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### Introduction and Vision

The Modern Foreign Languages Department is committed to providing a meaningful learning experience for all students of Modern Foreign Languages. We aim to equip students with the confidence, lexicon and grammatical foundations to allow them to express their ideas and opinions, to understand information and to respond in the target language. This is enabled through the 3 pillars of phonics, vocabulary and grammar and the 4 key skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing.

We aim to foster students' curiosity and love for learning languages, as well as deepening their understanding of other cultures, especially countries where the chosen language is spoken, through engaging lessons, subject content and extracurricular opportunities which allow them to explore their chosen subject in more detail.

### Key Stage 3

Year 7	Topics covered
Autumn	Greetings, numbers and months, colours, classroom items, family and pets, physical and personality descriptions. This content covers the present tense, adjective agreement and word order, possessive pronouns, opinions, and the key verbs 'to have' and 'to be'.
Spring	Free time activities, weather, where you live and your dream house. This content covers time expressions, comparisons, prepositions, use of 3 <sup>rd</sup> person verbs, definite articles, conditional phrases, different uses of 'to be'.
Summer	Places in town, country vs city life, weekend plans, school including subjects, timetables, school facilities and extra-curricular clubs. This content covers future tense, key verb 'to go', comparatives, the key phrase 'there is/there are' and modal verbs.

Year 8	Topics covered
Autumn	Food and drink, eating out, healthy diet, modes of transport and holidays in the past, present and future tense. This content covers the formal and informal use of 'you', <i>soledad</i> plus infinitive, how to form negative phrases, using intensifiers, the imperative, and how to say you 'used to' go somewhere.
Spring	Social media, internet, tv, cinema and music, fashion, shops and shopping, returning faulty/unwanted goods to a shop and describing your school uniform using 3 tenses. This content also covers transactional language, negative expressions, comparatives, the correct use of the verb 'to be', and the future and conditional tenses.
Summer	Daily routine, relationships with family and friends, and the Spanish speaking world. This content covers reflexive verbs, the imperfect tense, direct object pronouns and irregular verbs in the conditional tense.

Year 9	Topics covered
Autumn	Family, friends, relationships and future plans. This content covers adjective agreement, direct and indirect object pronouns, reflexive

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	verbs, future tense, use of adverbs of frequency, giving opinions and how to extend sentences.
Spring	In this unit students will analyse the advantages and disadvantages of technology and social media. This content covers the perfect tense, the use of verbs with prepositions, formulating questions, working out the meaning of unfamiliar words from context and tips for translating into English.
Summer	Free time activities, eating out and sports. This content covers revising the present and future tense, and how to recognise irregular verbs in the future tense, the use of adverbs and pronouns, and improving listening techniques.

#### Key Stage 4 – exam board

Year 10	Topics covered
Autumn	Customs and festivities in the Spanish speaking world, and festivals in Spain. This content covers expressing actions and opinions, the past perfect of the key verbs 'to have' and 'to do', revision of numbers, the imperfect tense, the future tense, skim reading for information and how to describe a photo.
Spring	Where you live, types of houses, comparisons between living in the city and the countryside, voluntary work, charities and healthy and unhealthy lifestyles. This content covers formulating more complex questions, using demonstrative adjectives and pronouns, including possessive pronouns, the use of the conditional tense, using quantifiers and a wider range of connectives, and learning the subjunctive tense.
Summer	The environment, ecological problems, poverty/homelessness the importance of helping others, holidays and tourism. This content covers the use of the perfect and imperfect tenses, the pluperfect tense, positive and negative expressions, the use of the passive form, the use of further expressions of sequence, spotting useful synonyms, and extending the way you express opinions.

Year 11	Topics covered
Autumn	School life- Current studies, uniform, the school day, school rules and facilities and how to be a good student. This content covers using the imperative, revising the perfect tense, verbs that take the infinitive, and spotting time frames.
Spring	Education post 16, apprenticeships, university, jobs, career choices and ambitions. This content covers using the present subjunctive after expressions of time and in hypothetical situations, using the infinitives of reflexive verbs, using a variety of tenses, and revising adjectives.  Revision and preparation for examinations.
Summer	Revision and preparation for examinations.

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