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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 9 Language Choices RNST

I am writing to invite you and your child to make language choices for Year 9.

Currently, almost all students learn two foreign languages. However, your child has the option to reduce this to one foreign language in Year 9. The lessons no longer taken up by language learning will be used to provide additional work in numeracy and literacy. There is no change to the school's policy of making a language a core part of the Key Stage 4 curriculum, so those students who only take one language in Year 9 will continue with it to GCSE.

If your child takes only one language in year 8, they will continue with that language into Year 9.

We are very proud of the school's specialist tradition in this field, and believe strongly that students should have the option to continue with both languages into Year 9. Therefore, your child does not have to drop to one language at the end of Year 8, but is free to continue as they are at present. Students continuing with two languages will be able to narrow down to one as part of their GCSE options or pursue both into Year 10.

Your child has already been given information about these options and had the opportunity to discuss the process with their language teachers.

If you have any further questions regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Please inform the school of your decision using this Google Form by 15 June 2026.

Kind regards,

S.R. Lutz (Mrs)
Head of Languages

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