



The South Wolds
Academy
and Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Carer

Languages at South Wolds

My name is Carol Shardlow and I am the Deputy Headteacher at South Wolds with responsibility for planning the curriculum and options process. It is a great pleasure to welcome you, on behalf of the Academy, to the South Wolds family. I will be working with you over the next seven years to ensure that your child has access to a curriculum that is stimulating and relevant to their desires and needs.

Many of you will have children who have had experience of learning a foreign language at their primary school or may have spoken a foreign language due to your family background. This will have been valuable experience of the skills necessary to acquire a foreign language and the structures that underpin all languages. At South Wolds students will study 2 from French, German and Spanish in Year 7. **It is not necessary for them to have studied any language previously as all the courses (including Fristory) build skills and content from an elementary level.**

Please reply to this email if you have a preference for **one of the languages** that your son/daughter will study by **Friday 25th June**, (we cannot guarantee allocating more than one language of choice). If you have no strong preference for your child's foreign languages you need not respond. We will use this information to plan languages provision.

South Wolds runs a unique programme of bi-lingual learning called 'Fristory' in which students are taught History in the French language. This has proved highly enjoyable and successful over the past twelve years. Places are limited however so; if you are interested in finding out more about 'Fristory', please read the attached leaflet. If you need more information please contact Miss Crawford - lcrawford@southwolds.notts.sch.uk. If you would like your child to be considered for 'Fristory', please also let us know by replying to this email by **Friday 25th June**. If your child is included in the 'Fristory' group they will automatically study French and Spanish.

Thanks for taking the time to read this letter. I very much look forward to working with you over the coming years.

Yours sincerely

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