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Community Languages GCSE

Dear Parent / Carer,

As a school, we provide our Year 10 and 11 students with an opportunity to take a GCSE in a community language.

Students need to have a strong knowledge of the community language in speaking, listening, reading and writing as each skill is equally weighted in the GCSE exam.

This has been a successful initiative with a high percentage of students achieving top grades. Finishing Year 11 with an additional GCSE in a language is extremely advantageous. It may help students to secure a place in a college/6th form of their choice, as well as generate more job opportunities in the future. We are unable to provide any lessons to support students with preparation for the exam; however, we can signpost students to the relevant specifications and past papers. There are no examination costs for students.

Students can be entered for the following community language GCSEs:

Arabic, Bengali, Biblical Hebrew, Chinese (Spoken Mandarin), French, German, Greek, Gujarati, Italian, Japanese, Modern Hebrew, Panjabi, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Turkish and Urdu.

The GCSE comprises of 4 examinations, which are speaking, listening, reading and writing. The exams will take place in early May and June 2024.

Students have been sent an online form to complete in order to express their interest in being entered for a language GCSE. Please discuss this opportunity with your child and encourage them to complete this form if they are interested.

The deadline for students to submit this form is **Friday 18th October 2024**.

Students will be required to sit an internal assessment in order to assess their level in the community language. More information will be sent in due course.

If you have any queries, please email Ms Rafferty or Miss Aslam via info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Kind regards,

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