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**A Level German**

**WILLKOMMEN!**

***What do I need?***

Learning a language can be a lot of fun as well as incredibly rewarding. An interest in people, issues and giving your opinion will serve you well on this course.

A positive approach, a willingness to talk (in German!) and a desire to learn and practise are vital for success.

 You will also need to have obtained at least a Grade C grade at GCSE German.

***How does it work?***

You will have two teachers for A level German.

There are five lessons across the week including study lessons. You will have a regular 20 minute individual speaking session with a German teacher. This is a really good opportunity to develop your speaking and to practise particular elements of the speaking exam.

We study a new range of key themes, through which we develop our knowledge and use of the German language:

**Social issues and trends**

* The family.
* The digital world
* Fashion, music and television
* Immigration, racism, integration

**We will also study a film or a book in Year 12 and study a film as well as a book at Year 13**

**Political and artistic culture**

* Festivals and traditions.
* Art and architecture
* Cultural life in Berlin
* Politics and youth, EU
* German reunification and effects

**Grammar will be taught throughout the course**.

**At A level there will be an individual research project.**

The exam is split into two written papers and a spoken exam which will usually be taken at the end of year 13 as an A level. In certain circumstances it can be taken at the end of year 12 as an AS.

***How will***

***I be assessed?***

**Paper 1** Listening, Reading and Writing - 50% (AS 45 %)

**Paper 2** Writing about a French film or literary text - 20% (AS 25%)

**Paper 3** Speaking - Presentation and discussion - 30%

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***Where can it take***

***me?***

* The ability to speak German will make you very attractive to future employers! Many companies look favourably on applicants who can speak German. It can offer opportunities to travel and to work and live abroad.
* Teaching, hotel and leisure industries, tourism, banking, advertising, journalism, the airline industry, manufacturing and engineering are just some of the careers that favour an employee with another language**.**
* There are many courses at universities that involve studying German. You can study German on its own or as part of a combination with another subject. Studying German at university will also involve a “year abroad” where you get to live and study or work in a German speaking country for a year.

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