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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Modern Language Choices

As you will be aware, your child has experienced a taster course in French, German and Spanish and the emphasis has been on skills and strategies for language learning. There has been a strong focus on the transferable skills involved in language learning, which will open doors to new experiences and cultures, as well as having a positive impact on student's career prospects.

Students will now specialise in one of the modern languages and this will then be a focus for their studies on through Year 8 and 9 and provide them with the opportunity to continue this at GCSE in Year 10 and 11.

Attached to this letter is the Year 7 Modern Language preference pro-forma. Please could you ensure that this is completed and returned to your child's form tutor by **Thursday 13 December**.

Please be aware that each of the three language choices is a similar academic discipline with core requirements of skills and knowledge and we expect students to continue their study of a foreign language by mastering one language. Therefore, your child may have no specific, preferred choice of language. However, if you feel that there are compelling reasons for your child to pursue a specific language choice, please identify a specific preference of language and the reasons for that preference. Please aware that, due to timetabling and staffing constraints, it may not be possible to accede to this request. If there are any other factors or additional information you would like taken into consideration, please complete the comments box.

Thank you for your support in this process. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Emma Tizard, Head of Teaching & Learning/Modern Languages.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Davies'.

R Davies
Deputy Headteacher

