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Dear Parent/Carer

## Home Languages

As many of you will know, during Languages Week last March, the Modern Languages Department celebrated the great wealth of different languages people speak and understand here at Parmiter's School. We recognise the value of speaking more than one language and are keen to promote this value in our community.

We know that many students study their home language outside of school and some of these students sit a GCSE in that language. Did you know that, as an examination centre, we are generally able to offer our school as a venue for students to sit these Home Language examinations as well?

Attached is a list of the languages currently offered by the AQA and Pearson Edexcel exam boards at GCSE:

[AQA Available Entries and Entry Cost 2025/2026](#)

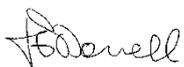
[Pearson Edexcel Available Entries and Entry Cost 2025/2026](#)

Please note, these GCSEs are in addition to the Language GCSE students' study here. French, German or Spanish are part of our KS4 curriculum and cannot be 'replaced' by a Home Language GCSE. However, we do encourage students to engage with their home language. If they are looking to take a GCSE in that language, we advise them to prepare to do this at the end of Year 10. Unfortunately, we cannot offer any tuition in school but, for those languages which have the same general content as the taught languages (French, German and Spanish), having studied the GCSE in those languages helps students understand how to get the best marks possible. It also means that they are not doing an additional examination during their GCSEs at the end of Year 11.

If your child is interested in gaining a GCSE in their home language and you would like them to sit the examination at Parmiter's, then please complete the application form in the first instance and our Examinations Officer, Mrs Hicks, will be in contact with you in due course.

[Additional Language Application Form](#)

Yours sincerely



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