

Brae High School



Modern Foreign Languages

Website Booklet

Staff	Mrs Wilkinson (Principal Teacher)	Mrs Wood	Mrs D'Eathe
Subjects Taught	French	German/French	French/Spanish

Courses offered in the Department

Broad General Education

Our BGE course is mainly taught in two languages, allowing pupils to build on prior knowledge from the Primary. Pupils will be able to continue with their language learning in the BGE and study both L2 and L3.

The course enables pupils to:

- develop a secure understanding of how different languages work and how communication is achieved and apply these in different contexts, including the world of work
- engage with others to develop listening and talking skills to effectively communicate in a variety of contexts, including through conversation, paired speaking activities, games and song
- understand and apply knowledge about language to compare spelling patterns and experiment with language, using features of their own language to help understanding
- develop more extended vocabulary to be able to write on a widening range of topics, using a variety of structures and tenses with increased accuracy
- establish firm foundations for further specialist learning
- understand that being able to communicate in another language is an important life skill in today's global market
- research texts to enhance a greater understanding of different cultures and an appreciation of different ways of looking at the world
- apply skills and understanding creatively and logically to enhance literacy
- appreciate how the imaginative and effective use of technologies can enhance the development of skills and concepts

Modern Languages for Life and Work SCQF Level 3 and 4 (French/German/ Spanish)	<p>The main purpose of these awards, done with our S3 classes mainly, is to study one language or two languages in practical and relevant contexts for life and work, and identify, develop and demonstrate employability skills.</p> <p>In particular the Modern Languages for Life and Work award aims to enable learners to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop listening and talking skills in one or two modern languages in the contexts of life and work (including Reading skills at SCQF level 4) • develop knowledge of one or two modern languages in the contexts of life and work • develop employability skills
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Senior Phase

National 4 (French/German/ Spanish)	<p>This course is made up of 3 units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modern Languages: Understanding Language• Modern Languages: Using Language• Added Value Unit: Modern Languages: Assignment <p>National 4 Modern Languages Courses develop literacy skills by giving learners opportunities to read, listen, talk and write in a modern language and to reflect on how this relates to English. These courses enable learners to understand and use a modern language, to apply their knowledge of a modern language, and to develop planning, research and language skills. For more information on National 4 see the https://www.planitplus.net/Nationals (National Qualifications) page.</p>
National 5 (French/German/ Spanish)	<p>This course allows pupils to progress in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modern Languages: Understanding Language• Modern Languages: Using Language• Modern Languages: Course Assessment Assignment-Writing Performance-Talking External examinations in May. <p>National 5 Modern Languages courses develop literacy skills by giving learners opportunities to read, listen, talk and write in a modern language and to reflect on how this relates to English. These courses enable learners to understand and use a modern language, to apply their knowledge of a modern language, and to develop planning, research and language skills. For more information on National 5 see the https://www.planitplus.net/Nationals (National Qualifications) page.</p>
Higher (French/German/ Spanish)	<p>This course consists of two main units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modern Languages: Understanding Language• Modern Languages: Using Language• Modern Languages: Course Assessment Understanding and Using Language assessments Performance - Talking Assignment- Writing External examinations in May. <p>The Higher qualification gives learners the opportunity of reaching a stage where the language is used independently in confident and flexible ways. The course develops communicative competence to a level of some sophistication in a range of situations.</p> <p>Higher Modern Languages courses enable learners to read, listen, talk and write in a modern language, and to understand and use a modern language. Learners also develop language skills of translation and apply knowledge and understanding of a modern language.</p> <p>For more information on Higher Modern Languages see the https://www.planitplus.net/Nationals (National Qualifications) page.</p>

Advanced Higher (French/German) Spanish	<p>The Advanced Higher qualification in Modern Languages develops sophisticated abilities in using the language independently. The course offers learners the opportunity of developing their language skills within the contexts of personal, social and cultural issues, topical and cultural issues, and environmental issues.</p> <p>For more information on Advanced Higher see the https://www.planitplus.net/Nationals (National Qualifications) page.</p>
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