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Dear Parent/Guardian

## **MES Linguacuisine House Challenge**

Combining technology: languages; culture and cuisine

The MFL Department will be running an exciting event called MES Linguacuisine House Challenge, open to all students in Years 7 to 10. The aim of this challenge is to inspire students (and their parents or guardians) to use and develop their current target language learning while cooking delicious meals from either Spain, France or Germany.

The challenge is for students to make and photograph a meal from either Spain, France or Germany from the Linguacuisine app and to submit the photo along with their chosen recipe to the MFL House Challenge Google Classroom. A recipe template card will be provided on Google Classroom to assist them.

Linguacuisine is a task-based language learning software which enables students to develop additional competencies in their foreign language(s). You can find further information about this European project here: <u>https://linguacuisine.com/</u>

The Linguacuisine app is an excellent way of getting students to immerse and engage with the language that they are learning in school by using all their senses (touch, smell, sight, hearing and taste), communicating with others in their family and developing digital skills. We hope that it will be a fun and enriching multi-sensory experience for both your child and the adults.

Using the free Linguacuisine website or app, your child chooses a recipe that is written in the target language (choosing either French, Spanish or German) and cook up a sumptuous dish whilst practising their language! The Linguacuisine app contains video tutorial recipes submitted by participants from all over the world who will demonstrate how to cook a recipe of their country of origin and give simple instructions in their native tongue.

To participate, you and your child will need to go to the Linguacuisine website <u>https://linguacuisine.com/</u> or download the free app from Google Play or the App Store via their phone's app store. If your child is using a smartphone or tablet, it will speak to them in the foreign language and talk them through all the stages of cooking the recipe. If there are words that cannot be understood, there is a help button to access the full recipe.

**Disclaimer**: Students who wish to participate in this House Challenge must have a responsible adult to supervise them when cooking. This is for their safety when using kitchen utensils, the oven or cooker. We hope this may also provide the chance for students to connect and spend time together with their family, where they can enjoy participating in this challenge, cook up a nice dish together and learn a language at the same time.

The Linguacuisine Challenge begins on Thursday 25 June until Friday 10 July.

We look forward to receiving your entries to the MFL House Challenge on Google Classroom (code: **nspynjf**) by Friday 10 July. We hope you and your child will enjoy participating in this tasty challenge. For further details on how to participate, please see the MFL House Challenge Google Classroom post or the attached document.

If you wish to read any further information about the project, you can find additional details here: <a href="https://linguacuisine.com/5194-2/">https://linguacuisine.com/5194-2/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/">https://linguacuisine.com/5194-2/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/">https://linguacuisine.com/5194-2/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/">https://linguacuisine.com/5194-2/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/">https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/">https://www.facebook.com/Linguacuisine/</a>

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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