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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 9 Modern Foreign Languages Timetable Change

We write to advise that, after the half term break, we are changing the Year 9 Languages timetable so that students' study only the language they have chosen to continue to GCSE.

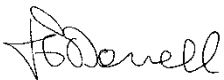
This change will result in students having seven lessons per fortnight in their chosen language. The additional time will help prepare them for the demands of the GCSE course and allow students to immerse themselves in the language and learn more about the culture. Students who have chosen to study two languages to GCSE level will focus on their Spanish or German, but will have two French lessons per fortnight; this will allow them extra time with the language they only began studying in Year 8.

Students will be taught in mixed ability groups for the rest of this term and have a writing assessment in July which, coupled with the results of the listening and reading they did last week, will be used to determine sets for next year. We hope that our students enjoy this chance to focus on their chosen language and take full advantage of the opportunity.

Students will be notified about which classroom they should go to for their lessons after the half term break, via Google calendar.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate email Mr Baker, Deputy Headteacher, (A.Baker@parmiters.herts.sch.uk).

Your sincerely



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