



7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

### **MFL Mock Speaking Assessments**

I am writing to inform you of the MFL mock speaking assessments that will be taking place over the next two weeks. Students studying French or Italian will have their assessment on either Monday 11<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Those students studying Spanish will complete their assessment on either Friday 15<sup>th</sup> or Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Students have been informed by their class teacher of the date and time of their individual assessment; it is important that they arrive at the time given to the assessment room. We understand that students can become anxious, particularly regarding speaking exams. This mock assessment will allow them to practise these skills and gain confidence in the test environment ahead of their final exams in the Summer term. It is, therefore, imperative that students take the assessment seriously both in terms of their preparation and conduct.

Students have been provided with General Conversations booklets and knowledge organisers to prepare carefully their answers to questions on the different topics of Theme 1 and 2 of the GCSE, covered so far. Speaking classes were organised for students to attend, for practice in smaller groups.

### **JCQ regulations During the mock assessment**

These mock assessments will be conducted in accordance with the JCQ test requirements and regulations. As such, students must not discuss this assessment with anyone who has not yet taken the assessment or share information in any way including on the internet/social media. Please find attached the AQA MFL Speaking tests Warning to Candidates notice.

Yours faithfully

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Head of MFL Department



# Modern Foreign Languages Speaking Tests

## Warning to candidates notice

You must not:

- become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice in any part of this assessment
- discuss this assessment with anyone who has not yet taken the assessment
- share information about this assessment in any way, including on the internet/social media.

Sharing information about Speaking tests can create an unfair assessment and could impact on your grades in this exam. Failing to report to your teacher any assessment-related information being shared may also lead to a malpractice investigation which could result in:

- a loss of marks for this component
- a disqualification from this component or the entire qualification
- a ban from sitting exams for a set period of time.

AQA monitors social media and student websites for evidence of malpractice.

Remember: treat the Speaking tests as confidential.  
Keep things fair for everyone.