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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Additional Languages, GCSE and A Level Summer 2025 Entries

Each year we enter a small number of our students for language qualifications that the student hasn't studied in their curriculum at school. For example, a student may be fluent in Polish because it's spoken and written at home and they wish to gain a GCSE or A Level qualification to demonstrate this.

A student may be entered for an additional language qualification even if they have chosen to not study a language with us.

This academic year 2024-25 we will not enter students for additional language qualifications at the same times as their curriculum GCSE/A Levels. This is following student feedback on additional language clashes with GCSEs and A Levels which over the last three academic years has been disruptive to their examination experience. This means that:

For summer 2025, students in Yr10 and Yr12 may request entry for an additional language GCSE or A Level.

Where an additional language is to be requested, please research the GCSE or A Level language specifications currently available from AQA, Pearson Edexcel and OCR before requesting entry and note that these are offered as foreign language qualifications, not first language qualifications. All specifications may be found on examination boards' websites.

It is important to understand that Maiden Erlegh School will not be responsible for the tuition or preparation of your child for additional language examinations; we will process the entry for your child and will be the examination centre.

Additional language qualifications are not part of your child's school curriculum and so we would charge you the fee levied by examination board and the associated examination invigilation costs.

Attached to this letter is a copy of last year's form to give you some idea of prices, the additional languages available, and the regulations and your responsibilities regarding the speaking test examiner.



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An updated request form for summer 2025 exams will be available on request from the exams office from **Monday 9 December 2024**. The deadline for submission of a completed form back to the exams office and payment in Parent Pay Shop, will be **Wednesday 15 January 2025**

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Ali Came, Exams Officer.

Yours sincerely



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Deputy Head



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