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MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

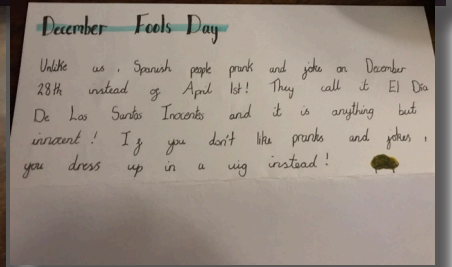
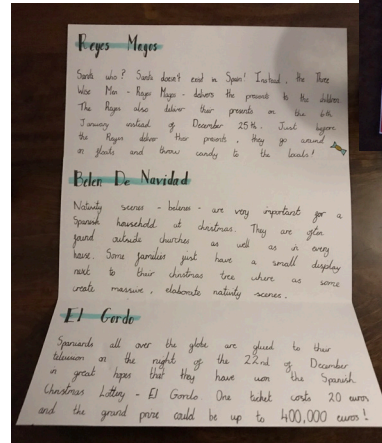
NEWSLETTER

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¡FELIZ AÑO NUEVO! BONNE ANNÉE! FROHES NEUES JAHR! HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you are all safe and well. Another term, but this time starting off with remote learning! We are thrilled to be able to deliver a mixture of live and pre-recorded lessons this term. Please do have a look at the letter we sent out on January 14th which explains how we can support you as a family with MFL remote studies.

Congratulations to Emmie in Y7 for winning December's competition. Here is her fantastic leaflet all about Christmas in Spain. Enjoy spending your Amazon voucher Emmie! Thank you to all students who entered the competition.



OUR SUPERSTAR REMOTE LEARNERS NOMINATED BY THE LANGUAGES STAFF.

We have been very impressed with our linguist's response to remote learning. We've had looms, TEAMS, Kahoot, Linguascope, Smartboards and PowerPoints all being devoured by our students. Each teacher in the department has chosen three QEGS AMAZING students who have really impressed them this half term and those students will receive a golden ticket. Congratulations!

Señora Palmer:

- Elise B (Y10)
- Ava L (Y10)
- Iona P (Y10)

Señora Anstead:

- Shakira H (Y8)
- Annie W (Y10)
- Molly W (Y10)

Señora Izquierdo:

- Hannah B (Y8)
- Ella Rose W (Y9)
- Mae M (Y9)

Señora Sims:

- Caylem M (Y7)
- Yajnish D (Y9)
- Charlotte B (Y9)

Madame Fryer:

- Holly W (Y7)
- Will A (Y9)
- Amélie M (Y12)

Frau Hampson:

- Ewan F (Y7)
- Grace D (Y9)
- Isabel T (Y10)

Frau Hill:

- George M (Y8)
- Ben K (Y8)
- Matilda C (Y8)

MY FIRST ONLINE FRENCH LESSON BY 7yFrT

Esme: I have enjoyed all the activities online!

Emmie: I have loved all the enthusiasm and fun!

Ore: My first online lesson was weird at first because I am used to my teacher talking Spanish and she was talking in French. I enjoyed playing BINGO!

Isabella: I have enjoyed all the fun activities. Especially LOTTO!



FUN FACT

There are over 1000 kinds of sausage in Germany! Do you know any?

USEFUL WEBSITES FOR REMOTE LEARNING:

Please remember that when producing languages work at home there are several useful websites to support and enhance your learning including Linguascope and Wordreference. Mrs Palmer has explained briefly how to use these websites on a loom video which can be found on the recent MFL letter. It is well worth watching this video clip so that you know how to make the most out of the available resources, not only for now but for next term and even next year!



WHY CHOOSE MFL AT GCSE LEVEL BY SOPHIE AND ELISE IN Y10

GCSE Spanish, An Inside Account...

A year ago, we were picking our options, and it was pretty confusing, all the different blocks and subjects, and the pressure of having to choose when you don't really know what you want to do yet. Because of this, we think it's really valuable for you to hear what GCSE Spanish is really like:

Q: Why did you choose Spanish?

We chose Spanish for a number of different reasons. We all see the value of having a language at GCSE and find the subject enjoyable. It is the best place to develop your language skills and it's also a lot of fun! Picking your options can be quite overwhelming, but languages bring variation to your course, and we would definitely recommend taking one.

Q: What are the GCSE Spanish lessons like?

All of us agree that our favourite part of GCSE Spanish is how varied the lessons are. We cover so many different topics, and build on all four language skills equally, so it doesn't get boring. The lessons are really fast-paced, so you'd better be prepared to keep up, but if you miss a piece of vocab you don't have to worry since you will probably come back to it in the future.

Q: How do you hope to use your language skills in the future?

None of us are totally set on what we want to do in the future yet, which is okay, but we agree that our language skills will be useful to us. Whether it's to do with art, travel or just widening your career opportunities, each of us has a future goal that a language can help with. It's also easier to learn other languages once you've learned one!

Q: What skills come in useful for GCSE Spanish?

There's a variety of skills which come in useful in GCSE Spanish, and you definitely shouldn't worry if you don't have all of them because it's a great way to develop these skills as well. Some that we came up with were: imagination, self-confidence and problem solving. When it comes to the actual exams, a good revision strategy is key, but you'll have plenty of time in Years 10 and 11 to find what works for you.

COMPETITION CORNER

What has been your MFL remote learning highlight or best memory so far? Email palmer@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk with your answer. We can't wait to see what has been making you smile!

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

We have been using Kahoot in some of our live lessons to 'liven' it up (excuse the pun) even more! Lots of our students love this activity so watch out for it in your lessons and have fun! Here is the link for a cultural quiz created by our team. Perfect for a family night in! MFL Family Quiz: https://kahoot.it/challenge/01346907?challenge-id=3098da2d-8960-4c2a-8c92-5f2240a0bbbe_1611001072490

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