

From the Curriculum Director: Oliver Lomax

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Dear First Year Parents.

Second Year Modern Foreign Language Options

As you know, the first years at Abingdon study both French and German over the course of the year. In the 2nd year, students study only **one** of these two languages so your child now needs to choose which one to pursue.

When they reach the third year, as well as continuing with their chosen language, they will have the option of picking up one or two additional new languages from German, Spanish or Chinese, if they wish. This means that it is usually possible to drop German now, but pick it up again in the 3rd year. Note that this is not usually the case for French.

Although Abingdonians are not required to study more than one modern foreign language in the third year, it is the case that the majority do so.

Please talk about the choice with your child over the coming week and do get in touch with their language teacher for advice if you would like. If you have any further queries at this stage, you could also contact the Modern Languages Coordinator, Nathan Brittain (nathan.brittain@abingdon.org.uk).

Once the decision has been made, please complete this online form at by **Friday 25 June**: https://forms.gle/ArHPskKiNjCML7Rv7

Yours sincerely

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