

**Subject:** GCSE SPANISH

**Examination Board:** AQA

**Syllabus:** AQA Spanish

**Topics covered:**

Identity and Culture; Local, National, International and Global areas of interest; Current and Future Study and Employment (these topics will be covered across years 10 and 11)

**Grammar taught during the GCSE will include:**

- Revision of the Present tense in regular and irregular verbs
- Revision of the Preterite tense in regular and irregular forms
- Revision of Future tenses - both the immediate future and future with 'will' - regular and irregular verbs
- Conditional mood
- Imperfect tense
- Perfect tense
- Recognition of the present subjunctive

**Skills Developed:**

- Listening, speaking, reading and writing in Spanish
- Translation into and out of Spanish
- A wider awareness of Spanish life and culture

**Grades available in this academic year and brief explanation:**

- Students will be assessed according to the new GCSE mark schemes in writing and speaking
- They will be assessed regularly in all skills; listening, reading, writing, speaking, and translation, using end of unit tests and graded according to GCSE criteria.

**Support Material:**

- Textbook is 'AQA Spanish GCSE'.
- Access also to the Kerboodle on-line textbook
- Year 10 Spanish additional materials are in the Curriculum Shared Area and updated regularly.
- Suggested websites include:

[www.memrise.com](http://www.memrise.com)

[www.oye.languageskills.co.uk/index.html](http://www.oye.languageskills.co.uk/index.html) - for revision of basic language

[www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/)

[www.mtv.es/](http://www.mtv.es/) - Listen to music and read Spanish for fun.

[www.rtve.es](http://www.rtve.es) - Online Spanish TV

**What you could do to support your daughter:**

- She should have a bilingual dictionary for use at home and at school to find more unusual and original vocabulary. This includes nouns, adjectives and linking words. She needs to write and speak in longer sentences and also be more independent in her approach than at Key Stage 3.
- You could ask her to learn 20 of her own new words every week and test her over breakfast!
- Encourage her to listen and read Spanish for pleasure, by tuning into Spanish radio or trying one of the websites mentioned previously. There are Spanish magazines in the school library and in the languages lab with games and activities