# **NEWPORT GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL**

# **KS4 Curriculum Overview**

### **Curriculum Intent & Organisation**

We have successfully followed the AQA GCSE course in the German department for many years and teachers are experienced in the course content and examination expectations. Students can achieve grades 4-9 in the higher tier and most students are expected to be awarded the higher grades. Lessons are taught within mixed ability groups.

Examination Information	EBACC?	P8 Bucket
Option subject examined end of Year 11 with no	Yes	EBACC
controlled assessment		

# **Impact of Prior Learning from KS3**

All skills learnt in years 7-8 are practised and developed – listening, speaking, reading, writing and translation.

### **Equipment Required for this course**

- School provides text books and exercise books as well as additional revision booklets and resources
- A German-English dictionary would provide useful support
- Students may also wish to purchase Revision Guides (eg, Letts, CGP etc)

Curriculum Implementation - Areas of Focus Year 9			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
<ul> <li>Media – Tv, film, music, reading materials, past activities</li> <li>Revision of present and perfect tenses and weil</li> <li>Introduction of future tense and conditional</li> <li>Adjectives, time phrases and reinforcement of subordinate word order</li> <li>School – comparison of adjectives, modal verbs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Future career plans</li> <li>Recognising &amp; using different time frames together</li> <li>Modal verbs in the imperfect tense</li> <li>Further consolidation of the future tense</li> <li>Comparison of adjectives and the superlative</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Travel</li> <li>Different countries, reflexive verbs</li> <li>Use of wenn sentences</li> <li>Family, possessive pronouns</li> <li>Reinforcement of conditional</li> </ul>	
Curriculum Implementation – Areas of Focus Year 10			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
<ul> <li>School – talking about uniform and subjects. Revision of pencil case items</li> <li>Freetime activities and leisure including music and reading</li> <li>Revision of future tense</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relationships and family, Ideal partners, describing dream wedding</li> <li>Imperfect modals, ich musste, ich wollte</li> <li>Mit+dative</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>House and home including revision of meals and food</li> <li>Revision of all tenses &amp; using them together</li> <li>Dual case prepositions Reflexive and separable verbs</li> </ul>	

Curriculum Implementation - Areas of Focus Year 11			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
<ul> <li>Holidays,planning a holiday travelling, including problems encountered.</li> <li>Preparation for Speaking Mock</li> <li>Umzu,ohnezu, modal verbs man könnte/ man sollte</li> <li>Pluperfect tense</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Talking about the world of work of employment</li> <li>Global issues eg unemployment environment</li> <li>Revision of jobs masculine and feminine forms, coordinating conjunctions Revision of comparisons and superlatives</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revision &amp; preparation for examinations.</li> <li>Conducting of oral examinations</li> </ul>	

### **Impact / Outcomes**

Learning will be assessed throughout the course by:

- Fortnightly vocabulary testing
- Regular homework tasks
- End of module assessments focussing on two skills each time (Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing)
- End of year examinations
- Year II mock examinations in all skills

#### Homework

Vocabulary & grammar learning, reading and writing tasks including translations, preparation for assessments, online activities (listening, reading, vocab), research into aspects of German culture

## Ways to support learning

- Revise old vocab and grammar regularly, eg with conjugation apps
- Take every opportunity to find, learn and use new vocabulary regularly
- Follow the faculty's Twitter and Instagram pages for tips and interesting activities
- Quizlet, Memrise or Duolingo for vocab
- For listening: Lyrics training, German films on Netflix (etc),
- Linguascope (intermediate) fun
- Exam practice: Bitesize <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zhsvr82">http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zhsvr82</a>, Eduqas practice papers (even though it's a different board, the content is the same)
- Slow German news
- Practice speaking with German assistant
- CGP revision guides, especially if they come with listening tracks

### Field Work / Extension / Enrichment Opportunities

- Bi-annual trip to Berlin(summer 2020) visiting museums, the zoo and shopping
- Various competitions open to linguists, eg Christmas Card competition (Routes into languages), Oxford university essay competitions etc

#### **Next Steps**

A good grade at GCSE is essential for continued study at A-level. The GCSE course offers invaluable grammar preparation as well as skills development such as listening and reading comprehension, translation, extended writing and speaking.

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