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Dear Year 7 Students (and Parents for information).

SECOND LANGUAGE CHOICE IN YEAR 8

At this point in Year 7 we ask you to consider your option choice for your second language in Year 8. In Year 7 you have studied German, Spanish and Latin as part of your curriculum. In Year 8 you continue with **one** of German, Spanish or Latin or you may choose to study Classical Civilisation instead. A description of each subject is attached. French remains the compulsory first modern foreign language so you will study your second language alongside this.

Tomorrow you will be having an assembly about this and from **Friday 18 March 9.00am** onwards, you will be able to enter your Year 8 Second Language Option Choices via a Microsoft form at this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/yMr3zXkQhm>. It is important that you, having discussed it with your parents, enter your choices **by 9.00am on Monday 21 March** at which time access to the form will be closed. Immediately thereafter we will start processing the requests and making decisions about numbers for each subject.

Due to constraints of set size and staffing, we cannot guarantee that each boy will be given his first choice. It is therefore vital that you think carefully about your order of preference. If you genuinely do not mind which language you study as your first choice, you should put the number 1 by your first two choices then 2 and 3 by the remaining subjects in order of preference.

If a subject is likely to be run as only one set and is oversubscribed, places will be allocated based on teacher assessment from the lessons and highest results of any tests. If a subject runs as two or more sets and is oversubscribed, places will be allocated at random. Boys who are unable to study their first choice will be allocated their second choice wherever possible. This process is the fairest available and allows the vast majority of boys to study their first choice.

Yours sincerely

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