Spanish A Level

Subject Leader: Ms Ngami

Syllabus: AQA

Course Specification: 7692

Course Overview
Students study technological and social change, looking at diversity and the benefits it brings. They will study highlights of Spanish-speaking artistic culture, including music and cinema, and learn about political engagement and who wields political power in the Spanish-speaking world. Students also explore the influence of the past on present-day Spanish-speaking communities. Throughout their studies, they will learn the language in the context of Spanish-speaking countries.

Course Requirement
5 GCSEs graded 9 – 5 including English and Maths at grade 5.
Grade 6 in Spanish required.

Year 1
Students will learn about social trends, artistic culture, as well as study the film 'El Laberinto del Fauno'.

Year 2
Students will learn about social issues and political culture, as well as study the book "Requiem por un Campesino Español" to gain a better understanding of what life was like under Franco.

Teaching and Learning Styles
Students will develop the four linguistic skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing via a range of audio, visual and kinaesthetic activities.

They will have access to a range of resources, including digital online resources, authentic spoken and written texts (books, novels, clips from TV, film, and radio).

In addition, there will be regular grammar sessions (both explicit and in context of current topics).

Independent Study
Students will be required to undertake 6 hours per week of independent study to support class learning: this will be logged in their student folders and regularly checked.

Assessment Information
The assessment is formed of three papers:

Paper 1: Listening, reading, and writing. Written exam. 50% of A-level

Paper 2: Writing. Written exam. 20% of A-level

Paper 3: Speaking. Oral exam. 30% of A-level

Future Pathways
Adding a language to your degree will give you the competitive edge to pursue jobs in the global arena.

Spanish has been identified by the Russell Group of top universities as a facilitating subject, meaning that it prepares students for the most challenging academic study. In turn, high level of academic qualifications gives the most choice in the job market. Many employers value the ability to speak and communicate in Spanish, as it is currently the second most widely spoken language world-wide.

