**Subject: Modern Languages** 

Level: N5

Course Contents and Components	Tips for Success /study approaches
The four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing are tested in the Modern Language being studied. Each skill is worth 25%.  The speaking and one of the two written papers are done in class. The job letter, which is the writing which is done in the final exam, is preprepared and pupils will score well on this by memorising the letter ahead of the exam.  The speaking exam consists of a presentation with a follow-up conversation and pupils will be given the opportunity to have a run through — with feedback - ahead of the exam to ensure a solid performance on the day.	<ul> <li>Come to class with all of the materials required for the lesson, including the vocabulary booklet.</li> <li>Do homework on time and take on board any feedback given. Homework is issued weekly and essential for successful completion of the course.</li> <li>Use Scholar for extra practice as this website is tailor made to the requirements of the N5 exam.</li> <li>Learn vocabulary each week, this will ensure a more confident performance in all skills.</li> <li>Use the look, cover, check method for memorising vocabulary.</li> <li>Use a dictionary at home to complete reading and writing activities.</li> <li>Practise doing reading past papers in timed conditions – one hour for the reading paper, or 20 minutes per question.</li> <li>Do not use google translate, this is often inaccurate and counterproductive to improving writing skills.</li> </ul>

## **Key Dates**

The internal writing exam is currently being prepared by some S4 classes, for others this will be done after the October holidays. Another chance to do the writing will be offered before the Christmas holidays if a pupil has been unsuccessful with the first writing assignment. The prelim speaking exam will be either the week before or the week after the prelim diet in November, this will be decided in due course by each class teacher.

Final speaking exams are undertaken between mid- February and early March.