

Week commencing (Monday)	Topic Focus	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri 1.40 – 2.10	Sat
24 Feb	Me, my family and friends		Speaking M28		Grammar & translation M23	Reading and listening M23	
2 nd March	Technology in Everyday life		Grammar & translation M28		Speaking M23	Reading and listening M23	
9 th March	Free time activities		Speaking M28		Grammar & translation M23	Reading and listening M23	
16 th March	Customs and Festivals		Grammar & translation M28		Speaking M23	Reading and listening M23	
23 rd March	Home, town and Region		Speaking M28		Grammar & translation M23	Reading and listening M23	
30 th March	Social Issues		Grammar & translation M28		Speaking M23	Reading and listening M23	
6 th April	TBC – one speaking session						
13 th April	TBC –one speaking session						
20 th April	Global Issues		Speaking M28		Grammar & translation M23	Reading and listening M23	Oral Exam Prep 10.30 – 12.30 TBC
27 th April	Oral Exams		Speaking M28		Speaking M23	Reading and listening M23	Writing Exam Prep 10-30 – 12.30 TBC
4 th May	Travel and Tourism		Grammar & translation M28		Grammar & translation M23	Bank Holiday	
11 th May	L, R & W Exams	L & R Exam	Grammar & translation M28		Writing Exam M23		

February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Please find overleaf an outline of the revision sessions being offered by the MFL Department for French and Spanish in the lead up to your son/daughter's GCSE Examinations.

Revision

We have found in recent years that students who have attended the revision sessions in order to supplement the learning that we do in lessons tend to be more successful in their exams.

We have arranged the sessions so that students can attend at lunchtime or after school (or preferably both). We have also listed the topics of each session in order to help students manage their time and efforts in this busy period.

As you will see, we are also hoping to offer '*Speaking Exam Workshops*' in the Easter holidays. They are a superb opportunity for students to practise their conversation skills. The details of the times of these will be advertised nearer the time. Students who attended similar sessions last year found them hugely beneficial.

Practice Exam Questions

MFL students are examined over four papers; listening, reading, speaking and writing. All the reading and listening past paper questions can be accessed through Google Classroom and students also have access to the mark scheme, examiners report and the transcripts.

Students also have a past paper to hand in after the February half term; this has been uploaded to Google Classroom.

Vocabulary Learning

Students should be doing regular vocabulary learning. Memrise and Quizlet are useful apps to practice all the GCSE specification vocabulary. Additionally they may have purchased CGP vocabulary revision cards through the school.

Additional Mock Speaking Exam

Students are being offered an additional mock speaking exam so that they can receive valuable feedback before the Easter holidays;

The dates are as follows and students have been given their specific times:

11C French (JLO) – Monday 2nd March

11D French (SBR) – Thursday 5th March

11B French (SPC) – Monday 9th March

Students should come prepared to answer questions on all conversations topics. They can revise for this by learning checklist question answers or ensuring that they can answer all the questions in their booklets.

Students should also ensure that they know key verbs in the main tenses: perfect, present and future and some of the WOW phrases from their exercise books.

For this aspect of the exam students can choose the first theme that they are to be questioned on. They must also be prepared to ask the examiner a question, although due to new regulations, this can no longer be at the beginning of the exam as they have done in the previous mock exams.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Bradshaw