

Department Title: MFL—Italian

Exam Boards: AQA

Department Vision:

At Beths Grammar School we teach students how to communicate with us and their peers in the target language. It is really important to us that students are able to express themselves, and students thrive on doing so. Communicating in the MFLs often leads to points in class competitions and the awarding of commendations.

Learning a language is about speaking, writing, reading and listening in it, however, it is also about studying and appreciating other cultures. For this reason, students indulge in cultural units, opening their eyes and minds to new ideas and concepts from around the world. We run and take part in a variety of extra-curricular activities and events throughout the year ranging from Language and Cultural Week in September to International Bake Off, to various competitions such as a Year 9 speaking one on Fair Trade.

Year 8: Term 1

Topic 1 Greetings

Topic 2 Family

Topic 3 Descriptions of personality and appearance

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Year 8: Term 2

Topic 1 Sports

Topic 2 Hobbies and other leisure activities

Topic 3 Describing your home

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Year 8: Term 3

Topic 1 Describing your local area

Topic 2 Famous Italian cities and landmarks

Topic 3 Project work on Italy

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Year 9: Term 1

Topic 1 Daily routine

Topic 2 Household chores

Topic 3 Italian celebrations

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Year 9: Term 2

Topic 1 School subjects + opinions

Topic 2 The school building

Topic 3 School rules

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Year 9: Term 3

Topic 1 Types of holiday

Topic 2 Holiday activities

Topic 3 Problems on holiday

Homework: Vocab. learning

Assessment: Vocabulary, reading, listening, translation, speaking, writing

Assessment:

KS3: 3 Times a year (October, February and May/June), students are testing on the skills of reading, listening, speaking and translation. Twice a year (December and April), students are testing on writing through extended pieces.

Reading list/Useful websites:

www.duolingo.com

www.lyricstraining.com

www.babadum.com

www.languagesonline.com

Related Careers:

Interpreter

Translator

Lawyer

Broadcast journalist

International aid/development worker

Advertising and marketing executive

Sales executive

Diplomatic service officer