreign Languages? (Key concepts and skills)

We provide students with the necessary skills to become successful, independent language learners that are able to communicate confidently and fluently in the classroom and beyond.

We do this by:

- Exploring how language works through grammar and phonology (the relationship with sounds and spelling)
- Developing language learning skills (including memorisation and repair strategies)
- Using a variety of evidence/research-based pedagogies in second language acquisition
- Providing challenge and scaffolding
- Creating a supportive environment where students are encouraged to take risks to develop their language skills to the best of their abilities and build resilience

How is Modern Foreign Languages personalised for our learners?

A wide variety of teaching approaches are used to maximise language learning and build confidence in speaking. Language lessons at FHS are tailored to the preferred learning styles of our students. We know our students enjoy learning language through dynamic and communicative activities such as role plays, games, music and debates for example. Our students are particularly interested in the culture and the history where the target languages are spoken.

Many of our students are multilingual and their knowledge of another language provides all FHS students with opportunities to reflect on their own culture and a deeper appreciation for the cultural diversity within our school community. We endeavour to provide opportunities for students to use their language learning beyond the classroom through educational visits.



Year 7 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (Viva 1)	Topic: Viva 1, Modulo 1 (p8-18) ¿Cómo te llamas? (Introducing yourself)	Topic: V1, M2 (p32-42) Mi tiempo libre (My hobbies)	Topic: V1, M3 (p60-66) Mi insti (My school)	Topic: V1, M4 (p80-90) Mi familia y mis amigos (My family)	REVISION & EOY prep Topic: start V1, M5 (p104-114) Mi ciudad (My town)	Topic: finish V1, M5 (p104-114) Mi ciudad (My town)
Key concepts & skills	> Age > Personality > Siblings, > Birthday > Pets > Grammar: > adjectives, "tener" and "ser", > Numbers 9 0-31) > Alphabet-phonics Cultural option: Black History Month	 ➢ Hobbies ➢ spare time activities ➢ weather ➢ sports Grammar: ➢ "ar" verbs, ➢ "me gusta", ➢ "cuando", "hacer & jugar" Cultural option: El día de los muertos-Day of the Dead; Christmas traditions 	 Subjects Giving opinions and justification Describing teachers Break time activities Extracurricular activities Grammar: "ar" verbs, me gusta, articles 	Family members- different types of family structure Describing friends Grammar: "er/ir" verbs, Possessives, "ser/estar, "tener" Grammar: Cultural option: Ramadan (avoid food topics)	 Revise all topics Exam skills Describing my town telling time Grammar: "a/some/many" "ir" "querer" near future tense 	 ➢ Ordering in a café ➢ weekend plans ☐ Grammar: ➢ "querer" ➢ near future tense ☐ Cultural extra: Los países hispanohablantes
Summative Assessment	Baseline Assessment: Reading & Writing (GCSE style 40 word)	Assessment: Reading in HT2	Assessment: Listening in HT3	Assessment: Speaking HT4		Summative Assessment: End of Year: Writing (GCSE style 40 word) + Reading
Builds on	(Any experience of language learning in primary school)	Numbers, opinions	Opinions, Activities	Personality, age	Numbers, opinions	Asking questions
Builds towards	Family	Hobbies, free time (Y8, Y9, GCSE)	School (GCSE)	Family (GCSE)	My area (Y9, GCSE)	Y8, Y9 and GCSE Spanish



Year 8 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (Viva 2)	Topic: Viva 2, Module 1 (p6-15) Mis vacaciones My holidays	Topic: V2, M2 (p28-37) Todo sobre mi vida All about my life (hobbies/free time)	Topic: V2, M3 (p52-63) ¡A comer! Eating & parties	Topic: V2, M4 (p76-87) ¿Qué hacemos? Going out	Revision of Y8 content & skills; Topic: start V2, M5 (p28-37) Operación verano Summer holidays	EoY Assessment; Topic: finish V2, M5 (p28-37) Operación verano Summer holidays
Key concepts & skills	 past holiday activities you did opinions of holiday (past) Grammar: preterite "ir" preterite regular "-ar" verbs preterite of "ser" Cultural options: Black History Month; Día de los muertos 	 using a mobile music likes TV what you did yesterday Grammar: present tense range of opinions comparatives using present + preterite Cultural option: Christmas traditions 	 food likes mealtimes ordering meals shopping for parties describing parties Grammar: wider range of opinions negatives using formal "usted" near future ("ir + a" + INF) using three tenses 	 ➤ making plans to go out ➤ making excuses ➤ getting ready to go out Grammar: ➤ "me gustaría" + INF ➤ "querer" + "poder" ➤ reflexive verbs Cultural option: Ramadan (avoid food topics) 	 describing holiday accommodation Grammar: more on comparatives 	 holiday activities asking directions summer camps holiday destinations (118) Grammar: the superlative the imperative more on using three tenses Cultural option: create tourist brochure for an Hispanic country
Summative Assessment	Baseline Assessment: Reading & Writing (GCSE style 40 word)	Assessment: Reading	Assessment: Listening	Assessment: Speaking	Assessment: Reading	Summative Assessment: End of Year: Writing (GCSE style 40 word) + Reading
Builds on	Y7 Spanish content & skills, Travel	Likes/dislikes	Food	Travel/holidays	My holidays	Summer holidays
Builds towards	Going out, Travel/Holidays (GCSE)	Going out, Free time, GCSE	Going out, Free time, GCSE	Going out, Holidays GCSE	Summer holidays, GCSE	Year 9 and GCSE Spanish



Year 9 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (Viva 3 Rojo)	Topic: V3, M1 (p8-18) Somos asi (My hobbies)	Topic: V3, M2 (p32-42) ¡Oriéntate! (The world of work)	Topic: V3, M3 (p56-66) En forma (Healthy living)	Topic: V3, M4 (p80-90) Jóvenes en acción (Youth in action)	REVISION; Topic: V3, M5 (p104- 112) Una Aventura en Madrid (An adventure in Madrid)	Topic: V3, M5 (p104- 112) Una Aventura en Madrid (An adventure in Madrid)
Key concepts & skills	 ➢ Hobbies ➢ my week ➢ Films ➢ Birthdays ➢ Celebrities <u>Grammar</u>: ➢ Tenses (all 3) 	 At work Dream jobs Describing jobs Grammar: "tener que", Adjectival agreement, Importance of Languages (GCSE options) 	 Healthy diet Being active Daily routine Getting fit, Ailments and illness Grammar: pronouns, irregular verbs, reflexive verbs, "se debe", "me duele" 	 Children's rights The environment Fair trade Grammar: "poder", "se deberia", Imperfect tense Debating skills 	➤ REVISION: reading and writing (exam technique/revisión of key topic vocabulary and gramatical structures) ➤ Meeting people ➤ Future plans Grammar: ➤ "tener", ➤ Superlative, ➤ Comparative	 Future plans Buying souvenirs Cultural projects: Las fiestas en el mundo hispanohablante (festivals in spanish speaking countries) Música (music) Grammar: Simple future tense, Reading longer texts
Summative Assessment	Baseline Writing – GCSE style 40 word	Reading	Listening	Speaking	Practice for EoY: in-class Writing	End of Year: Writing (GCSE style 90 word) + Reading
Builds on	(Year 8 Knowledge)	School	Food	Childhood/family	Going out	Festivals (Christmas)
Builds towards	Future plans	Future plans, Daily routine, GCSE	Health, GCSE	Social problems GCSE	Future plans, GCSE	Starting GCSE Spanish



Year 10 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (Viva GCSE Higher/ Foundation)	Topic: ¡ <i>Desconéctate!</i> (<i>Holidays</i>), Module 1	Topic: Mi vida en el insti (My life at school), Module 2	Topic: Mi gente (Relationships), Module 3	Topic: Intereses y influencias (Free time), Module 4	REVISION + EXAM SKILLS; Topic: Ciudades (My area) Module 5	REVISION + EXAM SKILLS; Topic: Ciudades (My area) Module 5
Key concepts & skills	 Orientation + reminder of KS3 basics Describing holidays: summer activities, accommodation, booking, problems, last holiday Grammar: three tenses opinion verbs preterite tense "usted" Cultural option: Black History Month 	 ➢ School: subjects, ➢ facilities, ➢ uniform and daily routine, ➢ rules + problems, ➢ school exchanges, ➢ achievements Grammar: ➢ comparatives + superlatives ➢ justifying opinions ➢ negatives ➢ near future Cultural option: Christmas traditions 	 ➢ Relationships: family, ➢ social networks, ➢ making plans, ➢ reading preferences, ➢ people descriptions, ➢ friends + family Grammar: ➢ adjectival agreement ※ "para" + infinitives ➢ present continuous ➢ range of connectives ➢ "ser" / "estar" 	 ➢ Hobbies + entertainment: free time, ➢ TV + film, ➢ sports, ➢ trending topics, ➢ types of entertainment, ➢ role models Grammar: ➢ "soler" + infinitive ➢ imperfect tense ➢ perfect tense ➢ using varied articles Cultural option: Ramadan (avoid food topics) 	 ➢ REVISION OF CONTENT & SKILLS SO FAR; ➢ Places in town, ➢ directions ➢ Shopping, ➢ features of a region, ➢ local area, ➢ making plans, Grammar: ➢ "se puede/n" ➢ future tense 	 ➤ Exam skills: GCSE assessment preparation for Reading, Listening and Writing full GCSE set ➤ Topic 5:
Summative Assessment	Baseline Assessment: Reading & Listening (topics 1 & 2)	Assessment: Writing (topics 1 & 2)	Assessment: Reading & Listening (topics 3 & 4)	Assessment: Speaking	Summative Assessment: GCSE Papers 1 – 4 (all skills)	
Builds on	KS3 Spanish	School (KS3)	Family (KS3)	Free time (KS3)	My area (KS3)	My area (KS3)
Builds towards	My area	Daily routine (Y11)	Festivals and traditions (Y11)	Festivals and traditions (Y11)	Environment and local problems (Y11)	Year 11 GCSE and KS5 Spanish



Year 11 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1
Key content (Viva GCSE Higher/ Foundation)	Recap Topic: <i>Ciudades (My area),</i> Module 5	Topics: De costumbre, (Daily life and festivals) Module 6; ¡A currar! (World of work), Module 7	Topic: <i>Hacia un mundo mejor</i> (<i>The wider world</i>), Module 8	Recap modules 7 & 8 REVISION + EXAM SKILLS (EXAM SEASON)	REVISION + EXAM SKILLS (EXAM SEASON)
Key concepts & skills	 ➢ Orientation & recap Y10 key grammar ➢ Recap topic Ciudades (My area) ➢ Cultural extra: Black History Month (October) Start Topic: De costumbre (Daily life and festivals), Module 6 ➢ Mealtimes, ➢ daily routine, ➢ illness + injuries Grammar: ➢ passive voice ➢ reflexive verbs in preterite ➢ absolute superlatives Cultural extra: Black History Month (October) 	 typical foods, ordering in restaurants, special days, music festivals Start topic: ¡A currar!, Module 7 World of work: jobs, career choices, earning money, work experience Grammar: expressions with infinitives imperfect tense preterite "saber" + "conocer" 	 Types of houses, environment, diet-related problems, global problems, local action, healthy lifestyle, sporting events, natural disasters Grammar: present subjunctive mixed tenses pluperfect tense imperfect continuous 	➤ Speaking skills for exam ➤ Fill any content gaps REVISION OF CONTENT & SKILLS SO FAR	REVISION OF CONTENT & SKILLS SO FAR
Summative Assessment	Mock GCSE Paper 2 (SPEAKING)	Mock GCSE Papers 1 (LISTENING), 3 (READING), 4 (WRITING)	GCSE Paper 2 (SPEAKING)	Mock GCSE Papers 1 (LISTENING), 3 (READING), 4 (WRITING)	GCSE Papers 1 (LISTENING), 3 (READING), 4 (WRITING)
Builds on	KS3 and Y10; My area (Y10 and KS3)	Food and Festivals (KS3)	Sports (KS3) Hobbies (Y10)	all KS3 and GCSE	all KS3 and GCSE
Builds towards	KS5	Festivals (KS5)	KS5	KS5	KS5



Year 12 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (A Level Spanish Book 1)	Aspects of Hispanic society: current trends	Aspects of Hispanic society: current trends; Film analysis	Aspects of Hispanic society: current trends; Artistic culture in the Hispanic world; Film analysis	Artistic culture in the Hispanic world; Film analysis; Independent Research Project (IRP)	Artistic culture in the Hispanic world; Film analysis; Independent Research Project (IRP)	REVISION of Year 12 topics; Start Y13 topics (book 2): Immigration, Racism
Key concepts & skills	 Traditional and modern values Social media and technology Cultural option: Black History Month 	 Traditional and modern values Social media and technology Film analysis "Volver" Start: Gender equality Celebrity influence on youth 	 Gender equality Celebrity influence on youth Film analysis "Volver" 	 Gender equality Celebrity influence on youth Film analysis "Volver" Start: Regional traditions vs. modern Spain Cultural heritage and influence of Latin America 	 Regional traditions vs. modern Spain Cultural heritage and influence of Latin America IRP Speaking exam practice Film studied – revision and essay practice 	➤ Revision of all content (topics 1-6 AS + 1-6 A Level) and skills ➤ IRP Start Y13 topics (book 2): ➤ Immigration, ➤ Racism ➤ Literary analysis: "Como agua para chocolate"
Summative Assessment	Mock Paper 1 (modules 1	-2 only)	Mock Paper 1 (modules 1-4 o Mock Paper 2 (film only); Mock Paper 3 (stimulus card	•••	Paper 1, 2, 3 (all Y12 topic	cs)
Builds on	Technology and social media; Family (KS3 and GCSE)	Technology and social media; Family (KS3 and GCSE)	Celebrities and role models (KS3)	Celebrities and role models; The Hispanic world (KS3)	The Hispanic world (KS3)	All Year 12 topics and skills
Builds towards	Gender equality; Celebrity influence (online)	Regional traditions	Regional traditions and Cultural heritage	Regional traditions and Cultural heritage	Racism and Immigration	A Level Spanish year 2; University degrees (skills)



Year 13 Spanish	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key content (A Level Spanish Book 2)	Multiculturalism in Hispanic society; Literary text; Independent Research Project (IRP)	Multiculturalism in Hispanic society; Political life in Hispanic society; Literary text; IRP	Political life in Hispanic society; Literary text; IRP	REVISION	(EXAM SEASON)	(EXAM SEASON)
Key concepts & skills	 Immigration Racism Literary analysis: "Como agua para chocolate" Independent Research Project (IRP) Cultural option: Black History Month 	 Integration Youth engagement in politics Literary analysis: "Como agua para chocolate" Independent Research Project (IRP) 	 Monarchies and dictatorships Political protest Literary analysis: "Como agua para chocolate" Independent Research Project (IRP) 	 Revision of all content (topics 1-6 AS + 1-6 A Level) and skills Independent Research Project Speaking exam practice Film & Literary text studied – revision and essay practice 	 Revision of all content (topics 1-6 AS + 1-6 A Level) and skills Independent Research Project Speaking exam practice Film & Literary text studied – revision and essay practice 	N/A
Summative Assessment	Mock Paper 1, 2, 3	,	Mock Paper 1, 2, 3		Paper 1, 2, 3 (all A Level)	
Builds on	Film studied in year 12; Social problems (GCSE)	Social problems (GCSE)	Politics and youth	All A Level Spanish	All A Level Spanish	N/A
Builds towards	Integration; Politics	Political protest	A LEVEL EXAMS	A LEVEL EXAMS	University Languages degrees or all degrees (research and essay writing skills)	