



## **SPANISH AT GCSE LEVEL**

### **HOW CAN I SUPPORT MY SON/DAUGHTER THROUGH YEAR 11 AND 12**

This little leaflet is laid out in such a way that hopefully you can see how the GCSE Spanish exam works. Often, you, as a parent, are overloaded with information about exams, modules etc. Hopefully this little sheet will help.

**The pupils study and are assessed in 4 SKILLS :**  
**LISTENING, SPEAKING, READING, WRITING all equally assessed at 25%**

	<i><b>LISTENING</b></i>	<i><b>SPEAKING</b></i>	<i><b>READING</b></i>	<i><b>WRITING</b></i>
YEAR 11	<p>We have started to practice past papers at foundation level.</p> <p>It is fundamental that pupils work on their vocabulary in order to improve in this skill.</p> <p>No exam until May 2019.</p>	<p>We have started to work on the roleplay and conversation aspects of this skill.</p> <p>For the mock in December, the pupils did both of these.</p> <p>No exam until May 2019.</p>	<p>We have started to practice past papers at foundation level.</p> <p>The reading paper is available to do this year. To be decided as a class next week whether to enter for this skill.</p> <p>The date of the exam is 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018.</p>	<p>The writing paper is available to do this year. To be decided as a class next week whether to enter for this skill.</p> <p>The date of the exam is 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018.</p> <p>Focus is needed on grammar particularly for this skill and pupils are given homework on their knowledge of grammar.</p>
YEAR 12	Exam in May 2019	Exam in May 2019	FEB/MARCH 2019, the decision is made whether the entry will be Foundation or Higher.	FEB/MARCH 2019, the decision is made whether the entry will be Foundation or Higher.

*Learning vocabulary* in small chunks frequently is more important than sitting studying for hours on end. Your son/ daughter will have been given lots of vocabulary lists {in context too} to learn for frequent vocabulary tests. *Remember that HCC operates a facility whereby all pupils can stay in school to study after school.*

CEA is the name of the examining board that we use for Spanish GCSE and you can consult the following page:

<http://www.rewardinglearning.org.uk/microsites/Spanish/gcse/index.a>