

YEAR 7 LANGUAGE DAY

When?

In the summer term (normally early July)

What?

The day starts with an Assembly in French for all of Year 7. During the assembly, pupils are told the plan for the day, and learn the Lord's prayer in French.

During the day pupils have a variety of lessons all in French, including RE, Science, Maths, PE, History, Art, Business Studies, English & Latin. These lessons are not delivered by the language department, but by willing volunteers from other departments (with the support of language teachers and sixth form language students). The day normally concludes with a theatre production, which is specifically aimed at younger language learners. Pupils are encouraged to use French as much as possible during the day and even tutors join in! Pupils are offered a croissant and a drink at breaktime and at lunchtime a variety of French foods are available at the canteen and Deli bar.

Why?

As a Language College, we are continuously seeking ways in which to promote enjoyment and fun in language learning.

Year 8 Language Day

When?

In the summer term (late May)

What?

Pupils in Year 8 are divided into three groups: a French group, a Spanish group and a German group.

The aim of the day is to explore other countries and regions where these languages are spoken, e.g. the Francophone world, Latin America and German speaking countries. Pupils work in small groups and prepare a Powerpoint presentation about a specific country or region, which is presented to the rest of the group at the end of the day. Pupils are encouraged to use as much target language as possible to present their information, and prizes are on offer for the best work.

Why?

As a Language College, we aim to foster an interest in other cultures amongst our pupils. It is also an opportunity to combine their language learning with their ICT skills.

Menu

There is also a special menu for the day, which features traditional dishes from a range of Spanish, French and German speaking countries. Dishes on offer this year included, French style peas, Fabada beans & Cod, and Pork Goulash with Sauerkraut.

YEAR 9 LANGUAGE DAY

When?

During the Spring term (early March)

What?

This project was initially put into place with the support of Bournemouth University and was first held in 2004. Pupils take on the role of businessmen at a trade fair and need to present their company to delegates. Pupils research their designated company on the internet, and prepare a Powerpoint presentation, which they must later present to other groups. Pupils work in small groups in either French, German or Spanish, and are encouraged to use as much target language as possible on the slides and in the presentation. Prizes are available for the best presentations.

Why?

As pupils in Year 9 will be making their option choices for GCSE, we feel that it is important to show pupils how useful languages can be in the world of work. It is also a good opportunity for pupils to combine their language and ICT skills, and to promote enjoyment in language learning.

Menu

A special Language Day Menu is prepared by the catering team. .