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Dear Parent/Carer and German Linguist

Welcome to your German GCSE Course!

The Modern Foreign Languages Department is delighted to welcome you on our German Edexcel GCSE Course. We are very excited at the prospect of teaching you this year.

The Programme of Study will be based on the Edexcel German GCSE Textbook covering topics about Self, Family and Friends, Free time, Local Area, Going out and Education. In Year Eleven, you will cover World of Work, Tourism, Lifestyle and the Environment.

In order to further the learning in the classroom by studying essential materials at home, we would like to give you the opportunity to purchase this textbook at the discounted price of £8.50, (rrp. £16.99). A textbook will be available in lessons but students will not be able to take them home. Purchasing this book will most definitely be invaluable for making notes, enhancing understanding of written texts and to consolidate independent learning at home with the view to preparing draft coursework. At the end of the course we will buy back the book for £3.50 provided it is in very good condition and no annotations have been made into the book. If you wish to purchase this textbook, please complete the slip below and return to the Finance Office by Wednesday 14 September.

For your information, Edexcel's skills weighting is structured as follows:

- Listening and Reading: 20% each of the overall grade.
- Speaking and Writing (Coursework): 30% each of the overall grade.

Linguists can mix and match tiers to suit and personalise their ability per skill.

Whilst grammatical and conjugational terminology and concepts will be consolidated over the two-year course, we would recommend some revision with an excellent site: www.languagesonline.org.uk. This will refresh your memory on purposes and structures for tenses especially. Furthermore, a plethora of drilling exercises will also be a very useful means of practice... which makes perfect!

Yours sincerely

Miss L – E. Fabre
Subject Leader - Modern Foreign Languages

Year 10 GCSE German

- I have paid via the Tring School Internet System
- I enclose a cheque for £8.50 made payable to Tring School

Student Name:..... Form:.....

Signed:.....Parent/Carer

