



Department: Modern Languages

Overview: Years 7 to 9

In years 7 to 9, Broomfield pupils are taught Spanish vocabulary and grammar. They learn how to construct sentences, read increasingly complex authentic passages, listen to native speakers and speak Spanish with confidence. They are fully prepared to take on the challenges of GCSE by the time they complete the course using Mira. They are taught in designated language classrooms by experts in the subject. They have access to online material which supports them in their homework and provides them with additional grammar, listening and reading material.

Pupils are expected to learn vocabulary each week and show their learning in a short test in class. They are also given written exercises to complete independently. Broomfield pupils really enjoy their Spanish lessons.

Assessment

Pupils are assessed every half term via end of topic test or a past paper. Pupils will be given some vocabulary support in order to prepare for past paper practice and they will enjoy making progress using these benchmarks.

Assessment takes place part way through and at the end of each half term. Assessments may feature content previously covered or some surprise elements that pupils have to deduce, in order to prepare them for the new linear examinations.

Grouping & Setting

In Year 7, pupils are placed into groups based on their progress assessed throughout the year and on end of year tests. In Years 8-9 pupils are taught in sets. These sets are reviewed each half term after end of unit tests. Teaching and learning is differentiated, in both lessons and homework to help all pupils reach the full potential. Intervention groups are available for all pupils, G&T or those not achieving their target grades in order to maximise their performance in examinations.

Support/ Revision/ Extra Curricular and Useful Websites

- BBC Bitesize, CGP KS3 revision book, kerboodle, Active learning. www.languagesonline.org.uk
- Pupils will have the opportunity to participate in supportive Spanish practice sessions which are held at lunchtime.