



From: MFL Coordinator: Alexandra C v Widdern



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Dear Parents / Guardians,

### **Joint Sixth Form MFL Society Annual Dinner and Cultural Evening**

The joint Modern Foreign Language Society is pleased to invite your son to the first event of the academic year. As a means of marking the European Day of Languages, Sixth Form linguists at St Helen's and Abingdon School will come together to enjoy a culturally entertaining evening on Thursday 26 September.

The event will begin promptly at 6pm in the Science Atrium at St Helen's with refreshments before the talk, followed by a delicious three-course dinner in the Atrium. Our speaker will be Dr Charlotte Ryland, who teaches German at the University of Oxford and specialises in translation. The content of the talk should enlighten and appeal to all linguists, given the wide scope of the topic; students will be invited to ask questions following the talk.

The cost of the evening will be £20 per head which will be added to your school bill. Students will be required to wear smart attire (suits/evening dresses). If your son would like to attend this event, please complete the [electronic response form](#) by Monday 16 September.

Further events this term will be a day at Bath University on Friday 8 November to experience the study of languages and European Studies at university level and to consider the use of languages in future employment as well as the MFL Debating Competition at Cheltenham College on Wednesday 27 November in which Abingdon students traditionally do very well. Preparations in weekly debating sessions have now started. We do hope that your son will be keen to support these joint society events this year. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me ([Alexandra.widdern@abingdon.org.uk](mailto:Alexandra.widdern@abingdon.org.uk)).

Yours sincerely

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