

## Top five reasons to learn German

- It is the most desirable foreign language for employers in Britain: talented German speakers earn a premium for being in short supply. Stand out from the crowd.
- German verbs and pronunciation are relatively straightforward for English speakers and the grammar is logical, much like Latin. There are far fewer tenses than in Romance languages.
- Are you interested in engineering? Pharmaceuticals? Philosophy? Music and literature? History? Football? Countless influential companies and cultural giants have German roots.
- You can have great holidays in Germany, Austria and Switzerland and get to know the largest group of native speakers of any language in the EU.
- It is a great misconception that Germans are too serious. The German department is "serious about fun" and organises a range of events at Radley each term to bring the culture to life.

## Top five reasons to learn French

- French and English are the only languages spoken on five continents. More than 300 million people across the world speak French.
- French is extremely useful for international business and politics: organisations like NATO, the United Nations and the International Olympics Committee all use French as an official language.
- The ability to speak both French and English is an advantage for finding a job with the many multinational companies in a wide range of sectors that use French as a working language.
- French is the international language of cooking, fashion, theatre, the visual arts, dance and architecture. The language provides access to great works of literature as well as films and songs.
- France is the world's top tourist destination and attracts over 90 million visitors a year. The ability to speak even a little French makes it more enjoyable to visit French-speaking countries.

## Top five reasons to learn Spanish

- Spanish is the second most widely spoken language in the whole world. There are over 470 million native speakers of Spanish alone.
- Do you like to travel? Spanish is the official language in 21 countries across the world not only incredible countries in Central and South America, but also easily accessible and diverse Spain.
- Spanish is a phonetic language, which means that you spell words as you hear them. You do not have the same *where/wear* or *hare/hair* issues that complicate English.
- Do you want to be highly employable? With a huge number of emerging markets in Central and South America, large trading companies are extremely keen to employ linguists.
- Hispanic cultures around the world boast an incredible range of music, gastronomy, dances and festivals.